

Province, by such a timely exertion of force as the occasion may require; for which purpose you will make the proper application to General Gage, or Lord Colville, Commander of His Majesty's land and naval forces in America. For however unwillingly His Majesty may consent to the exertion of such powers as may endanger the safety of a single subject, yet can he not permit his own dignity and the authority of the British Legislature to be trampled on by force and violence, and in avowed contempt of all order, duty, and decorum.

If the subject is aggrieved, he knows in what manner legally and constitutionally to apply for relief; but it is not suitable either to the safety or dignity of the British Empire that any individuals under the pretence of redressing grievances should presume to violate the public peace.

I am, with great truth and regard, Sir,

Your most obedient and humble serv^t

H. S. Conway

[Hamersley to Sharpe.]

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Hon^d S^r

Lord Baltimore having done me the honor of Appointing me Secretary of the Province of Maryland, upon the Vacancy occasioned by M^r Calverts death, you will permit me to embrace the first opportunity of renewing an old Acquaintance and Opening a Correspondence, which, I hope, will prove equally agreeable to his Lordship, and his Tenants. My Appointment by his Lordships direction comes Enclosed under this Cover, and I am to Entreat you to give the proper directions for its being Registred in the Council Books, and otherwise bestowed in the usual manner.

At his Lordships desire I have renewed the Deputation to M^r Dulany, upon the same terms it was granted by M^r Calvert, and have forwarded it to him by the present opportunity. Be pleased to Present my Compliments, and best Services, to M^r Loyd, the Comissary, and Judges of the Land Office, from whom I am to expect the same payments, as were made to M^r Calvert, unless his Lordship shall at any time think proper to Alter them, and I sh^d esteem it as a particular favor to be honoured with a Line from those Gentⁿ, when Convenient. Lord Baltimore co^d wish to be furnished with the heads of all your Subsisting Instructions, (as it may be difficult to Collect them from M^r Calverts Papers) in order to their being methodized and reduced into a Regular System, and If you co^d accompany them with your Sentiments, it wo^d be still more agreeable I am so new in Office, that I have no further business to trouble you with; Permit me only to express my hope that I