ern Department is said to be one that opposed that Act the Letter Bk.IV Inhabitants of the Colonies entertain very sanguine Expectations that it will be soon repealed & in the mean time seem determined to oppose its being carried into Execution. The Commissioners appointed to have the Dividing Lines run between Pennsylvania & this Province being to meet at York Town in Pennsylvania the 16th of this Month in order to see how Mess<sup>rs</sup> Mason & Dixon have run the East & West Line which it seems they have extended so far as the North Mountain I propose as Nothing of Consequence is likely to come before the Upper House very soon to be myself at the Meet-M<sup>r</sup> Calvert having intimated to me in a Letter I had the satisfaction to receive from him two Days ago that Your Ldp has some Thoughts of taking a Voyage next Summer to America in order to Visit Your Province I have desired him in case Your Ldp should resolve to do so to inform me as

## [Sharpe to Calvert.]

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soon as possible when you may be expected here that I may in time provide for Your Ldp's Reception & Accommodation; If Your Ldp should undertake the Voyage I most sincerely wish you a quick & agreeable passage; I shall rejoice to receive Your Ldp here in good health, & in the mean time

Copy of 143d Letter to Mr Calvert dated the 11th Novr 1765 Sir

In the Letters I addressed to His Ldp & yourself the 2d & 3<sup>d</sup> of last month I advised you of the necessity I had been under of meeting the Assembly on the 23d of Septr of the Upper Houses having concurred with a proposal of the Lower for sending three of their Members to New York & of my having at the particular desire of the Lower House & by the Advice of the Upper prorogued the Assembly to the 30th of last Month. During their Recess I received a Letter from Capt Hawker of His Majesty's Ship Sardoine then at Anchor in Delaware informing me that he had received from on board the Ship Charlotte lately arrived in that River a quantity of Stampt paper destined for this Province & should be ready to deliver it to my Order. Having submitted his Letter to the perusal of the Gentlemen of the Council & taken there Advice thereon I on the 25th of last Month returned the Answer of which you will see a Copy inclosed, & when the Assembly met the Beginning of this Month I submitted Captain Hawkers Letter to their Consideration also & desired to know what they would advise me to do in Consequence of the Application made to me, for as I had the greatest reason to