

to the Malt Act at that Town when it was first extended to Scotland after the union & what was likewise Proposed to have been done in the year 1740 to Edinburgh in affair of Porteous. It was objected that this Resolution condemned the Colonies unheard but it was answered they would have full opportunity to offer every thing upon the return to the Resolution.

If I have troubled you with more of the Arguments in disfavor than in favor of the Americans you will not Impute it to any partiality for that side of the Question but to a desire to Communicate what could be said for it the other side was too well supported in America for any thing new to be said here for it. As to what passed in the Commons they have throughout the business shut their doors against all strangers and in writing to your Excellency I co^d not venture to offer any thing but what I heard with my own Ears.

I should have acquainted you before that the first Resolution asserting the Sovereignty of the British Legislature was assented to without a Division in the Commons & in the Lords the Dissentients were only Five to 125.

M^r Penn has furnished me with a Copy of the Proceedings of the Commissioners for Running the Lines of 16 & 18 Nov^r last by which his Lordship observes the great progress made in that work and that the Commissioners have Adjourned to 20 March to give the Surveyors an opportunity of Erecting the Stones sent from hence in the Tangent Line. There are 50 more ready w^{ch} we hope to send you in April. M^r Penn seems desirous his Lordship should give his Commiss^{rs} directions to Proceed to the Completion of the work beyond the Extent of the Agreement but this must wait till the Business comes properly represented from yourself.

M^r Loyd has at last remitted my Lord £10,000 in Bills but his Accounts are not arrived and I am sorry to find his Lordship's Chagrin and uneasiness still continue.

I have his Lordships directions to send you the Enclosed Letters from Lord Strafford the one addressed to myself & the other in an open Cover to M^r Baxter at Baltimore Town. You see what his Lordship desires and will please to take Such order about it as you think proper, he seems to think M^r Calvert has already troubled you about the Business.

As our Tributary Arrows are almost Exhausted I am to request a fresh Supply when convenient am with the greatest respect.

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Yo^r Excellency's

Most Obed^t & Ever Faithfull Hble Serv^t
Hugh Hamersley

Serj^{ts} Inn,
20th Feb^{ry} 1766.