the Question or shall choose to do so I should be much obliged Letter Bk. IV to you if His Ldp approves thereof for sending me by the earliest Opportunity such Opinion & the State on which it may be given so that I may have something to shew in support of His Ldp's Claim.

I am &c.

## [Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Copy of a Letter to Lord Baltimore Dated the 29th May 1766.
My Lord

I now do myself the honour to acknowledge the Receipt of your Ldps Favour dated the 23d of Febry together with the Picture & Arms you have been pleased to send us for the Council Chamber &c & the Box of Plate your Ldp is so kind as to make me a Present of, & which as a gracious Testimony of your Ldp's Approbation & Regard I accept with the most. sensible pleasure & Gratitude Mr Jordan having arrived here on Saturday the 17th Inst. produced to Mr Dulany & Me on the Monday following the Commission & Instructions by which your Ldp is pleased to impower Us to call for examine & adjust the Accounts of your Agent & Receiver General, to fix on, & prescribe a Mode & Regulation for examining & adjusting the Agents Accounts annually for the future & also to authorize us to sell & convey all your Ldps Mannours & Reserved Lands. After perusing your Ldps Commission we join'd in a Letter to Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd advising him thereof & desired him to come over & lay his Accounts & Vouchers before us agreeable to your Ldps Requisition, likewise to furnish us with the Plats Rentals & all other Documents in his possession relative to the Mannours & Reserved Lands that we may be well informed how they were respectively circumstanced & advertise the Sale of them accordingly. In answer to our Letter he told us that it was absolutely impossible for him to attend us himself immediately by reason that his Wife lay dangerously ill but that as soon as his Clerk who happened to be then absent should return he would order him to attend us with all the Accounts Vouchers & Papers we required, but as he is not yet come over we have by another Letter press't him to an immediate Compliance with our Requisition & as soon as the Books & Papers shall be brought hither we shall proceed to examine & adjust the Accounts agreeable to your Ldp's Requisition & Intention. Having already received a correct Plat & Rent Roll of Ann Arundel Mannour from Mr Thomas the present Steward We have ordered an Advertisement to be inserted in this Week's Gazette notifying that we shall attend at a House near that Mannour on the 14th of July to sell to the best Bidders the several Tenements into which