

Instruction at all obligatory on them as one Branch of the Legislature however I may be bound by it & therefore if this Bill had not been also drop't in the Lower House on the same pretence as the other I should in Obedience to your Ldp's Instruction have rejected it & that I expect will be the Case at the next Session in Oct<sup>r</sup> or November. M<sup>r</sup> Key your Ldp's Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup> having died lately after a short Indisposition I have thereupon taken the liberty to appoint M<sup>r</sup> Robert Goldsborough in his stead being induced thereto by an opinion that next to M<sup>r</sup> Holliday who is about to decline the practice he is the most able & promising Lawyer at this time in the province I hope therefore your Ldp will approve of the Nomination & confirm him in the Office.

Letter Bk. IV

[Commissioners of Customs to Sharpe.]

Original.

Sir

Having by the inclosed to M<sup>r</sup> Randolph Surveyor General of the Western middle district on the Continent of America acquainted him, that we have in pursuance of a Warrant from the Treasury, issued our Deputation to Andrew Bagg Esquire to be Comptroller of the Customs at Pocomoke in Maryland in the Room of John Yeates deceased, And He having given Security here, We desire the favour of you in case of M<sup>r</sup> Randolph's absence to admit him to his Duty upon his taking the Oaths enjoined by Law, and to grant him a Certificate thereof to be transmitted to us.

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Edw<sup>d</sup> Hooper

J. Frederick

H. Searles

Mead

Custom house London  
 May the 30<sup>th</sup> 1766  
 Governor of Maryland.

[Mason and Dixon to Sharpe.]

Original.

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We have continued the Line <sup>Miles</sup> 165, which reaches to the Foot of Savage-Mountain, one of the Ridges of the Allegany Mountains: Here we set up the Sector (yesterday,) and intend to begin to return when we have finish'd our observations.

If the Weather proves favorable we expect to be down with the Visto in the true Parallel, about the beginning of October: But when we come near the River Susquehannah, shall acquaint you with the Time more certain.

At 159<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Miles, by the Estimation of some who live near