

whom I have a great Esteem & Friendship & who will by his Conduct I dare say recommend himself to y<sup>r</sup> favor & meet with the Approbation of the rest of the Clergy.

I am, Sir, Your  
Most humble &  
obedient Servant  
F. Baltimore

Original.

[Hamersley to Sharpe.]

Serj<sup>ts</sup> Inn London  
29. Sep<sup>r</sup> 1766.

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I now resume my Pen, to return to your Excellencys Letters of 28<sup>th</sup> May and 15<sup>th</sup> June, and, in so doing, I am to acknowledge the receipt of the Acts of Assembly with the Provincial Seal affixed, passed in the Sep<sup>r</sup> and Decem<sup>r</sup> Session 1765, all which I have Laid before the Lord Proprietary, and flatter myself they will receive his Lordships approb<sup>n</sup>

The Restitution of Tranquility to the Province of Maryland, & all his Majesty's American Colonies, by the Repeal of the Stamp Act, cannot afford you more real satisfaction, than it has done here and the Temper of the Southern Colonies at least, in acknowledging their general Legislative subordination, at the same time it does them honor, Lays the most solid foundation of a Lasting Harmony between them and Old England, and therein of their mutual Happiness and Advancement. The Indemnity Law passed here was a very Conciliating measure, and has, I hope, redressed every Inconvenience which might have otherwise arisen from the Stamp Act during its continuance, Especially with the Auxillary Law passed in the Provinces. A Propos I wo<sup>d</sup> ask your Excellency, whether all the Publick Acts passed here, which have any relation to the Colonies, are not regularly transmitted to you, or whether I can be of use in sending you them, or any other Papers, or Information from hence. I am much obliged to your Excellency for the very able performance, Asserting the Lord Proprietarys right to the different branches of his Revenue, in which it has not been very difficult to trace the same Pen, which had before done his Countrymen so much justice. I have only to hope, he may carry the same conviction with them as he has done here, and that he may not share the Prophet's Common misfortune, of being disregarded in his own Country alone. But, If reason and argument, supported by facts and Law, will Convince, I am sure he cannot miss his Aim; If they have lost their Efficacy, the Controversy at least will have an end, and the Derniere Decision must Determine.