

Letter Bk. IV

Advantage to Him & am glad therefore He has determined to wave it or at least to leave the Matter entirely to the two Houses of Assembly. In a Letter I have address't to His Ldp & shall transmit by this Opportunity I have informed him of my having been obliged by reason of the Death of M^r Brice Chief Justice of our Provincial Court & two of his Associates of issuing a new Commission by which I have added five other Gentlemen of good Abilities & unexceptionable Character to the four surviving Justices. I have also represented to His Ldp the Expediency of his filling up the two Vacancies which are made in the Council by the Death of M^r Key & Col^o Henry & have taken the liberty to mention several Gentlemen to His Ldp as worthy to be appointed. I have likewise reminded His Ldp of two Petitions I transmitted to M^r Calvert in a Letter dated the 20th June 1765 relative to two Lots which had become Escheat one of them in this Place & the other in Baltimore Town, which the Agent it seems on Account of their being in Towns is restrained by one of His Instructions from selling without a special Order; It being His Ldps Interest that they should be sold as soon as possible I beg the favour of you to apply for His Instructions concerning them & let me know his pleasure as soon as possible. The two Surveyors who came from England to run the Boundary Lines under the Direction of the Commissioners having at last described them all it is agreed that the Stones which were imported last Summer shall be immediately set up in the Presence of a Commⁿ on each Side & that there shall be then a general Meeting in order to draw up a State of our Proceedings & return the same to the High Court of Chancery according to the Tenor of the Articles of Agreement & our Commission, but as the setting up the Stones & the Drawing such State afterwards might take up so much time as to make it impossible for us to transmit the same before the last of Decem^r next when our last Comⁿ will expire I submit it to you whether it will not be necessary that a new Commission be sent us, which indeed must be the Case if His Ldp & the Proprietors of Penns^a have agreed that the East & West Line shall be next Summer extended to the Westernmost Limits of Penns^a for it now stops at Savage Mountain a Ridge of the Allegany not more than five or six Miles Westward of Fort Cumberland. As I shall address another Letter to you by a Ship that will sail hence very shortly I will not trouble you with any thing more at present but only add that I remain with the greatest Esteem & Regard D^r S^r