

thought of asking M^r Calvert's Consent to dispose of his property, as he pleased. If he had the least colour of right it was not to be asked. If he had not the Requisition was unnecessary. In a Letter to his Lordship of 26th Augst he seems to Apologize for a Supposed Offence, which was never taken, at the same time not so much Denying his Lordships Right to the Manor, as Insinuating a Claim to an Equivalent out of the late Lords Personal Estate, upon which he waits further Opinions from England, but this is a Claim of a different sort, and lyes entirely between him and my Lord, Who is prepared to give him a proper answer, whenever he pleases to Change his attack, and in reality amounts to an Indirect admission of his Lordships right.

But however Purchasers are to be at a certainty & when Jealousys have been raised, are Entitled to be made easy in all their Scruples. His Lordship therefore approves of the Limited warranty Proposed by the Commissioners, and will send them an additional Instruction to extend their authority under the proper restrictions. To w^{ch} a further Instruction will likewise be added in compliance with the hints of the Commiss^{rs} giving a greater Latitude to the mode of the Conveyances by Substituting instead of " Bargain and Sale," the words " Grant under the Great Seal recorded in the Provincial Office " with a retrospect Confirmatory of any Grants you may have already made under these Circumstances before the Receipt of the Instruction, & extending likewise the Derivative Conveyances to any proper Instruments duly recorded within a Limited time. His Lordships motive to the particular Conveyance directed was most certainly for the better security of his alienation ffines and Quit rents, & indeed was adopted from the Kings Instructions for the Sale of Lands in the Ceded Islands.

I had proceeded to Close the above Letter when I was again favoured with your Excellencies of the 6th Augst and at the same time with a Copy of Bacon's Laws for my own use, for w^{ch} you will please to Accept my best thanks, & also the 8 Acts of Assembly passed last May, and the Three Private Acts; I have already acquainted your Excellency with the Method taken by Lord Baltimore to Adjust matters between M^r Dulany and myself by taking the difference upon himself, with which we at least have Sufficient reason to be Satisfied and I find he is so. The Office is assuredly in every other Colony and Island executed by Deputy, and there is Scarce one but what I have prepared Similar Instruments for, Requiring the execution of the Office and the receipt of the Fees in the Principal's name, and then Comptrolling the Generality of the Power by the particular agreem^t, by which method, in case