

Ideas Coincide with yo^r Excellencies sentiments, you will please immediately to Instruct the proper Officers accordingly in his Lordships Name, & If any particular Instructions be wanting from hence, they shall be forwarded upon the first notice.

Sir Anthony Abdy has renewed his Application to Lord Baltimore in behalf of M^r Robert Harrison Merch^t of Cambridge on Choptank River to succeed to the Shrievalty of that County at the next Vacancy w^{ch} it is understood will be at Martinmas 1767. The former Application failed from a Pre-engagement, but as S^r Anthony is a Gentleman of Family and fortune, much respected here, and a Member of the House of Commons, it will give his Lordship a Singular pleasure If he should prove more Successfull the second time.

I shall expect with Impatience the Maryland Address of Gratitude. Our Parliament meets the 11th but I do not hear of any Intention of Meddling wth the American Colonies, at least for the present, and perhaps the Administration will scarce think of much Business on this Side of Christmas, unless it be to widen their bottom which seems much wanted and probably is at no great Distance.

Your Excellency will receive by this opportunity authentick Cops of the first Settlement of 1698 and of that made by the present Lord on his marriage So that you are now Possessed of all the Settlements ever made of this Province.

I had yesterday the honour of Drinking your Excellencys Health at Lord Baltimore's in Company with D^r Stuart & Mess^{rs} Hanbury and Anderson.

Whilst I am writing M^r Loyd has Remitted a further sett of Bills for £917 4 3 Sterling in a Letter of 23^d August.

I have the honor to be with all due regard and esteem

P. S. Your Excellency will likewise D^r S^r

receive Enclosed his Lordships

Instruction for Calling up M^r

Walter Dulany to a Seat at the

Council Board which I hope will

prove agreeable to you.

Yo^r Excellencys

Most Obed^t & Ever

Faithfull Hble Serv^t

Hugh Hamersley

[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Letter Bk.IV

To Lord Baltimore.

Ann^s the 20th Nov^r 1766.

My Ld

I now remit your Ldp Firsts of five Setts of Exchange for £60 5 0 being the first Payment for part of a Tract of Land in this County which was some years ago leased out by your Ldps Agent as Mannour Land, likewise the Firsts of two Setts of Excha for £64 19 9 which have been paid in part for