

expressly names him not as legitimate & before his death gott me to give him an anuity by the name he goes by of M^r Newport son of judith I forgett her name. the other Gentlemen M^r Brererwood is seventy, Bed-Ridden, out Lawed, over head & ears in debt has no heirs & if he were to live seventy more years, he never could clear up the different suits he has to gett thro even to prosecute his claim.

I presented myself the address of the Upp. House to the King; his Majesty received it very graciously; I had previously desired the Secretary of State to observe it & he pronounced it an Exceeding good one. The L. Houses address had been presented a few days before because it arrived first. But thats immaterial I likewise delivered to L^d Shelburne y^r letter I have a great happiness in the Harmony w^{ch} subsists between the Upp: House & myself & have directed my Secretary to write to you thereon, with regard to their intention of takeing on themselves the Expence of prosecuting the Appeal, out of Respect to them, I bear it with pleasure, for I look upon them, not as my dependants, but more like the House of Peers in this Country as the middle part of the Legislature to prevent the Lower House with their democratic Spirit from Destroying the present happy Establishment, Sanctified by Experience & the Pattern of their Mother Country, whose constitution of Government, is by all the world admired.

I look upon the Upp. House of Assembly in Maryland as composed of the Wisest men of the Province and that when they differ from the L. House they do it in support of their own just Rights & of mine as they find them consonant to justice and not as the L. H. basely insinuate from motives of dependance on Me. This Liberty Lottery, is a flagrant proof of the Rash Conduct of the L. House, and ungenerous to me to the greatest degree. The Houses ought to have settled these things in a parliamentary way twixt themselves, but shall a Tribune go out & Harangue the People with a cry of Liberty against the Proprietor, as if he were a Bashaw; this is licentiousness & not Liberty. However when these Matters are brought on, the expence attending them is a matter that can create no difficulty. I am extreamly well satisfy'd with your conduct in all Respects and I entreat you to continue to Exert y^r abilities towards the sale of these Mannors, Especially Ann Arundel the w^{ch} I Could guarantee to the purchasers, with my life if necessary.

I am with the
Greatest Esteem
Y^r Sincere freind
& y^r most Obedient humble Serv^t
Baltimore