

Letter Bk. IV

several of the Receivers &c in whose hands it remains the whole cannot be remitted your Ldp for some time. I am very sorry & indeed surprized to find by your Ldps Letters of the 25th & 28th Sept that my Brother Philip had not then waited on your Ldp with the Money I desired him to pay to your Ldp's Order instead of paying it to Captain Eden as I had desired him to do by a former Letter, lest the Letter in which I desired him to do so should have miscarried I now take the liberty to inclose an Extract of it upon the Receipt of which I am confident he will immediately wait on your Ldp & make payment according to my Desire unless he should be absent out of the Kingdom in which Case I beg the favour of your Ldp to send the inclosed to my Brother William. With the utmost Respect I am &c.

[Sharpe to Hamersley.]

Copy of 11th Letter to M^r Hamersley. Dated Annapolis 11th March 1767.

Sir

In the Letters I addressed to His Ldp & you the 7th & 8th of December last I advised you of the Agreement the two Houses had come to about submitting to the Determination of His Majesty in Council the Dispute concerning the payment of the Clerk of the Councils usual Salary & intimated to you that in order to prosecute the Appeal on their part the Lower House had before they broke up opened a Subscription; they likewise Resolved to set a Lottery on foot for raising the Sum of £1000 in Aid of the Subscription & several of the Members undertook to act as Managers. You will see by the Scheme published in the inclosed Gazette what Arts they practize to draw peoples Money out of their Pockets but I am told that the Managers would nevertheless have been greatly puzzled to get off their Tickets had not the Pennsylvanians bought whole Books of them & the Subscriptions it seems come in very slowly. They will however I suppose raise Money enough by one means or another to prosecute the Affair & therefore it is necessary that the Gentlemen of the Upper House should prepare to make their Defence, or support before His Majesty the Points they have contended for, particularly that the Clerk of the Councils Salary shall be hereafter paid in the same manner it hath hitherto been. In order that the Members of the Upper House might have an Opportunity of consulting what Steps it might be proper for them to take I desired them to meet here as yesterday & all of them (except M^r Chamberlaine M^r Goldsborough & Col^o Hooper who were prevented by Sickness & therefore desired to be excused) attending