Letter Bk.III Person to whom each Tract was granted but as soon as it is in my power I will transmit such Account, in the mean time I entertain hopes that the Answer I have given to your Ldp will prove satisfactory & I beg leave to assure your Ldp that I have complied with His Majestys Requisition as far & as speedily as was in my power. I am with the greatest Respect y' Ldps. &c.

[Sharpe to Shelburne.]

To Lord Shelburne.

Annapolis 14 May 1767

My Lord

As I have in my Answer to your Ldp's Letter bearing Date the 11th Day of December last given as distinct & particular an Account as was in my power of the Annual Charge of supporting the entire Establishment of this Province the manner of granting Lands here & the Fees & other Charges attending Grants of Land It only remains for me to transmit your Ldp in Compliance with the Requisition you are pleased to make by your Letter of the 13th of Janry last an Account of the established Fees of the different Offices in Maryland which I cannot I apprehend do more distinctly than by inclosing a Copy of the Act by which are regulated all the Fees to be received by the several Officers except by the Collectors of His Majesty's Customs & the Naval Officers whose Fees are settled by an Act of Assembly that was made in the year 1717 of which I likewise inclose a Copy. With the greatest Respect I am &c

Original.

[Macleane to Sharpe.]

Whitehall May 26th 1767

Sir.

I am commanded by the Earl of Shelburne to transmit to you Copy of His Majesty's Pardon for Thomas Sawyer con-

victed at Gloucester for Theft.

The Pardon was issued too late for the unhappy man who had sailed from Bristol in the Ship Albion with other Convicts, consigned by Mess¹⁵ Sedgely, Wilhouse & Randolph Contractors at Bristol for the Transportation of Convicts, to their Agents Mess¹⁵ Thomas & William Ringolds in Maryland; These Contractors have promis'd to write to their said Agents to send back the said Sawyer. I am therefore in his Lordships name to recommend it to you Sir, to use your good Offices in behalf of Sawyer, that Mess¹⁵ Ringolds may send him properly back by the first good Conveyance.

I am,

Sir Your most obedient humble Servant L. Macleane

Horatio Sharpe Esq^r