

Denomination tho they are by the Act expressly declared to be no legal Tender, & the Event has shewn that no positive Declarations of Laws can give so much Credit to Paper Money as the certain Knowledge that the Fund appropriated to sink it cannot prove deficient & I really think that Maryland has adopted the only Plan for Emitting Paper Money not liable to Objections either here or in Great Britain. As to the Act for a general Registry of Deeds for Conveying Land within this Province I have nothing more to offer than I wrote last Decem' concerning it, in Justice a Clause certainly ought to have been inserted to compel a previous Payment of the Alienation Fines but since the Lower House would not admit such Clause it will I believe be your Ldp's Interest to pass the Act as it stands & leave it to the Chancery Court to do that Justice the Lower House of Assembly declined doing for tis it seems an established Point that in a Case of Quit-Rent the Chancery Court can regularly take Cognizance & Decree payment be the Sum in question ever so trivial. All the Acts passed last Session as well as the Journal of the Proceedings in the Lower House being at length printed I shall herewith transmit them in order to be presented to your Ldp with my Sentiments on them respectively. When the Assembly meets again I shall communicate to them in form your Ldps obliging Answer to their joint Address which I have already mentioned to the Gentlemen of the Council resident in this place who are much pleased with what your Ldp has communicated to me relative to their Address to the King on the Repeal of the Stamp Act & are glad to hear that both the Addresses from this Province to the Throne arrived so opportunely as to contradict in some measure the opinion which the Enemies of these Colonies were industriously propagating. M^r Hammersley having intimated to me that your Ldp desired to have two or three of those Maryland Gazettes in which was advertised the Scheme of the Liberty Lottery as it was termed I shall transmit a few by this Conveyance; It was as appears by the Advertisement to have been drawn the 25th of last Month but Alas the Spirit of the People has not seconded that of the patriotic Leaders so as to take off the Tickets or else they have been advised to drop it, for it has not been yet drawn & no Advertisement relative to it has been inserted in the late Gazettes. But tho the Lottery should not answer their Expectations They will I presume be able to raise Money enough by Contribution to prosecute the Appeal if they are inclined to do so, tho it is not improbable that the answer which was returned to the Application of the Committee that was appointed by the Lower House to meet here in the Interval of Assemblies to rummage the Records will be made