

Grants of the Land Lying Contiguous to the Dividing Line on the West Side of Susquehanna, and whether it may be proper to reserve any and what manors for his Lordships use. The Caution I Gave proceeded from a Private Communication to himself by Letter from the Province, as you may likewise believe of some other hints, which you Receive at times, w^{ch} do not take their rise here, but shall always be sent you as they come to hand.

I am very glad you approve of Incerting a Clause of Re Entry in the new Patents. The raising the Quit rents would have been more agreeable than a meer advance of the Caution money, as the Encrease of the Annual Income is preferable to a Single rise in Fine. And, though it is my business to Communicate the Intelligence and Advice people are daily pouring in, perhaps with different Views, Yet, I am persuaded, his Lordship will always be happy in Conforming to your opinion. I am glad you approve of not Granting any new Leases for more than 21 years, with a few Exceptions only.

I have received a Letter from the Surveyors, and am glad to find the Indians have Agreed to the Extension of the East and West Line beyond the Allegany Mountains, so that I hope no Impediment will arise to the Speedy Conclusion of that Business.

His Lordship is very well pleased to find you have Noted M^r Robert Harrison for the next Sheriff of Dorchester County, and that you have Inducted M^r Allen into the Parish of Annapolis. He seems to have Chose it for fear of being Rusticated, but does not appear very well Contented with it. I wish some means might be found to help him to a better Income, and, If difficultys arise in the Church, you are desired to Consider whether there may not be some Civil Employment which can properly Execute, together with his Ecclesiastical Function.

I have been favoured with a Line from M^r Goldsborough in which he very Civilly Conforms to the Old Allowance, but am very sorry by subsequent information to hear of his declining health. M^r Walter Dulany, whom you have just called to the Council, and who I think is Naval Officer, has been Proposed for his Successor by Mess^{rs} Hanbury, in case of a Vacancy ; But is he Sufficiently Versed in the Ecclesiastical and Civil Law, and is not that a necessary and Customary requisite, and is there any more proper Candidate.

His Lordship looks for the Adjustment of M^r Loyd's Accounts with no little Impatience. Agreeable to your Excellencys Intimation that Gentⁿ in his Letter of 5th March remitted Bills for £5292 16 5¼ sterling. I easily perceive he Intends