

which I propose to do when the new Assembly meets about the End of February should M^r Stewart succeed so far as to procure a Dissent to the Acts Be so kind as to communicate to Me the Substance of the Arguments advanced before the Council & on what principles they determine for our Assembly will very probably on such Event fall on some other Scheme to prevent the Evil complained of. In the inclosed Letter I I have remitted My Lord Bills of Exchange for £284 11 6¼ more received from the Purchasers of Anne Arundel Manour. We could sell no more than 897¾ Acres of the Manour at Conegocheague & I much question whether Purchasers will offer for those in Baltimore & S^t Marys County which are to be next set up, & the Tenants it seems are so poor that they cannot bid for their respective Tenements. I expect this Letter will be presented to you by M^r Hugh Scott an Officer in the 28th Regiment who having served during the late War in all the American Expeditions is now going to join his Regiment in Ireland unless he can by exchanging or otherwise procure another Commission or Appointment in North America where I find he would choose to continue, he is a Nephew of M^r Scotts Clerk of the Council here & if he should wait on you with this I beg the favour of you to take some notice of him.

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[Rev. Bennet Allen to Sharpe.]

Original.

To

His Excellency

Horatio Sharpe Esq^r

Sir

I take the Liberty of troubling your Excellency with a Very Long Letter. The Importance of the Subject must plead my Excuse. A Subject of no less Importance than a Vindication of the Lord Proprietary's Supremacy over the Church in Maryland, and of the Instructions which I have had the Honor of Laying before your Excellency. Which Instructions if I prove to be not only Exactly conformable to the Ecclesiastical Laws of the Kingdom of England, But also in no Respect dissonant or contrary to the Laws of Maryland, I flatter Myself your Excellency can be under no Difficulty of putting them into Execution.

The Constitution of the Church established in Maryland is explain'd in The fourth Section of the Royal Charter, and Lord Baltimore is Declared Patron

“Also we do grant and confirm to the said Baron of Baltimore his heirs and Assigns the Patronages and Advowsons of all Churches which with the Increasing