

Letter Bk. III

[Sharpe to Allen.]

26 Sep^r 1768

Sir

I shall desire the Members of the Council who live at a Distance to meet here the 10th of next month and shall think it incumbent on me when they are here to take Notice of the Piece lately published in the Pennsylvania Chronicle and republished in the last Maryland Gazette, in which M^r Walter Dulany as I apprehend or some Person that enjoys an honourable and lucrative Office in this Government is positively accused of raising the Mob in Frederick Town at the time you went thither to take possession of All Saints Parish, if you can undertake to prove that Fact and what else is asserted or suggested in that Piece relative to the Conduct of the Person accused It would I think be well for you to do so on that occasion, that his Behaviour might be properly certified to the Lord Proprietary.

I am &c^aThe Rev^d M^r Allen.

Original.

[Rev. Bennett Allen to Sharpe.]

Sir

After having taken the best advice upon the subject of your Excellency's letter, I find I lie under no obligation to appear before the council to make good any charges contained in the piece alluded to by your Excellency, & that my obeying a summons of that kind (tho' I were able to prove them to the satisfaction of the world) would be of dangerous Tendency. I am likewise advised, that it is apprehended that no court in this province can take cognisance of a paper printed in another, & republish'd here, without the request as far as I know, of the Author; and I think myself in particular not at all liable for the consequences, the piece being anonymous.

I am with great respect, Sir your Excellency's
most oblig'd & obed^t humble Servant

Bennet Allen

Oct. 5. 1768.

[Baltimore to Sharpe.]

Copy.

Holland October 6th 1768.

Sir

I received yesterday in Holland your Excellency's several Papers relative to what passed with you in Maryland on account of Lord Hillsborough's Letter. The Wisdom of your Excellency's Conduct in the Administration of the great Trust committed by Me to your Care has always been admired by