

to John Young for Forty Pounds Sterl being his Years Salary Lib. M.
for cleaning the Arms &c. Ending the 11th Day of January
last to be paid out of the Mony arising from the Duty of 3^d p
hh^d for Arms.

At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Thursday in
the Afternoon, the 7th of May 1730

Present as in the Morning

His Excellency Communicates to this Board a Letter with
the following Superscription.

For His Majesty's Especial Service To the Hon^{ble} Benedict p. 27
Leon^d Calvert Esq^r Deputy Gov^r of His Majesty's Province
of Maryland in America; Or to the Commander in Chief of
that Province for the Time being

Plantation Office Maryland
Wherein were inclosed the following Letter and Queries

S^r

My Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations com-
mand me to send the enclosed Queries to you, relating to the
Province of Maryland, and to desire your particular Answers
thereto as soon as maybe: I am S^r

Whitehall } Your most Obedient humble Servant
Dec^r 9th 1729 } Alured Popple

The Honble Benedict Leonard Calvert Esq^r

What is the Scituation of the Province under your Govern-
ment the Nature of the Country Soil and Climate, the Lati-
tudes and Longitudes of the most Considerable Places in
it or the Neighbouring French or Spanish Settlements? Have
those Latitudes and Longitudes been settled by good Obser-
vations, and from whence are the Longitudes computed?

What are the Reputed Boundaries, and are any Parts there-
of disputed, what Parts, and by whom?

What is the Constitution of the Government?

What is the Trade of the Province, the Number of Shipping,
their Tonnage, and the number of Seafaring Men, with the
respective Increase or Diminution, within Ten Years past?