Capital & Interest his Banker at Paris is Bankrupt with several others, this Occasions Bankruptcy in Holland, England & of Merchants like Nine-pins they throw one another. A Subscription, open'd for Eight Millions here at 4 pr Ct with a Lottery Ticket the Interest for 21 years at 4 pr Ct after at 3 pr Ct it fill'd in three Days (Englands Security is in full Credit) the above Money on Malt 3d pr Bushel additional Duty. Here's talk of Peace, what can France do? she has Lost her Trade & closed her credit, protested all her Lost Colony Bills & most of her Valuable Îslands & Colonies are in our Kings Possession, her Navy taken, Sunk & destroy'd. Left with not thirty of the Line; her Alliances & Corruption how will she maintain? she has Lost the source of Riches the Nerves & Sinews of War, is become a Bankrupt. What Effort can she? As to Hanover she has been twice Bravely foil'd in the Attempt, if she got Possession what then? it would not answer her nor would the Germanic Body allow it her. By the War the Counter Ballance is agt her, it is with our Soveraign. Goree, Senegal, Guadalupe and Quebec, immense gain by Traffick & pronounces she must submit to British Terms. Mr Secy Pitt has Pit her, & she must be Humble e'r she gets out. No Provincial Laws nor Assembly Journals are come to hand. In mine Sepr the 6th to you My Lords desire is to have laid out 10000 Acres in Frederick County reserved Manor Land the best soil & Scituation. The inclosed to Mr James Richard is in Answer to his to My Lord abt ill treatment of receipt of his Lordps reserved & Manor Rents, he is refer'd to you for advice concern^g Note From all parts congratulatory Addresses are to his Majesty on this Years Success of his Arms. What am I to expect from Mr Comissy Dulany. Mr Tasker favour'd Me, I hope from him the same favour, 'tis his Lord' Desire; I mention this because not hearing relative from Mr Dulany.

To His Excelly Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Lieu^t Decem^r 27th 1759.

Governor of the Province of Maryland.

[Cecilius Calvert to Horatio Sharpe]

London Jany 19th 1760

Sir.

My Packet inclos'd the 18th of Nov^r has long been y^{rs} for a Passage & tho' I may send Antiquity & as most things grow stale by keeping, yet mine is Enrich'd by the Proprietors Let^r to you with his Elegant Gold Snuff Box, May you long enjoy. Peace is talk'd, seems not likely this year; 'tis hinted when, Act of Parliam^t will be moved for amendment of Government & a Standing Force in America & that the