

Colonies must bear at least the greatest share of Charge for whose Protection the Force will be Established, this will occasion a Tax; being Preparative is best. It is usual on Propositions concern^g the Colonies, such Propositions are often sent to the Sec^{ys} & Agents of the Provinces to make answer concern^g; if any sho^d be, I believe it will. Y^r advice on Modus of Tax p^r Poll, by Land Tax or otherways. Y^r answer by paym^t Sterl^g would be of great Utility here relative to Maryland, & by whom to be rec^d & in whose hands Deposit^d. I hint this for y^r consideration at Leasure & should be oblig^d for y^r sentiments thereon, from Gov^r Denny late of Pensilvania are arrived transactions, s^d his Gain of Malum Penæ and Malum Culpæ to his Proprietors, whom I am told will sue him on Breach of his Covenant by Bond to them; even his friends sneer him. Great Preparations by Land & Sea are forwarding for Action early in the Spring.

May all Happiness Attend you.

N. Y^r being mindful of M^r Nicholson Y^{rs} truly
for favour will very much oblige your Cecil^s Calvert
friends here.

Pos^t I return for y^{rs} con^g Pensilvania Publish'd at Philadelphia the History of Pensilvania Publish'd here, as a Sort of Method for M^r Bacon mentioned in mine the 18th of Nov^r to delineate the History of Maryland. tis obvious by the above History the Mess^{rs} Penns dismission of Gov^r Morris is Blame to themselves, he was just to them & they had warning of Gov^r Denny in his declarative speech to their Assembly, that what he consented relative to his Proprietors was ag^t his conscience & of their Just^{ns} to him, his dismission sho^d have follow'd. His Lord^{ps} Annual Donative under the Title of Lady Baltimore & himself to the school at S^t Peter's Parish in Talbot County late Benefice of the Rev^d M^r Bacon, he being inform'd there is no School founded he desires to know from you the truth of that circumstance that his good intentions suffer not abuse his Gift during pleasure being only for the Benefit of that School.

[Cecilius Calvert to Horatio Sharpe]

London Feb^{ry} the 18th 1762

Sir

M^r Capel Hanbury with me and having expressed his conveyance by a Virginia ship on immediate departure at Portsmouth, with the Squadron destined for the West Indies, allows but time to Acknowledge late Let^{rs} rec^d from you. His Lord^p thanks you for your transmission of Bills of Exch: am^{tg} to a 1000£ sterl^g and doubts not the truth of y^r