

Colony. Non obstante, he did yeild to be Taxed, and paid with pleasure his Quota in the defence and for his Majesty's Service and Safety of his Province. A little pains will recite and a few Remarks will clear all Aspersion wickedly designed by Base, Low Crafty Cunning; this I doubt not receiving soon with preface or introduction; that if they dare to print, I shall be able to return them a Rowland for their Oliver. 'tis difficult to defend Equal as where the Action in its return Lays; as to Cost his Lordship will not grudge in defence of his Governor and Administration, tis self defence the premier Law of Nature, therefore be expeditious and secret. A scheme there is about Charging the force in America by Export and import in and out of the Colonies to foreign Markets, that warehouses &c. are to be built at convenient ports and places for that purpose, where the Duties are to be paid; the money returned to be to England and drawn and for payment of the American Troops here on their Agents; But more of this in my next, this way of Force will not Effect greatly as I conceive Maryland; It will pensilvania as a vitualling Colony, the Duties arising from Exports and imports from & to the Colonies West India Traffick; this a matter in the Embryo of time & likely may be obstructed under a Scotch Premier Minister, the E. of Bute, ag^t whom strong Party is forming. M^r Cresap in his Let^r says "Please to accept this from a friend & sufferer in the vindication of Lord Baltimore's Rights as well as by the french and Indians" so ends his Let^r I am told he is realy in Distress. Regarding M^r Anderson, it will be very improper to mention his name relative aforesaid; he is a Merch^t may hurt him with the Party, his Intelligence to me.

M^r Dulany & M^r Kays departure being put off till May & opportunity serving by a Ship of Mess^{rs} Hanbury Bound to Patuxent River concludes me to you by the present Conveyance, his Lord^p at Naples I have wrote to him & Now shall again, hope his return will be at S^t Michael, if you send any Bills for him, or of any moment inform me I will Act the Best. Doctor Wilson Preb^d West^r takes it extremely Ill of Doctor Bacon not acct^g to him of the disposal of the last Effects sent him value £100 Sterl^g for S^t Peter's school, he says he will give him trouble & make him Acco^t the Arch Bishop advises so to do, as he is concerned in all Charities to America; therefore 'tis desired you will admonish M^r Bacon to give an Acc^t how he has disposed of the Effects, this they enjoin me to write. I gave M^r Macnamara Let^{rs} for you on his departure, I desire to know if you rec^d them. the Hon^{ble} Charles Townsend is at the Head of the Board of Trade, where the Provincial Laws are much enquired after