

[Cecilius Calvert to Horatio Sharpe]

London May 8th 1763.

Sir

Having wrote you fully on all Affairs by mine the 1st of March & the 27th of April last, this Let^r is only to acknowledge myself to you by M^r Dulany on his departure for the Province His Behaviour here with regard to you has been on Occasions in discourse ab^t you very respectfully & often said, that you are a Person much to be Esteemed in y^r Conduct of Magistracy in the Government, that he believed your merit was truly deserving from just applause. said, he had no other wish nor favour to ask But for his Brother M^r Walter Dulany. I replied, have you mentioned such to the Gov^r he said yes, without Effect, that M^r Ross was loaded with valuable Employs some one of w^{ch} would have been acceptable to his Brother & said, he had no Ill to M^r Ridout nor to M^r Scott, however, thought others might with reason Especially of the Council, more influence in the distribution of favours than they felt they had; this he spoak only with regard to expectations of the Council & of the old family Settlers in the Province that are deserving. Says he, the Gov^r has a good disposition, Generosity & Benevolence in Nature towards persons in the Province; on my own part I am to praise him my self I am obliged to him & desire to commune with him sincerely & to keep well with him; he is a Person of proper Appointm^t in the Station he resides in. We discoursed on matters of the Province, says he if the Packet sent to the Franklyns had been delivered I wo^d have answ^d the Lo. H. are extreamly absurd. On parting & the delivering this Let^r to him I told him I had favourably mention^d his Brother to you, he thanked me. I am surprised no Let^r from L^d Baltimore since last March, the Inclosed News Papers will impart strange Catastrophy on the close of the Earl of Bute premier Minister, who is retired to his Seat in Yorkshire, Pray God avert all Evil, better he had not been Born, he hurts a good King.

I am with all Respect

Y^r obliged H^{ble} Serv^tCecil^s Calvert.

Pos^t The young Duke of Brunswick is expected, he espouses Princess Augusta, a few days past spoke to the Cap^t by whom you sent the 4 Dozen of Madeira, he s^d he had 3½ Dozens, he has not sent it, says he has no Hams. I have eat one of the 10 rec^d very good fine flavour, very Bad Spring wind East, N. E. Great Discord in the Cyder Counties, on Excise on Cyder, Bonfires, the Effiges of the Earl of B. Burnt, Hallow, Wilkes Member for Aylesbury for Ever!