

an Act of prohibition ag<sup>t</sup> any Act to pass in the Colonies as Currency Acts, Legal Tender on money paym<sup>t</sup> I hope no Supplementary provincial Act needful, But that the present cur<sup>y</sup> Fund will answ<sup>r</sup> totally to pay off, as reasonable to suppose that many of the Curr<sup>y</sup> Bills are by heedlessness lost or destroyed as may answ<sup>r</sup> deficiency; the Act has been of Little utility, as to specie Sterl<sup>g</sup> Spanish or Portugal the Colonies may have Supply from hence perchased by weight, w<sup>h</sup> on Cur<sup>y</sup> ad valor pro rato Coin'd on paym<sup>t</sup> will render much gain.

By Cap<sup>t</sup> Love I wrote you fully upon all concerns. I am informed a Scotchman by name the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Hart, has taken his departure for Maryland. Upon distant application in an odd way he applyed to me for Maryland Benefice, I refused; his friend a Scotchman, not of the Best fashion to Lord Baltimore's affairs. Tis by Scotch influence they make application to the Bishop of London & so yet ordained & by order of appointm<sup>t</sup> to be provided in Benefice in Maryland this of dangerous Preced<sup>t</sup> upon the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup> right as admittance ag<sup>t</sup> his Consent & knowledge, as well of imposition on the Bishop, who is pester'd with the scum of Scotland, who accept England's Divine institution only for Lucre if check be not given much inconvenience will certainly arise & embarrass his Lord<sup>ps</sup> right to his Benefices, the person herein mentioned, had the folly among Sev<sup>l</sup> recomendatory Let<sup>rs</sup> he sent me of his being a Gude Mon, was one Let<sup>r</sup> to the Archbishop of Canterbury, I observed to the Party saying, was this Let<sup>r</sup> delivered to his Grace? Yes Sir says he, Aye, how comes the Let<sup>r</sup> with M<sup>r</sup> Hart if rec<sup>d</sup> by his Grace? did his Grace return it, saying he wo<sup>d</sup> not medle? the party Blush'd, made no answ<sup>r</sup> I desired him to take away all his Papers making him a Bow. they had apply'd to the Archbishop of York he would not medle; these two Bishops have with respect to his Lord<sup>ps</sup> right applyed to Lord Baltimore for Maryland Benefice Viz. the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Keene & M<sup>r</sup> Dowie w<sup>h</sup> from his Lord<sup>p</sup> to you, you have fullfill'd by Donations to them & another instance was from the late Bishop of London, a Divine who upon the resignation of the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Jones succeeded to M<sup>r</sup> Jones's Benefice, these are tokens of regard & of thanks to his Lord<sup>p</sup> Besides stocking the province with Low mean Scotch in an Essential concern, who turn Spies on all provincial affairs the Supply of them forestalls My Lord & hinders his Gifts himself, either from hence or of Persons in the Province, who have Native merit. this Liberty I hope you'll excuse as having had a hint from his Lord<sup>p</sup> before he went abroad. the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Love was by my