

Customs and Excise, at the Stamp & alienation offices. officers restored to regim^{ts} L^d Hertford L^d L^t of Ireland. the E. of B—te seems well rec^d at C[our]t. the D. of New Castle L^d Privy Seal, the Event Surprises! the Heroes the E. of Temple & M^r Pitt will not accept, rest on patriotism. the Latter a Large Estate left him & a Pension of £3000 p^r Ann. on his dismissal with a Peerage to his wife & his Popularity the vox populi is, he will not accept on Acc^t the favorite has sway at Court, the conflicts of the State are turbulent. a young Prince Born. God save the King. L^d Baltimore in the Country. one M^r Jordan a sort of merch^t gives out on the Royal Exch: that his Lord^p designs him for Maryland to settle his pecuniary affairs, the Gentlemans Character not the [best] I will obstruct him all I can. I hope M^r Lloyd will give content to my Lord and that you'l exert y^rself in all things and upon all matters to his Lord^p what with vile mischievous designs of Persons in the Province and artifices base here, My Lord is circumvented by pretendid plausible pretences, y^r happyness I have at heart my former Packets confirm'd to you his Lord^{ps} appointm^t by y^r recommendation for M^r Hooper & M^r Holliday to be of the Council & M^r Goldsborough Comiss^{ry} Gen^l more stones are finished for the Lines. here has been a fine summer, and the Autumnal Season is set in delightful.

The Rev^d M^r Howard the Bearer is deserv^g. I therefore hope and wish your favour to him

[Francis Fauquier to Horatio Sharpe]

W^{ms}burgh Nov^r 8th 1765

Sir

Colonel Mercer the Distributor of Stamps appointed for this Colony, was also charged with some for the use of Maryland. As the Madness of the people is as great here as with you, I have lodged them all for Safety with Captain Stirling on board the Rainbow, who will deliver those for your Colony to any person whom you shall order to receive them, or will convey them safe up to Anapolis as you shall desire. He has desired I would give you proper Notice of this and will wait your Directions what he is to do with them. God grant our respective people may grow more prudent, and not cut their own Throats

I am with great Regard, Sir

Y^r most obed^t Serv^t

Fran: Fauquier

To his Excel^{cy} Hor. Sharpe Esq^r