Annapolis 25th October 1765.

Lib. J. R. & U. S.

Sir

I return you thanks for the Letter you were pleased to write the 22^d Instant, to Advise me of your having received, on Board his Majesty's Ship Sardoine, the Stampt Paper, which had been Shipt in the Royal Charlotte for this Province. As We have no place of Security where the Paper was it to be landed, could be lodged I should be afraid to have it brought on Shore, till I can communicate to the Assembly which is to meet here next Thursday, the Contents of your Letter and receive their Advice on the Occasion lest otherwise the Paper should be destroyed by the Populace. In the mean time I must desire the favour of you to keep the Paper on Board the Sardoine, unless you should have an Opportunity of puting it on Board some other of his Majesty's Ships, bound to this Province

At a Council held at the Governor's on Thursday the 31st day of October in the Fifteenth year of his Lordship's Dominion Annoq 1765.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor

The honble Benj: Tasker Benedict Calvert, John Ridout and Henry Hooper Esq^{rs}

Ordered by His Excellency the Governor, with the Advice of this Board, that the present General Assembly, which was this day to have met, be further prorogued to Friday the 1st day of November next, there not being a Sufficient number of Members of the Lower House met to make a House and Proclamation issued accordingly.

At a Council held at the Council Chamber on Friday the 20th day of November in the Fifteenth year of his Lordship's Dominion Anno Domini 1765.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor.

The honble Benjamin Tasker, Benedict Calvert, Dan¹ Dulany and Henry Hooper Esq^{rs}

His Excellency is pleased to lay, before this Board a Writ for the Election of a Delegate for the City of Annapolis, and desires their Opinion whether or not he Ought to Sign it.

The Consideration of this Matter is putt off until to Morrow Morning.