

Calvert 1713 both by your Grandfather & M^r Carroll, & tho' in Law no
 Papers private Person can make a Deed directly to his wife, none of us can
 No. 1139 pretend here to tell what your Lordships Power may be, or how it
 February 12 may be judged at home in favour of Creditors, however I hope an
 1748/9 equal if not superior Regard will be paid to Marriage Articles &
 that your Grandfather will be thought to have had no Right to have
 let any Land but upon the common Conditions of Plantation. Leases
 made in England against the Tenor of Marriage Articles are void
 in Law, but it may be supposed that they will urge the contrary here,
 & that all the Equity that your Lordship can require is their payment
 of Rent at the Rate that Land was let for at the time of the Patent,
 & Equity taking in a number of Considerations it is almost impossi-
 ble to know certainly how things may go but upon the main it is
 certainly necessary, as I said before, for your Lordship to proceed
 with the utmost Dispatch that no Advantage may be taken of your
 long silence & acquiescence in the Land being out of your Possession.

Young M^r Tasker is in such an indifferent state of health that he
 proposes to set out in a short time for England, by whom I suppose
 his Father will give your Lordship a full acc^t of this matter, if he
 does not do it by this opportunity, therefore I shall trouble your
 Lordship no further at present

Black Book [Geo. Dent and John Hepburn to Gov Ogle]
 No. 9
 Letter No. 52 May it Please Your Excellency We think it our Duty to Informe
 October 19, you that att Ann Arundel County Assizes a Certaine Charles Elliot
 1749 Servant to Nathaniel Folson was before us Convicted of horse Steal-
 ing, and accordingly receiv'd Sentence of Death, for the Offence

Upon the best Information we can get, he has had Two Masters
 with the first of which he behav'd well for some time and then took
 to running away and other ill Practices.

Upon which his master (who is said to bear a good Character)
 sold him to Folson a person of an ill Character and Severe from
 whom Elliot frequently Runaway and behaved very ill And at length
 being runaway from his Master Stole the horse for which he is now
 Convict in order to make his Escape

We have Only to say in the behalfe of the Criminal That he is a
 young person not Exceeding Twenty one years (as we are Inform'd)
 and may in all Probability if his life is Spared take new and better
 Courses, And are in hopes Y^r Excellency on Consideration of his
 Tender years and Severity of his late Master will Extend your
 wonted Clemency towards him.

Calvert [Lord Baltimore To the Honourable the Commons of Great
 Papers Britain in Parliament Assembled.]
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 No date The Humble Petition of Charles Lord Baltimore in the Kingdom
 of Ireland absolute Lord Proprietary of the Province of Maryland
 in America.