

The Agent's place in the proprietary revenue establishment was like that of the Public Treasurers in the provincial system, but his duties were more numerous and varied. In addition to those just mentioned he received proprietary duties from the Naval Officers, quit-rents from the collectors, farmers, or receivers, alienation fines from the county clerks, and manor rents from the stewards. In both proprietary periods he received fines, forfeitures, amercements, and deodands from the sheriffs and waifs and strays from the rangers.

Except under crown rule he paid the Governor's salary out of the twelve pence per hogshead for support of government (1671) and incidental expenses out of the fines and forfeitures.¹⁶ In the later proprietary period he also paid over to the Governor those two duties previously enacted (1692 and 1694) for that officer's better support. He further deducted his own salary and, until 1769, his commission. All the rest he remitted to His Lordship once a year, closing the accounts each Michaelmas.¹⁷

Prior to Baltimore's restoration all Agents, except Job Chandler (1651-59), had enjoyed one or more other offices of profit during their incumbency. The Receiver General, as such, may have had ten percent of the territorial revenue and perhaps also a salary. From the restoration (1715) until the first appointment of Major Jenifer, November 25, 1768, he had a salary for receiving the port duties and the quit-rents (collected after Michaelmas, 1733) and a commission of ten percent on all other proprietary incomes. The salary was £ 100 sterling a year until it was raised to £ 150 in 1733 or 1734. However, Colonel Edward Lloyd (1753) and his successors had to pay the Principal Secretary a saddle of £ 50. On Jenifer's first appointment this saddle was retained, the commission was discontinued, and the salary was raised again to £ 500.¹⁸ For those years in which we have complete accounts we

¹⁶ On incidental expenses out of fines and forfeitures cf. Horatio Sharpe to Lord Baltimore, May 23, 1760 (*Ibid.*, IX, 410).

¹⁷ Original Agents' accounts for the years 1731, 1733, 1748, 1752-61, and 1768-74, are preserved among the Calvert Papers in the library of the Maryland Historical Society. Cf. Barker, *op. cit.*, 380-81.

¹⁸ See His Lordship's commissions to Charles Carroll, March 24, 1715/16, and to successive Agents thereafter: Provincial Court Record, liber TP, No. 4, folios 383, 413; liber PL, No. 5, folios 369, 438; liber PL, No. 6, folios 401, 473; liber PL, No. 8, folio 300; liber EI, No. 9a, folio 420; liber DD, No. 4, folios 373, 482; liber DD, No. 5, folios 1, 216, 508 (Land Office); *Archives*, XXXVIII, 431. Under Baltimore's instructions to Gov. Sharpe, Dec., 1760, the Agent's