

Herein I think my sentiments on the said acts do not clash as followed before with those who considered them on the conference.

As to the last mentioned acts I hope in case it should be necessary for you to meet a Session of Assembly before the arrival of a Lieutenant Governor, they will be aided by the legislative Power with such supplementary and explanatory acts to them as may remove all objections; especially the act concerning Princess Ann Town, which certainly must have as it now stands, My Lord's dissent. The consequence of which dissent I am well informed, will be the occasion of a dissolution to the act for the continuation of actions and securing the Peace and good Government of the Province passed in the Session of Assembly begun the 7th of December 1751, wherein, that and all the other acts passed in the May Session before are confirmed; which will be laid before His Lordship when he comes of age for his consideration, with the said other acts.

I now proceed to answer Yours of the 6th of May - last confirming to me the death of His Lordship's Lieutenant Governor Mr Ogle, in consequence whereof you have taken upon You the Government, as first in the Council of State. I am sorry for the loss of the Lieutenant Governor especially it being at so momentary a time; as the near Approach of the Lord Proprietors being of age; However as all things are subject to mortality, I am glad you have the Exercise of Government. The Guardians are well satisfied therewith, from your honest Reputation. And I am informed that as you being first in the Council, in taking upon you the Government on the Demise of the Lieutenant Governor, it is agreeable a such accident, and has been usual throughout all His Majesty's Plantations.