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The Hon^{ble} Cecilius Calvert Esq. His Lordship's Secretary of Maryland to H. Darnall Attorney General there. on the Lieutenant Governor's Death & Mr. Tasker taking on him the Government as first in the Council, & recommending the support thereof to baffle the Craft of ill designing men

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Sir.

I have the favour of yours of the 8th of May last, and am sorry for Mr. Ogles Death the Lieutenant Governor of His Lordship's Province of Maryland, Especially at so critical a time as the near Approach of the Lord Proprietary being of age. You add much concern to me, to understand that Faction has now awakened, I cannot discern why? not but I am appoyed in all Countrys there are ill designing men, who from confusion think they shall reap Benefit; such Maryland may afford, therefore the honest and true Friends of the Proprietor and of his Province must coincide and stand fast together. There are Inconveniencies in every thing, which foresight and not being surprized may determinè well, and establish all things according to just Reason; Surely the Death of a Lieutenant Governor can make no Revolution in a first Government, all Rights being before and after his Demise the same. — — — Mr. Tasker who by the Law as first in Council or the Demise of the Governor, has succeeded to the Exercise of Government, and being by all Esteem'd an honest man and of whose integrity his Lordship's Guardians are well satisfied, and that his aim of the Success of his Administration will tend both to