The said Lawrence Clarke then referred to his Majesty's Council at Law viz. Mr Robt Goldsborough who reports that he is of Opinion his Lordships Agents ought to have time allowed him to bring in the Exemplification of his Lordships Charter & in the mean time that if any wrong be done to the plaintiffs they may be relieved by an Action brought according to the ordinary course of Proceedings at Law

His Excellency being pleased to say that his Majesty the King of England will not take any Lands into his hands as escheat without a Jury of Inquest found according to Law & Coll. Darnall seeming to laugh Contemptuously in his Excellencys face is told that with out he forbears therefrom he will be laid by the heels

Coll. Darnall says that the Lord Baltimore has al ways claimed escheat Lands in this province his Excellency asks Coll. Darnall how he acts upon these Sales of such Lands without an Exemplification or Duplicate of his Lordships Charter Coll. Darnall says he has a Commission which he being required to produce says it is relating to my Lords Private Concerns & hath it not about him

The humble James Tilghman Esq. says that his Father in the time of the Lord Baltimore bought some Land of his Lordship which was escheated & so found by a Jury of Enquest

Whereupon it is observed that the reason why the Lord Baltimores Agent do not get the Office for Escheats settled in this province is because his Lordship will not do any one act to acknowledge his Majesty's Government here