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honour Your L<sup>dy</sup> had been pleased to confer on them which they intend to do themselves the honour of acknowledging by Letter to Your L<sup>dy</sup>.

The Trustees of the Charity School about to be established in Talbot County gratefully accept Your L<sup>dy</sup>s proposals & are preparing a thankfull Address for the most kind Testimony of Your L<sup>dy</sup>s Approbation. — In a Letter dated the 10<sup>th</sup> of Decem<sup>r</sup> last I made favourable mention of M<sup>r</sup> Dan<sup>l</sup> Dulany as a Person well qualified & proper to succeed his Father in the Council; & also if Your L<sup>dy</sup> should approve of the proposal to execute & enjoy jointly with M<sup>r</sup> Tasker the Office of Commisary; A Letter that I have had the pleasure lately to receive from Your L<sup>dy</sup>s Secretary, affording me Room to expect Your L<sup>dy</sup>s favourable hearing of such a Division, I acquainted M<sup>r</sup> Dulany what Steps I had taken with respect to him in that Affair for which he acknowledged himself much obliged, but on the consideration that his Acceptance of the Office tho on those Terms would oblige him to relinquish his practice as a Lawyer, whereby he must sustain a very considerable Loss he seemed to decline accepting it till he had considered of my proposal & talked with M<sup>r</sup> Tasker thereon, the Result of which was, their Desiring me to request Your L<sup>dy</sup> to order the Commisyon solely to M<sup>r</sup> Dulany as an equal favour conferred on both — — For a Successor to M<sup>r</sup> Young in Your L<sup>dy</sup>s Council of State I would beg leave to mention M<sup>r</sup> Wm Godsbrough who has in the Capacity of Judge of Apize given general Satisfaction, or M<sup>r</sup> James Tilghman; They are both much esteemed as Gent<sup>l</sup> of probity, Temper & good Abilities —

I am very at being unable to put the Scheme Your L<sup>dy</sup> was

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