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has sent an Express to the Northward with Dispatches from the General,
desiring Governor Shirley would, as soon as possible, give him a. Making
at Annapolis to concert the Plan of Operations so that I expect to have
the pleasure of seeing those Gent^l here in about a fortnight or 3 weeks
I shall wait on the General at Alexandria as soon as I hear of his
Arrival to conduct him to Annapolis if your Hon^{or} will be pleased to
think that I shall conscientiously obey His Majesty's Commands by paying
him all possible Respect during his Stay here & on every other Occasion
I am with the greatest Gratitude Myself & Ours obliged & most devotedly
Yours

Copy of 23^d Letter to Mr Calvert dated the 10th of April
transmitted by the way of Phila.

1st Sir By an Express just going to Phila. I put this Letter on Board
a ship that is expected to sail from that port in about 3 weeks
lest the ship by which I purpose to send Packets to His Majesty &
yourself should not arrive at London so soon tho' she is to sail hence
before the ship from Phila. I am sorry to acquaint you that
little regard has been paid by the Lower House to his Majesty's Requisition
concerning an Amendment of the Inspection Law which I enforced
by a Message as soon as I received his Majesty's Instructions
with how great Concern must I advise you also of the Issue
of our last Session of Assembly which concluded the 26th of last
month. After a Month had been spent in sending Messages from
one House to the other (those from the Gent^l of the Upper House
containing Objections to the Bill offered for granting a Sum of
Money for His Majesty's Service & supporting those Objections, &
those from the other Gent^l to enforce the Bill they had offered)
The Upper House put an End to the Dispute by rejecting the
Bill absolutely chiefly on Account of its farther mortgaging &
appropriating the Ordinary Licences, whereupon the Burgesses
came to a Resolution (which they would not be inclined by two Messages