

This time, all carried up & I expect they will leave Mills-Creek, march
Westward some Day next week. I have not been advised by either
of the Governours how nearly the Corps forming in the Northern Govts
are completed tho' I hear the Boies go on briskly, I expect to receive
Letters informing me, of their Success in Nova Scotia every Day. The
Assemblies of Virginia & Pennsylvania are now sitting but I have not learnt
what is likely to be the Issue of their Meeting - I am now to acquaint
your Ex^{ty} with the Decease of Colo. Plater a Member of your
Ex^{ty}'s Council, who had lately the Honour to be distinguished by Mr
Calvert's Commission to him as Secretary. By this Ex^{ty} another Seat
becomes vacant in your Ex^{ty}'s Council, & your Ex^{ty} will be also
pleas'd to signify whom your Ex^{ty} approves of as his Successor in the
in the other Office according to your Ex^{ty}'s late Instructions Mr Darnall
enjoys the Place of Office of Adjutant & Mr Graham the Naval Office of
Pocomoke & is also Surveyor General of the Eastern Shore, but as Mr Young
son of the late Judge of the Land Office, has married Mr Graham for
whose Benefit Mr Charles Graham by your Ex^{ty}'s Command held these
Offices perhaps it may please your Ex^{ty} to order the Commissions to
Mr Young himself which I submit to your Ex^{ty} & am &c

Copy of the 2^o Letter to Mr Calvert dated the 22^o of May 1755
transmitted by Capt from Virginia

Not more than a month since I had writ you an account of the Issue of the
Assemblies Meeting in February last as you will perceive by the inclosed
Letters but there having been a prodigious Drought ever since that time
that prevented the Planters preparing or packing their Tobs the Ships that
should have sailed so long ago are not yet dispatched which obliges me to
seize this Opportunity of Conveyance by the boay of Virg^a. I waited on
the General from Frederickton to Potowmack where he stop'd that
River in the Road to Winchester the 2^o of May. Colo. Dunbar as
well as Colo. Malletts Regiment had marched a few Days before for
Mills-Creek. They have met with a good Deal of Difficulty in getting
the Stores thither - on account of the Scarcety of Waggons in these Parts,