

heard any farther Accounts of his Success, which makes us afraid that
the Rest of the French Fleet have given him the Slip - You had
with receive the Journals of the two Houses Proceedings at their last
Meeting, the Votes are not yet printed: I have been told that some of
the Members who govern Affairs in the lower House are very busy in
promoting an Association among them & their Adherents & persuading them
to engage at their own Expence to bring the Affair of the Ordinary Licences
& the Roman Catholics to a Hearing before his Majesty's Council for w^{ch}
purpose it is said two of the Bourgeois who have approved themselves
Patriots are to embark for England as soon as a sufficient Association
is formed to bear the Expence of such a Proceeding. It is long since I
had the Satisfaction to hear from you which makes me apprehend
some Letter has miscarried. Please to deliver the inclosed & believe me to be

Yours
Lord, Baltimore

My Lord
In my Lett dated the 23 of July I gave your Ldp an
acco^t of General Braddock's Misfortune near the Banks of the Monon-
gahela & acquainted your Ldp that I was then proceeding towards Hills-
Creek, principally with a view of Encouraging the distant Inhabitants to
remain on their Plantations which the Terror of the Indians Incursions
& the alarming News of the Generals ill Success inclined them to
relinquish & desert. Those that I met flying from the Frontiers I
prevailed on to return back & by ordering some small Forts to be built
at proper Distances from each other in the Western Part of Frederick
County whereunto the People may resort in case of Alarms, I hope
I have made & left them pretty well satisfied & contented. Each of those
Forts I have garrisoned with a few Men who have my Orders to
patrol from one to the other & keep the Communication free & open.
These Men I am enabled to support by a subscription that has