

with the Advice of your Lords & Council I prorogued them for a few
Days & then convened them to Baltimore Town which was the only
Place in the Province where they could be well accommodated or entertain-
ed. I desired your L^{ds} will receive Copies of my Speech at the
Opening of the Session & of the Addresses that were presented in Answer
thereto. I have also sent Mr. Calvert the Titles of all the Acts that
were passed the Acts themselves being not yet printed. Your L^{ds} may
be pleased to remember that by the Plan of which I transmitted a
Copy from Phila^a 500 Men were required & called as the quota
of Maryland for the Service of the ensuing Campaign; to this Pur-
pose the Assembly has with some Reluctance empowered me to augment
the Troop in the pay of the Province. I have accordingly given
Orders for raising two additional Companies, but I am afraid I
shall not see them completed this Summer tho' by way of Incitement
to the Gentlemen who are Recruiting I have promised the highest Com-
mission to those that engage most Men by a certain limited time. All
that remained unexpended of the £4000 that was granted last Year
is now appropriated to support these Men except the Sum of £400
which is reserved to pay for any Enemy Indians that shall be taken
Prisoners & for the Scares of such as shall be killed. While the Assembly
was sitting I received a Letter from a Party of Cherokee Indians who
had just come to Fort Frederick, I send Your Lordship a Copy
thereof together with one of the Reports that has been made to me
by the Gentlemen whom I appointed to carry them my Answer & to

Deliver