

for London from this Province. It is now more than three Years since
Governor Dinwiddie advised me that the Legislature of Virginia had
passed an Act for erecting a Light House on Cape Henry & desired me
to recommend it to our Assembly to make one to the same Purport that
the Expence might be born equally by all the Ships trading into the Bay
of Chesapeake. The Journal of the Proceedings of the Lower House of
Assembly during the Session that was held in 1756 will shew that I recom-
mended it to them at that time to take the matter into Consideration
& to prepare such a Bill as they should judge necessary for the purpose,
they declined however at that time to come into the Scheme which the
Virginians had proposed & which is in itself an exceeding good One, & the
Answer the Gentlemen of the Lower House gave me together with what
many of them dropt in private Conversation gives me great Reason to
apprehend that they will never be prevailed on to prepare such a Bill
as may be requisite for the Purpose, I shall however recommend it to
them again at their next Session & at the same time intimate to them
what they may expect in case they should refuse to come into so reason-
able a proposal. I observe what You say of Colo Loyd's having
too much Business of his own, to devote so much of his time as might
be necessary to the Management of His Lordship's Affairs, & I believe
Your Supposition is not without foundation, but at the same time I
know that Colo Loyd will never choose to resign any Office of Profit while
he can hold it & therefore it signifies Nothing to talk of his Resignation.
If His Lordship is dissatisfied with Colo Loyd's Conduct, is determined to
have another Agent or Agents appointed, I will upon His Lop's signifying
his Pleasure for me to do so appoint the Gentlemen You mention or
Mr W^m Goldborough if You please in the Stead of Mr Holliday, not