

N^o 7 To Lord Hillsborough. Annapolis 4th Sept. 1760

My D^d

On the Receipt of Your Ldp's Letter bearing Date the 30 of April & the Copies of Letters & Papers therewith transmitted, relative to the Murder of William Odgers I have sent Orders to the Sheriffs of the several Counties within this Province by themselves & Deputies to make strict Enquiry whether such Person as Melchisedech Thinsman is described to be, hath lately appeared in their Counties & if he should be discovered to secure him & give Me immediate Notice, if such a Person should come hither in order to become an Inhabitant he must I think be very soon found out, Should he be discovered taken here - Nothing shall be wanting on my part to have such a Villain brought to Justice. - I am with due Respect &c

N^o 8 To Lord Hillsborough. Annapolis. 5th Sept. 1760

My D^d

I am honoured with the Lett. Your Ldp was pleased to write to Me the 14 of May in consequence of a Representation which had been made to Your Ldp by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs in America that their Officers had met with great Obstructions & were deterred from exerting themselves in the Execution of their Duty, in answer to which I beg leave to inform Your Ldp that I am confident no Complaint of that sort can have been made by any of the Officers of His Majesty's Customs within this Province for had any Obstruction been given them they would doubtless have themselves informed Me, or I should have heard it from other Persons, nor indeed do I think there is at present any Disposition in the People here to deter them from doing their Duty or to encourage any illicit Traders, if on any Occasion hereafter either of the Officers should apply for or stand in need of my Support or Assistance Your Ldp may depend on my giving them all the Assistance in my power. I am My D^d

N^o 9 To Lord Hillsborough. Annapolis 12th Sept. 1760

My D^d

I am favoured with Your Ldp's Lett. dated the 5 July advising Me that in pursuance of His Majesty's pleasure You should give constant Attendance in a four place at the Board of Trade & that as Your Ldp should lay before that Board such Matters arising out of my Correspondence