

for Customs which was passed here in the Year 1766. perhaps You may
on further Search discover something or other relative to it; for as it was
an Act of such great consequence to the Id. Propriety not only a Copy
of it but also Letters concerning the manner of its being obtained, (which
I am told was uncommon) were undoubtedly transmitted by Leonard Cal-
vert Esq. the then Governor. I have already sent You Copies of all the
Papers & all the Intelligence I can get here concerning Talbot or Musquahanna
Mannour: Doubtless it is a very confused Affair & how to bring it out of
Confusion I know not; The Lawyers here seem to think that it will be
difficult for any Persons who are not in Possession to establish their Title
to the Mannour as Heirs or by Virtue of Deeds from either the Patentee
or his Son, & that will be as difficult for His Ldp to get Possession of
any more of the Mannour if the Pensilvanians & others that occupy Parts of
it are determined to dispute his Title & Entry. To what the Difference
between the Stewards Rent Roll, or List of Tenants returned me, & the An-
nual Amount of the Rents of that Mannour for which Col. Loyal gives
His Ldp Credit is owing I know not; that matter Col. Loyal alone can
explain: You'll be pleased to observe that that Part of the Mannour
which is held by Pensilvanians does not lye on the Bay of Chesapeake, nor
on any navigable Water, but as I have already hinted, some Miles to the
Northward of it: I shall be extremely glad to hear that Your Endea-
vour to obtain Relief for the Maryland Troops was with Success: It will
be hard indeed if the Demerits of the Assembly are attributed to those People
whose Ruin they have devised, & at whose Misfortunes they rejoice.