

I mean the late Brent Hall's Interest is so deep in the Opposition;
but as I have never heard that his Conduct on the Bench hath
been at any time partial or counter to the Proprietary's Interest
in particular, I do not think it would have been politick to strike
him out purely on Account of his Brother's & some other of his Relati-
ons Proceedings, for the People would have been then made to believe
that His Ldp was for making the Judges subservient to his Directi-
ons at the Pleasure of His Lieut. Govern. which Opinion was it to
prevail would probably be attended with ill Consequences & be the
Cause of a Bill's being brought into the Lower House to continue the
Judges of the Provincial Court during good Behaviour which is the
Form you know in England, & it is also established in some of the
Northern Colonies while the Justices of our Provincial Court are liable
to be removed at pleasure. As to Mr Darnall he I think must
be well disposed towards the Proprietary, I am sure he has great
Reason to be so; having long enjoyed a very good Office which he
owes to the Bounty of His Ldp's Father. Neither Col: Silghman's
Abilities nor his are remarkable, nor do they want Capacity. Mr Price
whom as he is Chief Justice I should have mentioned first, was as
I have been told appointed by Mr Ogle many Years ago to prevent
the Court's falling, there being not Magistrates enough present to
hold it & do Business. for point of Understanding I believe he is equal
to almost any on the Bench, & I suppose rather better acquainted with
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