

their Address) & the Additional Note or Memorandum at the Bottom of
that the Money which Mr Darnall hath collected on Account of the
abovementioned Duty, & has not remitted to the Trustees is little short of
£1900, besides which he owes I suppose to the Loan Office & Treasurer there
or four hundred Pounds Currency on Account of Duties paid him since Sept:
last for Negroes &c: imported into his District; & tho he did a few weeks
ago pay His Ldps Agent Bills of Exchange for £305, 10, 5 yet I find by
a Return which I received from his Deputy the 1st Inst that there is still
due on Account of the 1st & 11th of Ton & 11th of Tho collected by him since the 29th of
Sept: last almost £200 ftg besides more than £40 on Account of the three pence
of Ton payable to me as Lieut: Governor. You will learn from the Letter
that passed between Mr Bordley & me that upon the Discovery being made
Mr Darnall's two Sureties paid the penalty of his Office Bond which was
thereupon assigned over to them but notwithstanding such payment the Coun:
try will I suppose lose at least a Thousand Pounds by his Failure for tho
every Step will be taken agreeable to the Advice of the Upper House in Order
to indemnify the Publick yet I fear they will not avail, as I understand that
his real Estate was long ago mortgaged to its Value & he has since parted
with his personal. Being under a Necessity upon his Withdrawing himself
to appoint another Naval Officer of Potuacnt I granted a Commission to
Mr Ross who had previously consented & agreed to execute it by Deputy &
to account for the whole Tws except what such Deputy shall be allowed
untill the Ballance due to His Ldp & Myself is paid which (if His Ldp
approves of this Measure) it might be imagine in about two Years; Or if
You think it would be as agreeable to His Ldp I should be extremely glad
to have his permission in the Stead of Mr Ross to appoint his Son in Law
D^r Upton Scott (a Gent: well known I believe to Mr Key) Naval Officer of
Potuacnt, on the Conditions abovementioned, but not unless His Ldp would be
pleas'd