

kept the Parchments & Quoirs many weeks without favouring me with an
 answer to the Letter I had therewith sent him he was pleased just before
 he embarked to return them to me together with a Paper, which that You may
 be the better able to judge of his manner & of his Desire to give me Satisfaction
 I now inclose You, together with the Queries, not knowing really whether he
 intended the contents of it as a full answer to the Queries or for what purpose
 he sent it to me. Having since he embarked for England received such info-
 mation as leaves me no room to doubt but he is determined in case a Clerkship
 should become vacant to appoint his Brother in Law Mr Hedges of Cecil Coun-
 ty to such Office. I think it my Duty to intimate as much to You that if
 You should be averse to such a proceeding You may take proper Mea-
 sures to prevent it. The Person in question as I hinted to You in my Let-
 ter dated the 19th of April was about seven Years ago at the Instance of Mr
 Dulany appointed Sheriff of Cecil County, by which means You know he
 was authorized to collect the Quit Rents & several Taxes imposed by sundry
 Acts of Assembly but sorry am I to inform You that he would pay neither
 till compelled by a Suit at Law & tho he did upon being sued settle with
 the Agent for the Quit Rents he has not yet accounted for some of the Taxes
 that he collected which has laid me under the Necessity of Ordering the Hon-
 orable Genl to file a Bill in Chancery against him in order to bring him to
 account for the publick Money he has received, & in short his Behaviour in
 this & other Matters has been so shameful & scandalous that I am confident
 his being appointed to another Office would bring Reproach on the Adminis-
 tration & was he not so nearly related to Mr Dulany, the latter must have rather
 thought him a fit Object of Contempt & of the Government's Disrespect
 than of Confering on him another lucrative Office. As I doubt not but
 Mr Dulany conceives himself vested with a Right to bestow the Clerk-