

ships when they become vacant on whom he pleases, I thought it my
Duty to write to You so freely on this Subject lest You may otherwise
be imposed on, as to my own part I have no particular Person to recom-
mend, but it would grieve me to see such Offices bestowed on Persons who
have not by any one. Act merited the least favours from either the Lord pro-
prietary or myself, nor can I think Mr Dulany has performed such Services
as gives him a Right to expect & insist that all his Relations however unworthy
shall be provided for preferable to every Body else. In my Letter dated the
1st of March I remitted You a Bill of Exchange for £110, 2, 6 which was
£6, 17, 6 short of the Sum for which could I have got one I should have then
sent You a Bill, I therefore now inclose You a Bill on Mr Ryfel for
£76, 17, 6 & my own Draft on Mr Grove for £55, 16, 6 being for the
abovementioned Deficiency of the half year ending the Tenth of this Month.

To Lord Baltimore. Annapolis the 3^d of August 1761.

My Lord,

As I entertain hopes that the Letters which I did myself the honour to ad-
dress to Your Ldp. the 20th of April & 23rd of June last, of which I transmitted
Duplicates will be received before this can come to Your Ldp's hands I have
nothing to trouble Your Ldp. with at present except a Request of the Rev^d
Mr Swift who is at present Rector of Portobacco a very good Parish in Charles
County who being indisposed & of Opinion that he should enjoy a better State
of Health in Ireland his Native Country petitions for Leave to resign in favour
of one Mr Browne Rector of a less valuable Parish in St. Mary's County but this
was a Request to which I did not think myself at Liberty to return an Answer
till I should receive Your Ldp's Instructions. As to Mr Swift I hear Nothing worse
of him than that he is a very poor heavy Preacher, & I believe the Parishioners
would in that respect be by no means better off were Mr Browne to become their
Rector for him I have heard or rather seen in the Pulpit but if Mr Swift would