

consent our humble Addresses of Congratulation on the happy Event of their Majesty's
Nuptials. I am obliged to You for waving Mr Plater's Request; tho' as I think him a young
Gentleman of a good Disposition & have really a Regard for him I shall be glad if an
Opportunity offers to oblige him. With respect to old Mr They I profess there are very
few Gentlemen in the Province for whom I have so great a Regard, You may remem-
ber that many Years ago mentioned him as a Gentleman worthy of a Seat at the
Council & should be much pleas'd if when another Vacancy happens His Ldp will fill it
with that Gentleman. I think You intimated to me some time ago that His Ldp would
have no Objection to my appointing his Son when he shall return hither from the Temple
Attorney General. As to the Tilghman Family those of them who have been in the Lower
House have acted such a Part since the Dismission of the late Rent Roll Keeper that
it would be very ill policy in my Opinion to court them, that their ill Behaviour hath
been in some measure owing to the Suggestions of some who were afraid lest that Family
should recommend themselves to the Govern't & become competitors with them I am much
inclined to believe, but whatever their Motive was, since they have thought fit to distin-
guish themselves in the Opposition, Let them meet with the Award due to such a
Mode of Proceeding, & let others by that Family's living undistinguished be made sen-
sible that Opposition is no longer to be the Road to Preferment. I observe what You
say in Answer to my Remarks on the Scheme proposed last Session in the Lower House
for establishing a College here, & shall not fail to pay due Regard to His Ldp's plea-
sure by You so often signified on the Subject of Ordinary Lycences in case their
Scheme should be again brought on the Carpet. I received both the Theodolite & In-
pod, also Mr Robinson's Answers to the Pennsylvania Gentlemen's Queries which
serve to confirm me in the Suspensions I entertain'd when I told You I believ'd they
would be for running an Arch of a Great Circle, instead of a Parallel of Latitude
for our Northern Boundary, I cannot but smile to see how vastly Dr Owen & Mr
Robinson differ in their Definition of a true East & West Line. Had His Ldp hap-
pened to have consulted Mr Robinson & the Proprietors of Pennsylvania, to have