

my part very apprehensive they will the Cause being already become a very popular One. Mr Allen tells me he is satisfied that both His Ldps & You were before he left England not only apprized of the Proviso in the Act of 1702 against Pluralities but that You had well considered it & were clearly of Opinion it would never operate so as to restrain His Ldps Right under the Charter & the Canon Law to bestow on his Chaplain more than one Living nevertheless it could have wished he would have been satisfied to remain as he was until I could be favoured with His Ldps farther Instructions for if My Lord should be averse to supporting Mr Allens Pretensions against the Assembly It would be much better they had never been set up & Mr Allen will, I dare say in such Cases be greatly mortified. You would see by the Letter I transmitted to You the 27 of Nov. that he was then very angry with Mr Dulany, a Paper signed as Bystander has been since published in the Gazette (by him as it is said) to prove that every Member of the Council is disqualified to be a Vestryman & he endeavoured it seems to have Mr Dulany excluded but could not succeed. the Attempt to do so has prejudiced many against him & their Prejudices will make them give Credit to any Story that may be reported to his Disadvantage. As the Assembly will not meet till pretty late in May I hope to receive before that time His Ldps particular Instructions how to conduct Myself for the Lower House. will certainly then take up the Dispute as both Mr Worthington & Mr Johnson are warm about it & have considerable Influence amongst the Members. You will see by the inclosed Papers called the Pennsylvania Farmers Letters which are republished in all the Colonies how solicitous some People are to rouse once more the Resentment of the Americans against the Mother Country on account of the Act of Parliament imposing a Duty on Glass & that suspending the Legislative Power of New York, but they have not hitherto had any great Effect nor do I think they will unless some other Act of a similar Nature should be made at the next Session. I am apprehensive from the Accounts given Us in the last Penns Gazette that We shall not be long without another Indian War, They have it seems been for some time very much discontented & I wish a cruel Murder that was very lately committed on Ten of them in Pennsylvania might not at once provoke them to commence Hostilities, a parcel of Refugees & Out-Laws from the several Provinces have from time to time resorted to & made Settlements at a Place called Red Stone Creek in the Western Parts of Pennsylvania beyond the Allegany Mountain contrary to His Majestys Proclamation, they have been ordered off both by the Gov of Pennsylvania & the Commandant at Pittsburg but signified in answer that they were determined to remain