

are reported of him by Mr Jordan that I question whether he will choose to act again in any public Station, or least he altogether declined giving any Attendance at this last Session. As I consider the Appointment of Gentlemen to the Council, as a Matter of Great Importance, both to This Ld^r of the Province I must beg a little time to deliberate before I recommend, nor am I sure that Those I may judge most fit will qualify especially if while the Lower House treat them as too much dependant to be at liberty to judge for themselves they are to be censured by others for considering themselves as free Agents or in a State above that of absolute Dependance, a light in which I am confident This Ld^r himself never wish'd to have them seen, nor can I for my part conceive, what good Purpose can be answered, by lessening the Respect that has been heretofore thought to be due either to This Ld^r's Lieut Governor or the Gentlemen composing his Council. While the Assembly was sitting I took several Opportunities to talk with some of the Members from Somerset & Worcester Counties on the Claim set up by the Vestry of Coventry Parish & the Opposition which has been made to Mr Fough's taking Possession of his Church & from the Assurances they have given Me I doubt not but soon after their Return home the Dispute will subside & Peace & Harmony be again restored in that Part of the Province. I am &c

Copy of a Letter to Lord Baltimore. Annapolis 23 June 1768 transmitted by Capt Purdye

My Ld [Since I did myself the honour to address a Letter to your Ld^r the 15th of last Month I have wrote two or three in a hurry to Mr Hamersley advising him of some Occurrences with which I presume he will acquaint your Ld^r particularly with my having upon the Death of Mr Bacon inducted Mr Allen into All Saints Parish in Frederick County with an account of the Opposition that was made by some