

add that by such Appointment I rather obliged than disobliged him; he had
as you say in your Letter of the 13 of August 1767 before that time desired
you to advise my Lord of his Intention to resign, he had lately expressed to
me an earnest Desire to be quit of His Ld's Affairs & was determined
that none with whom he was intimately connected should ever be con-
cerned with them again, as Mr Jordan it seems was given to understand
when he offered the Colonel's Son to procure for him the Agency if his Father
would only continue in the Office long enough for him to write to my Lord
on his Behalf. As I fear I have already tired your Patience while I have
been endeavouring to excuse myself for issuing the Commission to Mr Allen
I shall be very short with respect to the other Step by which I have been
so unfortunate as to incur His Ld's Displeasure. After Col Lloyd had
given a Major Jenifer (his Deputy in Annapolis) to understand that he
should resign his two Offices as soon as a final Settlement could be made
between him & the Commissioners authorized to audit his Accounts, Mr Tashers
the late President applied to me on the Major's Behalf desiring he might
be appointed Keeper of the Rent Roll, I answered that I was satisfied no
Person in the Province was better qualified for that Office than the Gentleman
he recommended, that I thought his Services to the Government & his Beha-
viour towards the Proprietary & myself entitled him to it, & that I should
not fail to write to my Lord or yourself in his favour which you may
remember I did in my Letter of the 29 of Nov^r surprized at your
telling me that a Major Jenifer informed you by a Letter bearing Date
so long ago as the 25 of Dec^r that I had then appointed him Keeper
of the Rentals on the Western Shore I communicated to him that part
of your Letter whereupon he assures me that he never in his Life wrote
for you till the 25 of March last (that the Letter was not transmitted
before April) when it seems he informed you that I had (viz on that
very Day) authorized him to take Charge of the Rent Roll & expressed his
hopes that thro your good Offices he might be continued Keeper of it.
On Colonel Lloyd's Resignation it was necessary that some Person should be
appointed to keep the Rent Roll & it was not till after Mr Allen had
refused it that I desired a Major Jenifer as I expressed myself to you the 24
of Febr'y to take Charge of it till His Ld's Pleasure respecting that
Office could be communicated to me. Unapprized as I was of His Ld's

favourable