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Gentleman together with a letter directed to His Excellency the Governor,
the contents of both which are read and ordered to be entered Viz.

Mr. Clapham

Please to convey to the Governor this Letter which is an
answer to yours of the 11th Ult, from your Sr. B. Allen
May 13th 1769

Sir,

May 13th 1769

By an Order of the Board of Revenue dated March 25th
and delivered to me this Day, I find they determine my accounts
sent in the 29th of March to be very irregularly stated, and refer
me for Information to Mr. John Clapham their Clerk. Mr. Meri-
withers, my late Clerk, left my Books unsettled, upon my refusal
to comply with an extortionate Demand of 20 Guineas for the settle-
ment over and above his Wages at the rate of £100 Sterling of Amos.

I have applied to many Persons to compleat the Settlement but
have not been able to procure one who understands the Method.
If Mr. Clapham will undertake to settle the Books upon the Plan
they were begun (as I mean nothing but the Justest Account
with Lord Baltimore) he may have free access to my Office
for that Purpose, and he must be satisfied for his Trouble out of
Mr. Meriwethers Wages: Part of whose Business it was to Post
and Balance the whole to the Time of his Dismission & whom
I repeatedly solicited to do so in order to my sending in a general
Account long since. I am

Sir your Excellency's most Obedient
Humble Servant
B. Allen

The Board adjourns til Fryday the 26th Instant