

surviving Trustee would be agreeable to the Province they gave it as their opinion that such Appointment would be quite satisfactory those Gentlemen being in the Mercantile Phrase look't on here to be at least as good Men as any that trade to the Province. Inclosed you will receive a Petition to His Ldp from Doctor Steuart for Leave to take up a small quantity of Vacant Land that is contiguous to a Plantation of his about four Miles from Annapolis the Land is indeed very indifferent & I think it His Lordships Interest to grant His Request. I likewise send you a Petition from two People in S^t Mary's County who have forfeited their Recognizances, the Justices have certified to Me that what is set forth in the Petition is true & as levying the Whole would almost ruin them I hope His Ldp will at least remit a part of the Forfeiture. I am &c.

Letter Bk. V

[Hamersley to Sharpe.]

Serj^{'ts} Inn London 14th April 1768. Original.S^r

M^r Samuel Chamberlaine, Naval Officer of Oxford and one of the Lord Proprietarys Council, has Applied to his Lordship, in Consideration of his Age and long Services, for leave to Resign the Naval Office, in favor of his son Samuel Chamberlaine; Intimating that he has already made his request known to your Excellency, But, as his Lordship has not heard from you upon the Subject, and is much Inclined to Gratify M^r Chamberlaine in a request, which appears so reasonable upon the face of it, I have the honor of his Commands to direct M^r Chamberlaine to renew his Application to your Excellency, & to desire you will please to Gratify him in it, unless you see any good reasons to the Contrary, which you will please to Communicate to his Lordship as I am with all due regard & esteem.

S^rYo^r Excell^{'ys}Most Obed^t & Faithful HbleServ^tHoratio Sharpe Esq^r

Hugh Hamersley

[Sharpe to Baltimore.]

Letter Bk. V

To Lord Baltimore.

Annapolis 19. April 1768.

My Ld

M^r Jordan being now on his Departure for England I have desired him to take Charge of Bills of Exchange to the Amount of £2569 3 11³/₄ being the exact Ballance due to your Ldp to this time on Account of the Payments which have been made to us as acting under your Ldp's several Commissions for