

and what I can never Imagine that the Kings and the
Countrys Interest are at any time diffrent or interfere wth each
other I hope w^{thout} Vanity I may be allowed to Know his
Maj^{tyes} private Sentaments in this as well as any wthin yo^r wals
I am Sure my instructions are not the Least poynting that
way but the Contrary. I take the Liberty to mention this to
you that there may not Arise the Least Misunderstanding
amongst us but that wee May all Embarque and Ioyne in our
Duty to his Maj^{tye} and the well fare of this Province w^{ch} I take
to be inseperable I doe very Much Ioy to find this Province has
been soe well inclined in Endeavouring the promotion of the
Church of England you have made very Great advances that
way to your Eternall Credit and Praise and I assure I will
Ioyne my heart & hand in the Advancem^t of it.

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Gent: as to my owne particular I shall say but Little being a
Stranger amongst you but I shall Endeavour that my Actions
may be the Most Convincing Proofs of my intentions &
inclinations to Assert the Interest of this Province & of
doing you all the Iustice you Can desire or hope for

I shall Looke upon all man Kind that haue approved
themselves his Maj^{tyes} Good Subjects as a faire Sheett of paper
for I doe not Come wth any ill Conceived opinion or prejudice
to any pson I have now been Six Months amongst you in w^{ch}
time Severall things of Moment have occurred wherein my
proceedings hitherto will I hope Stand the Test of any who
haue the Curiosity to Enquire into them wth the Strictest
Scrutiny and if at any time I shall Chance to Make an Irregular
Step It will be my Misfortune and not my fault & I shall allways
be soe far from taking it amiss that I shall rather Esteeme it
a Marke of yo^r Kindness to Signifye it to me then otherwise.

Gent: All I have to recomend to you at p^rsent is that wee
may readily Ioyne together wth all Chearfullness to Dispatch
the Business w^{ch} Occassions this our Meeting

Which being Ended his Ex^{cy} was Pleassed to Deliver to
M^r Speaker a Coppy thereof and allsoe a Coppy of his Maj^{tyes}
Royall instructions to him for their P^rusall when M^r Speaker
and the house having taken their Laws returne to their house
where M^r Speaker haveing taken the Chaire

Resolved that M^r Speaker draw up an humble & thankfull
Answ^r to his Ex^{cys} Speech & prepare & bring in the Same
to Morrow Morning

Ord^d that the Coppy of his Maj^{tyes} Royall instructions be
read w^{ch} accordingly were read as followeth (viz)

2: And that it may be the better understood what Laws &
Acts are in force in his Maj^{tyes} said Province of Maryland you
are with the Assistance of the Councill their to take Care that
all Laws now in force be revised and Considered & if their