

wrote in such a manner as to induce the Proprietors of that Province to Complain to His Ldp of Violence offered to their Tenants by some of the Inhabitants of this Province. The Transcripts which I shall herewith transmit (if M<sup>r</sup> Ross can get them ready) & mark with the Letter D will I believe convince you that the Mess<sup>rs</sup> Penns had in fact very little Cause to complain & that all possible means have been taken by me to prevent any Disputes between the Inhabitants of the two Provinces for the future at least between those who live in Worcester & Sussex Counties. Being unwilling to trouble you with an imperfect Account I declined Writing to you on this Affair expecting that the Gentlemen of the Council would before this time have made a full Report to me upon all the Letters & Depositions which I have laid before them, but they have hitherto delayed doing it for want of some Information which M<sup>r</sup> Dulany & Col<sup>o</sup> Henry were in hopes of being able to get from Sussex County & which they have not as yet obtained. I am sorry you could not find that Act for Customs which was passed here in the year 1646, perhaps you may on farther Search discover something or other relative to it, for as it was an Act of such great Consequence to the Ld Propy not only a Copy of it but also Letters concerning the manner of its being obtained (which I am told was uncommon) were undoubtedly transmitted by Leonard Calvert Esq<sup>r</sup> the then Governor. I have already sent you Copies of all the Papers & all the Intelligence I can get here concerning Talbot or Susquehannah Mannour. Doubtless it is a very confused Affair & how to bring it out of Confusion I know not; The Lawyers here seem to think that it will be difficult for any Persons who are not in Possession to establish their Title to the Mannour as Heirs or by Virtue of Deeds from either the Patentee or his Son, & that twill be as difficult for His Ldp to get Possession of any more of the mannour if the Pensilvanians & others that occupy Parts of it are determined to dispute his Title & Entry. To what the Difference between the Steward's Rent Roll or List of Tenants returned me & the annual Amount of the Rents of that Mannour for which Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd gives His Ldp Credit is owing I know not, that matter Col<sup>o</sup> Lloyd alone can explain; You'll be pleased to observe that That Part of the Mannour which is held by Pensilvanians does not lye on the Bay of Chesopeak nor on any navigable Water, but as I have already hinted some Miles to the Northward of it. I shall be extreemly glad to hear that Your Endeavours to obtain Relief for the Maryland Troops met with Success; 'twill be hard indeed if the Demerits of the Assembly are attributed to those People whose Ruin they have devised & at whose Misfortunes they rejoice.

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