

Therefore Your Petitioner humbly hopes that your Excellency and Honours will in tender Compassion to this distressed Widow and Seven Children take the Premises into Consideration, and if to your Excellency and Honours it should seem meet that your Petitioner should on Behalf of the Widow and Orphans reimburse the said William Lyon, what he may have paid for the said Escheat and order that the said Land and Improvements be exposed to publick Sale to the best Bidder, and the Produce thereof (after deducting the Money so advanced) may be deposited in the Hands of his Lordships Commissary General for the Benefit of the Widow and Orphans of the said Duchart. Your Petitioner will readily and willingly submit thereto, or to such Directions, as you shall be Pleased to give, and

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Your Petitioner as in Duty bound  
shall ever Pray &c<sup>a</sup>

[Endorsed on back] By the Upper house of Assembly 20 April  
1757 Read and Rejected

Signed p Order J Ross Cl Up Ho

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### THE DARNALL DEFALCATION

[CORRESPONDENCE, APRIL-JULY 1761, BETWEEN GOVERNOR SHARPE, ATTORNEY-GENERAL STEPHEN BORDLEY, AND THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LOAN OFFICE, BEARING ON THE DARNALL DEFALCATION, WHICH LETTERS SHARPE REQUESTED THE LOWER HOUSE TO ENTER IN THE JOURNAL OF ITS PROCEEDINGS. AS THE HOUSE FAILED TO DO SO, THESE FIVE LETTERS, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER CORRESPONDENCE APPEARING IN THE JOURNAL, WERE ORDERED PRINTED IN PAMPHLET FORM BY THE GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL.]

Annapolis, the 28th April, 1761.

Sir,

Being satisfied by a Report of the Committee for Inspecting the Paper Currency, which the Upper House of Assembly presented to me Yesterday in the Afternoon, and by a Petition which hath been sent me by John Darnall and Charles Carroll, Esquires, that Mr. Henry Darnall, the Naval Officer of Patuxent, hath been Guilty of a great Breach of Duty, and hath failed to remit to the Trustees in England, sundry Sums of Money which he ought to have remitted,

Province  
of Maryland  
By Governor  
and Council  
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