

Scoundrel took him by the Collar draggd him to the Door & put him out telling him to go & learn better Manners before he came to a Gentleman's House again, & shut the Door. M^r Allen attempting to come in again & pushing the Door partly open M^r Chew struck at him with a Stick. M^r Edmondson continuing at M^r Chews the next Morning he received a Letter from M^r Allen inclosing one from M^r Allen to M^r Chew which M^r Chew without opening as soon as he knew it came from M^r Allen threw in the Fire.

[Sharpe to Hamersley.]

Letter Bk. V

Copy of Letter to M^r Hamersley Annapolis 11th Feb^{ry}
1768 transmitted by Captain Price to Bristol.

D^r Sir

The Bristol Ship which I expected was ready to sail when I wrote to you the 2^d of Jan^y having been frozen up a few Days afterwards & detained here ever since I now transmit by her a Letter to His Ldp advising him of an unlucky Affair that happened lately between the Rev^d M^r Allen & One M^r Chew a Vestry Man of S^t James's Parish to which I have now at M^r Allens Request given him an Induction & he thinks he shall in spite of all Opposition be able to keep possession of both that & this & seems determined to try his Title at Law in Case either of the Vestries should contest it which I am for my part very apprehensive they will the Cause being already become a very popular One. M^r Allen tells me he is satisfied that both His Ldp & you were before he left England not only apprized of the Provisoe in the Act of 1702 against Pluralities but that you had well considered it & were clearly of Opinion it could never operate so as to restrain His Ldp's Right under the Charter & the Canon Law to bestow on his Chaplain more than one Living nevertheless I could have wished he would have been satisfied to remain as he was until I could be favoured with His Ldps farther Instructions for if My Lord should be averse to supporting M^r Allens Pretensions against the Assembly It would be much better they had never been set up & M^r Allen will I dare say in such Case be greatly mortified. You would see by the Letter I transmitted to you the 27th of Nov^r that he was then very angry with M^r Dulany, a Paper signed a Bystander has been since published in the Gazette (by him as it is said) to prove that every Member of the Council is disqualified to be a Vestryman & he endeavoured it seems to have M^r Dulany excluded but could not succeed. the Attempt to do so has prejudiced many against him & their Prejudices will make them give Credit to any Story that may be reported to his Disadvantage. As the Assembly will not