

to consider the Affair having communicated to each of them the Substance of what you wrote to Me relative to the several Claimants. Mr Dulany tells me that he thinks it was suggested when a Suit was depending some years ago in the Provincial Court between Persons contending about a Tenement on that Mannour that there was an Illegitimacy in the Pedigree of a Mr Plunket who was set up as Heir at Law & he seems at present to be of Opinion that neither of the Claimants you mention will be able to recover on a Suit brought in the Province. A Day or two after I had sent on board the Letter I address't to you the 24th of Feb^{ry} I had the pleasure to receive One from His Ldp bearing Date the 2^d of December, & have since been favoured with another from His Ldp by a Ship that arrived here the 8th Ult after a Passage of seventeen Weeks. I have now done myself the honour to write to His Ldp in answer to both, & have at the same time remitted His Ldp Seconds of Bills of Exchange amounting to £2569 3 11³/₄ Firsts of which will be presented to him by Mr Jordan who is already gone to Virginia in order to embark there for England. From Mr Jordan His Ldp will likewise receive an Account of the Proceedings of the Commissioners whom His Ldp was pleased to appoint to examine & settle His Agents Accounts, & also a Report of what has been done by us under the Commission empowering us to sell his several Mannours; but lest any Accident should happen to the Ship in which Mr Jordan takes his Passage Mr Dulany & I have thought proper by this Opportunity to transmit such a State of the Sales of the Mannours as will shew His Ldp at one View how much Land has been already sold, at what price, the Amount of Deposits or Payments already made by the Purchasers, Amount of Disbursements for surveying &c. the Amount of Bills of Exchange remitted to this time & the Sums to be received & remitted hereafter. I shall likewise inclose you in order that you may lay it before His Ldp a Plan or Draft of a large Tract of Land which as His Ldp seemed desirous to have other Mannours laid out I have caused to be surveyed & reserved for that purpose. It lies as you will observe just beyond Fort Cumberland extending Northwards from the Bottom or Low Land lying on Potowmack to the Line that divides Pennsylvania from this Province & Westward so far as to include the Eastern Ridges of the Allegany Mountain. Some of the Land included as I am informed very good, other Parcells indifferent & a good deal hilly & broken, the Reason I ordered so large a Quantity to be included was that it might be at His Ldp's Choice to have either One or more Mannours laid out & because the good Land does not lye contiguous but in parcels, a quantity of good Land so large as four or