

he has gone to Albany, or taken any Journey for His Majesty or the Public Service. While I have been obliged to spend upwards of £500 <sup>ft</sup> on such Journeys & have not been reimbursed a Shilling. Indeed our Assembly is in this respect a hundred times worse than the Pensilvanians for they have never declined paying any Expence that their Governors or Commissioners have been at in holding Treaties with Indians or journeying to the Frontiers the such Expences have within these three Years amounted to many thousands pounds, but at a time of peace; or would our Assembly make a reasonable Allowance for my extraordinary Expences on these Occasions, I would not complain, the same obliged to pay so much to Mr Calvert out of my Salary which no Governor before 1751 ever did; but really what with the Burthen of these Expences & other incidental Charges which the late Ld Baltimore used to make an Allowance for out of the Times & Forfeitures but which I defray out of my own purse, I really believe I am as ill off as any Governor on the Continent except those that are elective in some of the New England Republican Governments. As His Ldp has lately writ to me desiring I will, by some means or other get £100 <sup>ft</sup> a Year remitted to me Mr Wogan a Friend of His I am determined by the next Opportunity to acquaint his Ldp with the Difficulties that I already labour under; as do also all the principal Officers in His Ldp's Govern<sup>t</sup> for we pay to Mr Calvert as much as the places can bear & really if His Ldp will increase the Burthen some or other will be obstinate & endeavour by Violence to throw it entirely off. The Gent<sup>l</sup> who used to act as his Ldp's predecessor Secretaries in England were rewarded with £500 <sup>ft</sup> Ann<sup>y</sup> & that Sum was never increased till the late Ld's Decease, at this time we pay £700 <sup>ft</sup> & yet His Ldp tells me that he thinks it hard that when he has so many places in Maryland in his Gift he cannot procure an Annual Present of £100 for a Friend in England whom he has a great Desire to serve. I am apt to think that St Charles Mordaunt