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Gentlemen

London 19th April 1764.

Inclos'd We transmit You a Copy of a Bill relating to Paper Bills or Bills of Credit in America, it has been twice Read & Committed to a Committee of the whole House of Commons, — approv'd of by the Committee & their Report is to be made this afternoon to the House, therefore little or no doubt remains that it will pass into an Act of Parliament & the Royal Assent be given thereto the 19th Instant, the Words through which the lines are drawn shews how the Bill stood after the first reading, the Words inter=lined shews the alterations since made & the Bill perfected. We have reason to believe & flatter ourselves that it was our endeavours which proved so far successfull as to obtain those alterations in Consequence of the situation of the Paper Currency of Your Province and the Tax for Payment thereof. We endeavour'd to obtain a Clause to exempt Maryland intirely from being affected by this Bill, but could not succeed. — We think it incumbent on us thus early to apprize You of the present state of this Bill, that You may be enabled to take such steps as You see most proper to prevent any Ill Effects that might otherwise arrise from private advices. — We shall write You again in a few days. & are with Great Esteem.

Your humble Servants.

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2 May 1764

The foregoing is Copy of what we wrote You the 12th past. & sent that to Deal in order to be put on board the Munificence, but that Ship sailed through the Downes without stoping. it was put on board Capt Love, by whom we send You a Duplicate, so that You will receive both by the said Ship; We therein acquainted You of our expectations that an Act of Parliament would be made this Session relating Paper Bills of Credit, which has accordingly been done. & We herein send You the said Act printed for your Government. & are with Great Esteem.

Your humble Servants.

To Charles Hammond
George Stuart &
John Bullen Esqrs.

Good Hanbury