

unjust probate made of such Rights as we have seene & been Liber R. R.
informed, Wee doe therefore as well for the Ease benefitt & certainty of the Inhitants of this our Province, and other psons Inhabiting tradeing or resideing within the same, as also for the preservation of our owne just right, and property hereby fully resolve determine & ordeine that noe rights shall hereafter be proved admitted or allowed off for the takeing up of land within our s^d Province as formerly by the condicōns of Plantacōn of our late deare ffather Cecilius &c. of noble memory hath been accustomed but for the encouragem^t of any pson or psons Adventure or Adventures or others Inhabiting resideing or tradeing within this Province, Wee doe resolve determine & ordeine & hereby declare publish and make knowne that any pson or psons Adventuring tradeing Inhiting or resideing within this our Province, and willing to take up any land here shall for every ffifty acres of land he or they shall designe to take up as aforesaid pay or cause to be paid unto us or our heyres the just Quantity of one hundred pounds of tobacco in Cask together with two shillings sterling yearely Rent, unless on the Seaboard Side or the whorekills ffor every fifty acres whereof Any pson or psons takeing up such land shall onely pay for the same as afores^d the summe of ffifty pounds of Tobacco in Cask together with one shilling sterling yearely rent, and soe proportionably for any greater or lesser Quantity He or they first applying themselves to our Secrys of this our Province or other Officer or Officers thereunto appointed, and giveing good & Sufficent caution for the same as to him or them shall seeme meete. Hereby willing & requireing our s^d Scrcrys or other Officer or Officers as aforesaid upon such caution or security given to issue out warr^{ts} under the lesser seale of this our Province for any Quantity of land to any pson or psons Suitor or Suitors for the same in manner aforesaid: And to the end that this our will & pleasure may be made knowne, Wee doe hereby strictly charge & Command all & singular the Sheriffes of this our Province forthwith upon Receipt hereof to make publick Proclamation hereof in the most publick and Convenient places within their severall & respective Counties.

Given at our City of S^t Maries under the greate Seale of this our s^d Province the ffifteenth day of May in the Eighth yeare of our Dominion &c. Annoq Dmi One thousand Six hundred Eighty and Three.