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A Breviate of Captaine Claiborne's Petition to his Majestie.

May 1631 — April 1635.

16 May, 1631. His Majestie's Commission was granted to Captaine Clayborne and Partners.

¹⁷ Aug., ¹⁶31. The Ile of Kent was planted and soone after purchased of the Indyans as may appeare.

20 June, 1632. The Lord Baltimore obteyned a patent of land not cultivated nor planted.

June, 1633. Upon reference from the Kinge to the Lords. It was ordered that the Ile of Kent should not be included in Maryland Patent and that there should be free Trade.

27 Mar., 1634. Maryland was planted.

8 April, 1634. By proclamation they interdicted trade, surprised boates, some out of their lymitts.

²² July, 1634. The Lords wrott Letters to the Councell of Virginia, that his Maj^{tie} out of his royall favor was pleased to let them knowe that it was not intended the interest by which men had setled should be impeached, but to enjoy their estates and trades, yet this the Marylanders denyed.

8 Oct., 1634. Upon Complaints his Maj^{tie} was pleased to confirm the said Commission by his royall Letters, declaring that it was contrary to Justice, and his Maj^{ties} intention in the said Lords Patent, commanding them not to molest us, yet they slighted the Commission, and Letter, and though they were made acquainted with them, tooke our boates and goods.

5 April, 1635. By this meanes we were brought to extreme want of Corne that some were nere starved; and thereupon sending a small boate to redemand our vessels, they slew 3 of our men and hurte 3 more.

April, 1635. They have ever since hindered us in our Trade. They have accused the petitioners unjustly of many crimes and conspired against him, to his utter undoeing as he can make appeare.

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Present

Sir John Harvey K' Gov'
Cap' John West
Cap' Sam' Mathew
Cap' Claiborne
M' W' Farrar

Cap^t John Utie Cap^t Thos. Purfry Capt Hugh Bullock Cap^t W^m Perry