

Plantacōn if not timely prevented And whereas vpon com- Liber H. II.  
plaint made thereof by the said Lord Baltemore the matter  
was by his Highnesse the Lord Protector refferred first to the  
Lords Com<sup>rs</sup> Whitlocke & Widdrington Who's report thereof  
was afterward referred by the Councell to the Com<sup>tee</sup> for  
Trade who made theyr report also there vpon to his High-  
nesse & Councell but they by reason of theyr greate affaires  
hauing not as yett leasure to consider of the said report the  
same remaines yett vndetermined & in the meane time the  
inhabitants of the said Province remaine in a very sad dis-  
tracted & vnsetled condicōn by reason of the said differences  
toucheing the sd Governm<sup>t</sup> there Therefore the said Lord Balte-  
more vpon a treaty with the sd Richard Bennett & Coll:  
Samuell Mathews occasioned by the freindly endeavours of  
Edward Diggs Esq<sup>r</sup> about the composure of the s<sup>d</sup> differences  
& in pursueance of the said report of the said Committe For  
Trade dated 16<sup>th</sup> of September 1656 hath for the good of the p. 11  
inhabitants of the said Province condescended & is willing to  
do as followeth. viz In case the said People in opposicōn to his  
Lō<sup>ps</sup> Government there as aforesaid shall forthwith vpon  
Notice heereof from his Lō<sup>ps</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> or Secretary there for the  
time beeing cease & forbear for the future from Executeing  
any act or power pertaineing to Government & administracōn  
of Justice within the said Province And shall deliver vp to his  
Lō<sup>ps</sup> said Govern<sup>r</sup> or Secretary aforesaid all records of the said  
Province now in theyr power. And also his Lō<sup>ps</sup> former Greate  
Seale of the said Province if it be to be found or procured by  
them And shall for the future giue all due obedience & sub-  
mission to his Lō<sup>ps</sup> Government there according to his Patent  
of the said Province that then his Lordship doth Promise

1. Imprimis that no offences or differences which haue arisen  
in Maryland vpon & since the said Controversies there shall be  
questioned by his Lō<sup>ps</sup> Jurisdicōn there in the said Province  
but shall be left to be determined by such ways & meanes as  
His Highnesse & the Councell shall direct.

2. Item that the said People in opposicōn as aforesaid shall  
haue Patents from his Lō<sup>p</sup> for such land in the said Province  
as they can claime due vnto them by his said Lō<sup>ps</sup> condicōns  
of plantacon & in the same manner & with all the same rights  
as they might haue had if the said Controversies & differences  
had not hapned any former Order Instrucōn Proclamacōns or  
any other thing proceeding from the said Lord Baltemore or  
any deriueing any Authority from him to the contrary heereof  
in any vise notwithstanding Provided that they & euery of  
them respectively who shall desire the same doe sue out theyr  
said Pattents for the said lands within Nine months after notice  
heereof given them by his Lō<sup>ps</sup> said Govern<sup>r</sup> or Secretary