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satisfye the Arreares of the province thy got a repeal enacted A<sup>o</sup> 61. and that the Charge of leavyinge any warr, should bee leavied uppon the province, then also came port duties proclayment. with severall other penall lawes with fines to the Lord proprietary; An<sup>o</sup> 1662 was out of gratuity for terms of years leavyed 25. lb. tob: pr poll to the lift<sup>n</sup> Gen<sup>ll</sup> Charles Calvert then com in Governor from his father Lord Proprietary. Ann<sup>o</sup> 64. was a Magazine leavied in his hands, for armes and ammunition, in cause of an invasion, and now thy gott the two shillings pr. hogsh<sup>d</sup> tobacco from the Merchants out of the country too, and wee must bear the burthen of Oppression and Taxation in all other respects whatsoever besids.

The now Lord Baltemore has gone to England to make fair weather and left his champions instructed to enforce that treacherous oath aboves<sup>d</sup> with an addition, uppon the King's Maj<sup>ty</sup>'s freeborn Subjects of England againe, som have taken it by perswasion, som by compulsion out of fear and treathnings, others and the most part will not take it, and thy are trethned with banishment and not protection of law, to bee prosecuted as mutinours and rebels, which causes a new disturbance and distraction amongst the people, and hereuppon wee doe appeal againe to owr gracious Kinge and parliament in England, and there pray produce that oath unfalsyfyed and iff y<sup>e</sup> escape there to be called traytors to ensnare and for subvertinge the freeborn subjects from the King's Majesty (onely due) Oath of Alleagiance and supremacy, unto the Lord proprietary, wee charge you with treachery and breach of covenant made by an express treaty and composition, made and agreed on, viz: between Cecilius primus proprietary, by his comission and instructions to his then lieftenant and cheef and principal secretary, Philip Calvert (now chancellor) under his Lordship's hand and greater seale of Armes bearing date the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November A<sup>o</sup> 1652 at London the one party: and Captain Josias Fendall his Lordship's governor with the Assembly for and in the behalfe off the freemen of Maryland, held at S<sup>t</sup> Leonards the 2 day of April 1658 the other party, upon which the Country (lost by reason of the said Oath by the seavorn fight abovesaid) was yeilded to his Lordship againe, namently: article 6: that the said Oath of fidelity should not bee pressed uppon the people within this province, but an engagement taken and subscribed viz.

Capt: Fendall & others can give a larger Acco if send for and examined. I. A. B. doe promes and engage to submitt to the Authority of the Right Hono<sup>ble</sup> Cæcilus Lord Baltemore, and his Heires within this province of Maryland, accordinge to his pattent of the said province, and to his present lieutenant and other officers here by his Lordship appointed, to whom I will be aidinge and