

How can it be sayd, those mens rights and interests are pre-
served, they being the first discoverers of that Iland by vertue
of the King's Commission, and planted there under the Gov-
ernment of Virginia, on the confidence they apprehended from
the former asshurances, and there begann in greate part
the trade of Furrs, which is now usurped by the Duch and
Sweeds, the Lord Baltimore not being able to manage it him-
selfe.

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How unjust an intrusion then will the Lord of Baltimore's
Patent appeare, which overthrows the Interests of soe many
Noblemen, Gentlemen and poore Planters (for the Company
of Virginia were of a nature diversified from other Companyes)
which if it had not been founded on soe good grounds, yett
theire zeales and pious Indeavors to propagate the true
Christian Relligion, to enlarge the English Dominions and to
encrease the trade and strength of shipping and considerably
the Customes, doth deserve Justice with addition of a reward
for soe honorable and good intentions.

1649.

May 1640.

Claiborne	}	Testes Examinati [et jurati] per
contra		Allegationem ex parte
Clobery & al		Will Claiborne

vigore Commission^s ex [curia?] sua in hujusmodi Causa
decret sequit^r viz^t—

Thomas Sturman de insul Kant in Provincia de Maryland
etatis 56 Annox aut eo circiter natus infra parochiam de
Hadnam in Com^m Buck Cooper testis in hac parte produc
Juratus et examinatus dicit et deponit Ad 21. Articulum dicit
et deponit That the said Thomas Sturman was one of the
servants that came over in the said shipp the Sarah Elizabeth,
and that the supplie of goods and servants sent in the said
shipp by the said Cloberry and Company att the time articulate
was brought upp to the articulate Island, by the articulate John
Goodfellowe, and were consigned to the said Eveline, and that
the said Eveline was present att the landing and houseing of
them upon the articulate Plantation, and that the articulate
Claiborne did not (to this deponents knowledge shew any dis-
like thereunto but he heard the said Evelin intreat the said
Claiborne to advize and assist him the said Evelin in the
employment of the said servants and goods as being better
experienced in the said trade and Plantation then he was, and
that thereupon the said Claiborne did accordinglie yield his
best assistance and advise therein, and by theire Cariage each
to other in this deponents sight, he beleeveth they did agree