

the same) have hereunto subscribed our names and are and shall be ready further to attest and confirme the same with our oathes; And for the greater ratification hereof, we have besides our subscriptions humbly supplicated & obtained his Lordship's command to his Chancellor of this Province to affix hereunto the great seal of this his Lordship's Province to the end that the greater faith and credit may be given thereunto—Dated at the City of S^t Maries in Maryland the thirteenth day of May Anno Domini one thousand six hundred eighty and two.

Tho. Tailler	Hen: Smith
Will Stevens	Henry Trippe
W ^m Digges	John Hynson
Tho: Burford. Att: Gen:	J. Waterton
Phil: Lloyd	Jone Stone
Jo: rousby	James Mills
Kenelm Cheseldyn	Barthol: Ennalls
richard Ladd	Nathaniel Garrett
Will: Burgess	James Dashiell
Josh: Wickes	roger Wolford
Jona: Sibery	John Brooke
George Wells	John Llewelin.
William Hatton	

(Endorsed)
Maryland

13th May. 1682.

Lord Baltimore's Declaration

Letter from Will Steevens to the hon^{ble} Philip Calvert Esq^{re}
dated 15th May 1682.

May it please your Honour,

Cominge to Cherry poynt (Captain Mathew was a board) but I spake with others who informed me that in Virginia some persons have begun to cutt up there owne plants, more have had their tobacco plants cutt up by others; it is said now Kent, Gloucester, Middlesex, Rapahanok is done mostly all ready and still they are goeing on. Sir Henry Chicheley hath issued out Proclamacōn which is come to Captain Mathews hand to prevent such practises. It is said alsoe his house, viz. Sir Henry's, is burnt downe, how fired not knowne. Major Beverly now a prisoner (as it is said) aboard the ship duke of York in Rapanok Suspicion of having a hand privately in this insurrection (by this meanes) to make a Cessation. What this will come to I know not. I am also told that the red-coats are disbanded and in some discontent: Orders here come to the Militia officers to be ready: things look with an evil face in Virginia, when we