

W^m Markham maketh oath that the above mentioned is a true Copy delivered by me to the Lord Baltimore.

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W^m Markham.

(Endorsed)
Pensilvania

M^r Markham's reasons for not laying out the bounds of Pensilvania with the Lord Baltimore.

Sworne before the Committee 11th March. 84/5.

Saturday 18th of November 1682.

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Entry Book,
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In pursuance of an Order of Council dated 3rd November upon the petition of several Merchants and others having estates in His Maj. Plantations in America praying His Maj. to appoint some regular method for the transportation of servants to the Plantations, their Lordships read the several proceedings had in this case at the Council Board in the year 1664 and at the Council of Plantations in 1670 Whereupon their Lordships agree to move his Maj. in Council to appoint the following method to be observed by all persons sending servants to the Plantations declaring further that upon certificate of the due observation thereof, his Majesty will cause all such suits to be stopped whereby any person shall be molested in this behalf—viz^t

1. Such servants are to be taken by Indenture to be executed by the servant in the presence of the Magistrates hereafter appointed, one part thereof signed by such servant and also underwritten or endorsed with the name and handwriting of such Magistrate which is to remain with the Clerk of the Peace to be returned to the next Sessions there to be filed upon a distinct file and numbered and kept with the Records.

2. The Clerk of the Peace is to keep a fair Book wherein the name of the person so bound and the Magistrates name before whom the same was done and the time and place of doing thereof and the number of the file shall be entered and for the more easy finding the same the entries are to be made alphabetically according to the first letter of the surname.

3. All persons above the age of 21 years or who shall upon view & examination appear to be so in the judgment of the Magistrate may be bound in the presence of one Justice of Peace or of the Mayor or Chief Magistrate of the Place where they shall go on shipboard who shall be fully satisfied from him of his free and voluntary agreement to enter into the said service.

4. If any person be under the age of one and twenty years or shall appear so to be, he shall be bound in the presence of