

P. R. O. Colonial Entry Book. the Lord Mayor of London or one of the Judges or an Alderman of London being a Justice of the Peace or the Recorder or two Justices of the Peace of any other County or Place who shall carefully examine whether the person so to be bound have any parents or masters And if be not free they are not take such Indenture unless the Parents or Masters give their consents and some person that knows the said servant to be of the name and addition mentioned in the Indenture is to attest his said knowledge upon the said Indenture.

5. If the person be under the age of 14 years unless his Parents shall be present & consent he is not to be carried on shipboard until a fortnight at least after he becomes bound to the intent that if there be any abuse it may be discovered before he is transported And where his Parents do not appear before the Magistrate notice is to be sent to them or where they cannot be found to the Church Wardens or Overseers of the Parish where he was last settled in such manner as the said Magistrates shall think fit and direct.

P. R. O. Colonial Papers. A narrative of the whole Proceedings betwixt the Lord Baltimore and Captain William Markham Deputy Governor under William Pen Esq^r as alsoe betwixt the Lord Baltimore, and the said Pen.

His Majestie having bin graciously pleased to give to M^r William Pen a Tract of Land in America to the northward of Maryland, the said Pen in Aprill (1681) sends one Captain William Markham his kinsman to be his deputy and towards the latter end of August following, Captain W^m Markham came to Maryland with a letter from M^r Pen to the Lord Baltimore and at the same time brought another from His most sacred Majesty bearing date the second day of Aprill in the three & thirtieth year of His Majestie's reign, the Lord Baltimore having perused the king's letter, as also that from M^r Pen, the said Markham was assured by the Lord Baltimore, that the king's commands should be readily and very speedily obeyed, and by that means M^r Pen's desires and request would be likewise complied with, the said Pen having by his letter requested that the Lord Baltimore would give all the dispatch possible in the business of the bounds. But by reason of the great heats then in August Captain Markham happened to fall dangerously ill, and because the Lord Baltimore was willing to embrace all opportunities of expressing his great friendship, respect and kindness to M^r Pen, he invited M^r Markham to his house where he continued very dangerously ill for the space of three weeks and better; some time in September the said Markham grew soe well that he resolved to return to Delaware, & before he parted with the Lord Baltimore they