

P. R. O. Popish Fugitives protection in Virginia and will assist with  
 Maryland force to resettle them in their former Authority; This I  
 B. I. thought no inconvenient Information being in all dutyfull  
 Vol. II, Respect and service  
 B. E. 38 Your hon<sup>rs</sup> most faithfull

humble servant  
 J<sup>no</sup> Coode.

(Endorsed)

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Nov: 16<sup>th</sup> 1689.

M<sup>r</sup> Josephs and others lately in Armes  
 ag<sup>t</sup> the Prot<sup>s</sup> and two Popish Preists  
 fled to Virginia with Armes and A<sup>m</sup>unition  
 that they may be secured in order to  
 be brought back.

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 Colonial  
 Papers.

To the King's most Excellent Majestie.

Wee your Majesties most loyall and dutifull Subjects the  
 ancient Protestant Inhabitants of Kent County in your Maj-  
 esties province of Maryland, who have here enjoyed many  
 halcyon dayes under the imediate Government of Charles  
 Lord Baron of Baltemore, and his Hon<sup>ble</sup> Father absolute  
 Lords Proprietaries of the said Province by Charter of your  
 Royal Progenitors, wherein our Rights and Freedoms are so  
 interwoven with his Lordships prerogative, that we have  
 always had the same liberties and priveledges secured to us,  
 as other your Majesties Subjects in the Kingdom of England.  
 And we again by virtue of the said Charter (as it enjoyed us)  
 have always paid our obedience to the said Lord Baltimore  
 and his Hon<sup>ble</sup> Father, by whom equally and indifferently were  
 Justice, favour, authority, and preferment administered, be-  
 stowed, conferred, and given to and upon your Majesties Sub-  
 jects of all persuasions. Do in prostrate and humble manner  
 testifie to your Majestie that we abhorr & detest the falsehood  
 and unfaithfulness of John Code and others his associates and  
 Agents, who first by dispersing untrue reports of prodigious  
 Armies of Indians and French Papists invading us did stir up  
 unjust Jealousies, and dismal apprehensions in the less cau-  
 tious sort of people of this Province, and then having thereby  
 created unnecessary fears, and disposed the people to mutiny  
 and tumult, made furthur insurrection, and extorted the law-  
 full Government from the Lord Proprietary who was always  
 as ready to redresse our Grievances as we to complain, and  
 now the said John Coade and his accomplices having assumed  
 the Government upon themselves and procured a Convention  
 to be tumultuously assembled did tyrannically imprison, re-  
 strain and turn out of civil and military Comission, several of  
 your Majesties good Subjects of unquestionable Loyalty and