

Sacrament in any orthodox Church or Chappell without being in due Orders, whereof you are to give an account to the said Bishop of London.

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And to the end the Ecclesiasticall Jurisdiction of the said Bishop of London may take place in that our Province as far as conveniently may be We do think fit that you give all countenance and Encouragement in the exercise of the same excepting only the Colating to Benefices, Granting Licenses for Marriage and Probate of Wills, which we have reserved to You our Governor or the Commander in Chief for the time being. You are to take care that a Table of Marriages established by the Church of England be hung up in every Orthodox Church and duly observed and to endeavour to get a Law if the same be not already passed in the Assembly for the strict observation of the said Table.

You are to take care that Drunkenness and Debauchery swearing and blasphemy be severely punished and that none be admitted to publick Trust and imployment whose ill Fame and conversation may bring scandall thereupon. You shall take care that all Planters and Christian Servants be well and fitly provided with Arms and that they be listed under Officers and when and as often as you shall think fit, mustered and trained, whereby they may be in a better readiness for the defence of Our said Colony and Dominion under your Government. You are to take especial care that neither the frequency nor unreasonableness of remote Marches, Musters, and Trainings be an unnecessary Impediment to the affaires of the Planters.

And for the greater security of that Our Province you are to appoint fit Officers and Commanders in the severall Parts of the Country bordering upon the Indians who upon any invasion may raise Men and Armes to oppose them, untill they shall receive your Directions therein. In Case of distress of any Our Plantations you shall upon application of the respective Governors to you, assist them with what aid the condition and safety of your Government will permit.

You shall cause a survey to be taken of all the considerable Landing Places and Harbours in Our said Province and with the advice of our Councill erect in any of them such Fortifications as shall be necessary for the security and Advantage of Our Province, which shall be done at the publick charge of the Country not doubting of the chearfull concurrence of the Inhabitants thereunto from the common security and benefit they will receive thereby.

You shall take an Inventory of all Arms, Amunition and Stores remaining in any of Our Magazines or Guarisons in our said Province and send an Account of them yearly