

& respective Countyes within this Province And be itt Lib. R. R. further Ordained by the Authority aforesaid, that if any the said Convicts are already landed sold given or disposed of to any person or persons within this Province or shall hereafter be landed sold given or disposed of without such bond given as aforesaid, that the next Justice of the Peace to the place of Residence of any the said Convicts or of the person to whom the said Convicts shall be sold given or disposed of shall forthwith send for such Convicted person or persons, & them to Prison shall comitt until the Masters of the Shipp in which they were transported or the ffacto^r or ffacto^{rs} to whom the said Convicts shall happen to be Consigned, or the person or persons to whom the said Convicts shall happen to be sold given or otherwise disposed of shall Enter into like Bond of fifty pounds sterling to his said Lord^{pp} with Condiçōn for the good behaviour of the said Convicts dureing their stay or Aboade within this Province.

By the Governo^r & Councell of this Province of Maryland
A Remonstrance of the true State of the Province & of the causes & reasons of the publique Taxes.

The Governo^r & Councell takeing into serious Consideracōn the gentle & moderate hand allwayes carryed over this Province by his Lord^{pp} dureing the life of his deceased ffather & the many Condescentions of his Lord^{pp} since the Absolute Comānd of right devolved to him, cannot but with wonder & Amazem^t reflect upon the Levity not to say Ingratitude of the People, who have bin so farre blinded by the Spetious p^tences of some desperate & ill Affected persons as to runn out into an Actuall Rebellion against his Lord^{pps} Governm^t when with joyned hands & united hearts we ought as one man to have risen upp against the Heathen, & with as constant & Confirmed Councells have prepared against such Evills as have now Involved our neighbour Colony in an Intestine Warre, & well nigh buried her in her owne ruines. Yett will they not sinke under the burden, but as on the one side they will by the sword of Justice lopp off such rotten members as doe Endanger the whole, so on the other side they will Endeavour to give all reasonable satisfaction to understanding & unbiased persons The great Clamour is against the greatnes of the Taxes; the debarring of some ffreemen who have nothing to Entitle themselves to a being in this Province, from voting in the Choice of the Delegates for makeing of the Lawes, & p. 107 lastly that those poore ffreemen are Obliged to pay taxes equall with the rich. As to the first we Appeale to the whole world to Judge whether the Lord Prop^{ty} were not forced to