

Lib. R. R. words or will by word of mouth onely Except the same be in the life of the Testator Comitted to writeing & after the writeing thereof read unto the testator & allowed by him and proved so to be done by Three Wittnesses at the least Except in cases of Soldiers and Seamen in actuall Service as by the said act in print more att large appeareth Whereof I doe hereby with the advice & Consent of the Councell Give this Publick notice Willing and requiring all persons to take notice & to Govern themselves and their affairs accordingly Given att S^t Maries under the great Seale of this Province this 4th day of September 1678 & in the Third year of his Lord^{ps} Dominion over this Province

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By the Lievtenant Gen^{ll}

Maryland ss.

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Whereas itt hath formerly bin the usuall Custome & practice of divers the Inhabitants of this Province to sell & dispose of their Provisions such as Beefe Pork Bacon & Corne to fforreigners to be by them exported out of this Province to the great damage & Inconveniency many tymes both of themselves & the rest of the Inhabitants, the same afterwarde proving often tymes very scarce & deare by reason thereof, notwithstanding the exportacōn thereof hath been strictly prohibited & forbiden And whereas the p^rsent urgent affaires of this Province are such, that they may probably require a considerable quantity thereof to supply its necessary occasions I doe therefore by & with the consent & advice of his Lord^{pps} Councell strictly prohibitt & forbid all & singuler the Inhabitants of this Province to sell or dispose of any such Provisions as beefe Porke Bacon or Corne to any fforreigner or other whatsoever to be exported out of this Province to any other Port or place whatsoever as they will answer the contrary att their utmost perill And all M^rchants & Masters of Shipp or other Vessells & other persons whatsoever tradeing into or resideing within this Province are hereof to take notice & observe that they doe not Shipp or load on board any Shipp or Vessell, whatsoever any of the aforementioned Provisions of the growth or production of this Province to be exported out of this Province without leave & lycence from my selfe thereunto first had & obtained under the paine & penalty of looseing & forfeiting all such Provisions as shall be so shipped & loaden aboard together with the Shipp or Vessell in which the same shall be so shipped & loaden as aforesaid with all her Guns tackle furniture Ammunition & Apparrell, the one moiety thereof to the right Honb^{le} the Lord Prop^{ry} of this Province, the other moiety to such person or persons as shall informe & sue for the same And I doe hereby by & wth the