

At a Councill held at the City of S<sup>t</sup> Maries the fffifth Day of Lib. R. R. R.  
Aprill in the nineth yeare of the Dominion of the R<sup>t</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Charles &c<sup>a</sup> Annoq Dmi. 1684:

The R<sup>t</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup>  
                                  { Coll Henry Coursey  
                                  | Coll Henry Darnall  
The hon<sup>ble</sup>                    { Coll W<sup>m</sup> Digges  
                                  | Coll W<sup>m</sup> Stevens  
                                  | Maj<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Sewall  
                                  | M<sup>r</sup> John Darnall  
                                  Present

His L<sup>SPD</sup> haveing determined to alter his Conditions of plantation within this Province and caused Proclamation to be accordingly drawne, was pleased to Communicate the same to his Councill for their approbation, which being read & heard was approved of and consented to by the whole board p<sup>r</sup>sent and is as foll. viz.

Proclam<sup>a</sup> concerning conditions of plantation

By the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup>

A Proclamation

Maryl<sup>d</sup> ss.

Wee haveing (for diverse good causes and considerations us thereunto mooveing) fully resolved and determined to alter our Condiçōn of plantation of this our Province, and communicated to our Councill such our resolutions Wee have p. 80 thought fitt (by and with their advice and consent) by this our Proclamation to publish and make knowne the same in manner following (viz:) That all persons Adventurers or others of British or Irish Descent, Inhabiting resideing or tradeing into this Province desirous to take up any Quantity or Quantities of Land w<sup>th</sup> in this our Province shall pay or secure to be paid unto us or our heires or such Officer or Officers as shall be appointed by us and our heyres from time to time to Collect and receive the same the just Quantity of One hundred and Twenty pounds of Tobacco in Cask for the first purchase, together with Two shillings sterling yearely Rent for every fifty acres of Land he or they shall make choice of and take up as aforesaid in any part of this our Province, except on the Seaboard side and Delaware Bay and River to the ffourtieth degree of Northern Latitude, which, (for encouragem<sup>t</sup> of such person or persons as shall desire and undertake to seate the same, Wee will shall and may be taken up by any person or