

Coll Robothams Lre touching Land laid out at the port of Williamstadt & Ord^r for proclamation thereon. Vpon reading a Letter from the hono^{ble} Coll George Robotham of the 19th of febr^{ry} instant, to his Ex^{ncy} sent & directed, touching the Runing out of the Land at Williamstadt, pursuant to the Ordinance of Assembly setting forth that the Land formerly surveyed, contained 225 Acres for the Town & Common of Williamstadt; and that the last Order doth say 200 Acres; so that they have laid out 200 Acres, as also marked where the 225 Acres ended; therefore desired to know, which of the two should stand for good. That the price of the Lots (the Value of the Common included) is 310^{lbs} of Tob^o p Lot, and that severall persons laying Claime to the Land, so laid out, the takers vp thereof are at a stand whom to pay, therefore desire his Ex^{ncy} would be pleased to Ord^r a proclamation to issue, to be proclaimed at Williamstadt: that all persons that have any Title to the s^d Town or Common of Williamstadt afores^d that they may be compelled to make their Clame & proceed to prove their Title within such a space of time to be appointed; Wherevpon his Ex^{ncy} was pleased to say, that as to the first, he should leave it to the determination of the Assembly, and as to the last did by advice in Councill Order, as it is hereby Ordered that Proclamation be prepared & issue accordingly to the said effect forthwith.

March the 2^a 1695.

Produced a proclamation drawn vp to the intent afores^d the w^{ch} being Read, was approved off & signed by his Excellency & passed the Broad Seal of the province, and Runs in these following Words, Viz^t

By his Ex^{ncy} the Cap^t Generall &c^a

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Maryland ss: Proclamation

Proclamation touching Land laid out at Williamstadt Whereas by Virtue of a late Ordinance of Assembly there has been Surveyed & laid out at the Port of Williamstadt, Two hundred twenty ffive Acres of Land for a Town, as also Two hundred Acres of Land more, for the Town Common, both which parcels or Dividents of Land have been likewise Viewed & Valued by a Jury of the Neighbourhood whereby each Lot is found to amount to the sume of Three hundred & ten pounds of Tob^o payable to the Owner thereof, by the party taking vp the same by Law; But forasmuch as it hath been Represented vnto me, how that severall persons lay Clame to the said Land, so that the takers vp of the Lots are put to a stand to whom to pay