

tis most humbly submitted to his Majesty to appoint what more trustees and Governors he shall in his great wisdom see necessary. P. R. O.
Maryland, 9.

With most humble Submission to Your Lordships great judgments, I think the most likely way for converting the Indians to the Christian Religion, and bringing them to live amongst us in a settled way, and learne our language in order to be made more useful to this his Majesty's Province, and putting a stop to the Papists, and Quakers and bringing them over to the reformed Religion, and to make those that are already Protestants better in their lives and morals; will be by erecting Free Schools, wherein both English and Indian boys may be bred up scholars, and fitted for his Majesty's Royall Colledge of William & Mary in Virginia. The Account of which is designed (God willing) to be given by us the trustees of the said Colledge, to his Excellency S^r Edmund Andros according to your Lordships directions to him. For I humbly beg leave to observe to your Lordships, that it is some charge to his Majesty, to supply these parts with Ministers, and Schoolmasters, his Majesty being graciously pleased to allow twenty pounds to each of them for their transportation, without which his Majesty's bounty, I suppose very few of them would be able to transport themselves. There is often very great want, and now especially of good Clergymen and Schoolmasters in these parts of the World; and I will not venture to answer for some of their abilities, lives and conversations

I hope (God willing) to be able by the next Fleet to give your Lordships an account of a pretty good Church and School being nigh finished in this place.

In N^o 2 is a List of the Names of his Majesty's Honourable Councill &c.

Severall of the principal Inhabitants of this province are not qualified by Law to serve his Majesty in any Employment, which makes it very difficult for me to supply them with good men. But the names of some are put down at the end of N^o 2 pag. 9, in which are the number of Taxables for the years 1694, 1695, 1696. It hath never yet been the Custome of this Countrey to distinguish the Taxables by Free men, Servants, and Negros, and tis not possible now to send them to your Lordships, but I intend to give Orders that the Taxables be so distinguished, and if I can to have the Number of Papists and Quakers. And in the said paper is an Account of what Indians reside in this province, as also Copies of some late Orders about the Indians. We have had no further Treaty with the Senniquos, Susquihanits, and Shevano Indians since my last, but expect to hear further of them this May.

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