

Lib. X. several Lines in this province and threatned Several persons as appears by the proceedings of last Council to deprive them of their plantat<sup>ns</sup> if they refused to submit to the Pennsylvania Government, and likewise that very lately they had taken up M<sup>r</sup> Vanbebber the chief Iustice of Cecil County Court for no other Offence real or pretended than for running out some Lines in the wild forest, up and down the Branches of Apoquimineck Creek in order to discover the true Location of Saint Augustines Mannors Western Limits and asking the opinion and advice of the Board thereon it is the opinion and advice of the Board that proclamation issue to warn the Inhabitants of Cecil County and others Concernd of the pretensions and Incroachments aforesaid and that all persons Concernd take notice thereof at their perill

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By the Lieutenant General

A Proclamation

Whereas at a Council held at Whitehall in London in the Reign of the late King James the Second it was ordered upon a supposition that the Tract of Land lying on the west Side of Deleware Bay had been inhabited and planted by Christians and Continued to be a distinct Colony from that of Maryland at and before the date of the Lord Baltimores patten, that the tract of Land lying betwixt the River and Bay of Deleware and the eastern Sea on the one side and Chesapeake Bay on the other side should be divided into equal parts and that that part thereof lying towards Deleware Bay should belong unto his Majesty and that the other part lying on the west Side of a division Line drawn from the Latitude of Cape Henlopen unto the 40<sup>th</sup> degree of North Latitude should remain unto the Lord Baltimore as Comprized within his Charter as is expressly set forth in the Order of Council which for the greater Satisfaction of all persons whom it shall or may Concern is herewith made publick as followeth

At the Court at Whitehall the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1685

Present

The Kings most Excellent Majesty  
 His Royal Highness prince George  
 Lord Arch Bishop of Canterbury  
 Lord Chancellor  
 Lord Chamberlain  
 Earl of Huntington  
 Earl of Bridgwater

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