

“ known how much 'tis wanting were Honesty us'd as tis Lib. M.  
“ pretended now a Sincere & hearty Attachment to our Selves  
“ & posterity can't be better Demonstrated then by pusing  
“ Viger<sup>ly</sup> while the Gapp is Open therefore as an Expedient  
“ (my honest Country men) Let us meet at Queen Ann Town  
“ on Munday the 28<sup>th</sup> of this Instant to Assert our Rights  
“ Arm'd in a Suitable Manner to our good & honourable  
“ Pretentions we Desire it may be Publish'd.

20<sup>th</sup> October 1728

And Desires the Advice of this Board what is Necessary to be done relateing thereto, who are of Opinion that it is highly reflecting on the Legislature of this Province and that Proclamations ought to Issue imediately requireing the Severall Officers both Civil & Military in Prince George & Ann Arundell Countys to have a faithfull & watchfull Eye over the peace thereof and that his Ex<sup>ly</sup> by the same Proclamation Offer 50<sup>l</sup> reward to any person that shall Discover the Author or Disperser of the said paper so as they be Convicted thereof by due Course of Law which Proclamation being prepared Read & Agreed to by this Board, is as follows Viz.

Maryland ss

“ By his Excellency Benedict Leonard Calvert Governour  
“ and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of  
“ Maryland

A Proclamation

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Whereas I have certain Information that many Seditious & Scandalous papers have Lately been Dispersed in Prince Georges County, Injuriouslly Reflecting on the Legislature of this Province, and tending to a riotous Disturbance of the Peace of his Majesties Subjects therein, by Inviteing Persons to meet at Queen Anns Town, on Munday next the Twenty Eighth Instant, in an Armed and hostile manner, then and there to Consult Rebellious and Illegall ways to Awe and force the present Generall Assembly to Comply with certain pretended Demands; all which is Contrary to the Safety and freedom of Legislation, the Honour of the Government, and wellfare of the good people of this Province, I have therefore thought fit (with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State) to Issue this my Proclamation, hereby requireing all Officers both Civill and Military within this Province, to have a faithfull and watchfull Eye, over the peace thereof; and to Vse all Lawfull ways & Means to Discover & Suppress all Such riotous & unlawfull Meetings & Assemblys, and to make Early and Diligent Enquiry into the Arthors and Dispursers of Such Seditious & Scandalous papers, that they and all