

By His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor and Lib. M.
Command^r in Chief in and over the Province of
Maryland.

Maryland ss.

A Proclamation.

Whereas there is great Reason to apprehend that the drought which has not only exceeded but continued much longer than has been known in many years may occasion a very great Scarcity of Indian Corn and all other sorts of Grain within this Province, And that the very great Demands for Grain in foreign Parts may occasion the Exportation of greater Quantities than can be spared without exposing his Majesty's Subjects here to want Bread I have thought fit with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State in Order to prevent so great an Evil by this my Proclamation to prohibit and forbid as I hereby do prohibit and forbid any Person or Persons whatsoever to take receive or lade on board any Vessel or Vessels whatsoever any Indian Corn Wheat or other Grain with Intent to export such Indian Corn Wheat or Other Grain out of this Province, or to carry out or export by Land until the fifteenth Day of this Instant August; And that in the meantime no Person or Persons on any Pretence whatsoever presume to export any Indian Corn Wheat or Other Grain out of this Province more than shall be necessary for the Crew of such Vessel for their Voyage And I do hereby with the Advice af^d strictly charge and command all his Lordships Officers whom it may concern that they do not presume to enter or clear outwards any Ship or Other Vessel having on board any Indian Corn Wheat or Other Grain more than shall be necessary for the Sustenance of the Crew of such Ship or Vessel during the intended Voyage of such Ship or Vessel on Pain that all Persons disobeying this Proclamation shall be prosecuted with the utmost Rigour of Law And to the End that none may pretend Ignorance of this my Proclamation I do hereby strictly charge and command all the Sheriffs within this Province to publish the same at the respective Court houses and in all other publick Places as they shall answer the Contrary at their Peril Given at the City of Annapolis this third Day of August in the twenty third Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1737

J Ross, Cl Conc.

Ordered that the Assembly which stands prorogued to the 20th day of Septem^r next be by Proclamation called to meet at Annapolis on the 11th Day of this Instant August which Proclamation issued as follows