

bation, and as offices become Vacant you are to fill up the same Provisionally only until you shall have received Our Consent and Approbation. Lib. C. B.  
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11<sup>th</sup> You shall take Especial Care that God Almighty be devoutly and duly served throughout your Government, the Book of Common Prayer, as by Law Established, Read each Sunday and Holiday, and the Blessed Sacrament be duly Administered according to the Rights of the Church of England. You shall be careful that the Churches already Built be well and orderly kept and we do hereby Require and Direct you that all Church Livings and Ecclesiastical Preferments which shall become Vacant shall be Notified by you to Us for Our filling up and appointing the Succeeding Incumbents thereto, by which means we shall have an Opportunity of Obliging Deserving Persons and thereby knowing those who are sent over to Our said Province.

12<sup>th</sup> If any Emergency of Government shall arise not provided for by these Instructions, you are in all things to act according to your best Discretion and Judgement with the Opinion and Advice nevertheless of Our Council transmitting to us or Our Secretary of Our said Province the earliest Accounts of such Your Proceedings.

13<sup>th</sup> You are to Conform yourself to all such Orders and Instructions as have been sent to former Lieutenant Governors as you shall find them Entered in the Council Books of Our said Province so far as the same are not altered or varied by these present or former Instructions or such other Instructions as you may receive from us and you are upon all Occasions to send to us or Our Secretary of Our said Province in England to be laid before us a particular Account of all your Proceedings and of the Proceedings of the Assembly, p. 67 and of the Condition of Affairs within your Government.

14. In Case of your Death or Absence from our said Province and no other Person shall be resident on the place Commissionated or appointed by us to be Our Lieutenant Governor, the Eldest Councillor whose Name is first placed in Our Commission appointing the Council and who shall be at the time of your Death or Absence residing within Our said Province shall take upon him the Administration of the Government but not to Assent to or Pass any Act but what may be immediately necessary for the Peace and Welfare of Our Province.

15<sup>th</sup> You are to Cause these Instructions to be entered in the Council Books.

Given at Baltimore House Westminster this 29<sup>th</sup> Day of August in the Year of Our Lord 1768 and in the 18<sup>th</sup> year of Our Dominion F. B.