

Lib. J. R. this fresh Instance of Your Majesty's paternal Regard and  
& U. S. invariable attention to the Common Interests of Your extensive Dominions,

The unexampled Success that in the Course of the late necessary War hath attended the British Arms can alone be equalled by the Wisdom of Your Councils in the establishment of a Peace which hath not only effectually attained the Object of that War, the Security of these Colonies but by a vast accession of Territory to the British Empire hath opened new and inexhaustible Sources of National Wealth and Secured to your Majesty's Subjects the solid advantages of a diffusive commerce. Happy in the prospect of enjoying the Blessings of such a Peace under Your benign and auspicious Government We most ardently pray that your Majesty together with your Royal Consort may be blessed during a very long and peaceable reign with uninterrupted Felicity, and while your Subjects reap the Fruits of your glorious victories and wise Resolutions may the Best of Kings meet with the grateful Retribution of Steady Loyalty and Sincere Affection from a flourishing and happy People,

[Lease of Maryland]

p. 362 This Indenture made the Thirtieth day of January in the first year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and so forth and in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixty One Between The Right Honourable Frederick Lord Baltimore Baron of Baltimore in the Kingdon of Ireland Lord Proprietor of the Province of Maryland and Avalon in America and the Honourable Cecilius Calvert Esquire Uncle to the said Frederick Lord Baltimore of the One part and the Honourable Thomas Bennett Esquire Brother of the Right Honourable the Earl of Tankerville and William Sharpe of the Parish of Saint James Westminster Esquire One of the Clerks of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council of the other part:

Witnesseth that they the said Frederick Lord Baltimore and Cecilius Calvert for and in Consideration of the Sum of Five Shillings of Lawfull Money of Great Britain to them in Hand well and truly paid by the said Thomas Bennett and William Sharpe at and Before the Ensealing and Delivery of these Presents Do and each of them Doth Bargain and Sell unto the said Thomas Bennett and William Sharpe their Executors Administrators and Assigns All that the Country Province Lordship Territory District or Tract of Land called Maryland in America and all the Islands Creeks Havens Ports