

Ferdinand John Paris has been heard by his Counsell, as have the Merchants on Behalf of themselves, & the people of Maryland.

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Upon hearing both partys, I have thought fitt to confirm the said Law. You may Depend upon all the Protection & countenance, which you can ask, or I can grant, and when ever there is any thing before the Assembly that concerns your Body, or the Advancem<sup>t</sup> of the great work you are design'd for, I am sure the Legislature of Maryland will pay that Deference to your Functions, & persons, as all wise Assemblies Do, considering that the true Advancem<sup>t</sup> of Religion, & the Protecting the Ministers thereof to be their first care.

I am much concerned to hear of the ill usage you complain of has been given to some of your Fraternity, & be Assured th<sup>t</sup> any person or persons who shall so misbehave, shall meet with the greatest dis-countenance from

I am

London

Your's

Jan<sup>ry</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1730/31.

Baltimore

Answer to the three Querys proposed to us by his Excellency the Governour.

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1<sup>st</sup> How many are the Parishes within your County, their respective extents, in their greatest lengths and breadths, as near as may be computed at least, with the present incumbents names.

2<sup>dly</sup> How many are the taxables in each separate Parish.

3<sup>dly</sup> What Glebes houses slaves or stock may appertain to each respective Parochial Cure, and as near as may be their Estimate . . . . in quantity of acres &c<sup>a</sup>

. . . . the 1<sup>st</sup> Query we answer that there is . . . . part . . . . St. Michaels parish a small part whereof is in Queen Anne's County and part of S<sup>t</sup> Pauls parish the greatest part whereof is in Queen Annes County, and S<sup>t</sup> Peters parish which is all within this County. . . . part of Saint Michaels parish within this County, it is much broken with water, And is about thirty miles in length and taking one place with another about ten miles in breadth, whereof the Rev<sup>d</sup> Henry Nicols is incumbent.

As to that part of S<sup>t</sup> Paul's parish which lyes in this County it is about ten miles in length and six miles in breadth, whereof the Rev<sup>d</sup> [James] Cox is incumbent

St. Peters parish is about twenty and five miles in length and taking one place with another about eight miles in breadth whereof the Rev<sup>d</sup> Daniel Maynadier is incumbent.

To the 2<sup>d</sup> Query we answer that according to the lists of taxable Persons returned by the Constables of this County it appears to us, that there are,