

Cattle the said John Salesbury shall haue of his owne are to be looked Liber B B
 unto by the Cow Keeper and haue the same Liberty in and about
 the plantacon as the said Abington hath—

5^{thly} if the said Abington doth procure a seruant of his owne he
 shall be allowed to worke wth the seruants of the s^d Abington and
 haue such share of the Cropp as shall be hereafter agreed upon by
 the said partyes—

6^{thly} This Agreement to beginn from the day of the date hereof
 and to Continue soe long as both partyes shall thinke fitt and uppon
 dislike of either partyes to giue the other twelue months warning
 from the houseing of the Cropp otherwise to prouide for themselues
 and their Affaires in wittnes whereof the partyes w^{thin} menconed
 haue hereunto sett their handes this 26th day Octob^r 1663—

Wittness Richard Marssam
 John King

The marke of
 John X Salesbury

To the Hon^{ble} the Gouverno^r and Councill of the prouince of Maryland
 The humble petⁿ of John Abington sheweth

That John Salesbury as an Ouerseer is by Couen^t und^r hand
 writeing obleiged to looke after yo^r pet^{rs} seruants and to employ
 himselfe and the said seruants in makeing of Crops which he hath
 not done by Carrying seuerall of the seruants in the winter when they
 should haue been Clearing and prouiding ground for a Crop being
 uppon a new plantacon of the ground about his owne Occasions
 sometymes 3. 4. & 5. seruants for 2: & 3 dayes togegether by which
 meanes the winter worke was lost and also absenting himselfe ab^t
 the latter end of May for 3 dayes when it was a good season for
 planting of tobacco which season by that meanes was lost and yo^r
 pet^{rs} Cropp by that meanes not planted before July which Crop will
 appeare to yo^r Honn^{rs} by the Loss of the winters worke not to be
 halfe a Cropp he allsoe absented himselfe 3 dayes about the latter
 end of Augs^t when it was faire weather and a Considerable quan-
 tity of tobacco were ripe and fitt for the house the major part of [p. 402]
 which was lost by his absence a glutt of raine following for tenn
 dayes together which Caused the said tobacco to spott soe much that
 it was not fitt for the howse to the greate damage of the Cropp and
 yo^r pet^r he did allsoe absent himselfe diuers times one day togather
 in the summer time he was allsoe obleiged by Couenant to looke
 after all stocks which he refused to doe and allsoe not to desert yo^r
 pet^{rs} employm^t wthout giuing him twelue months warning from the
 howseing of the Cropp and before this Crop of tobacco was howsed
 he fledd out of this prouince from his Just debts & Couenants to yo^r
 pet^{rs} greate damage—

Yo^r pet^{rs} humble request therefore is that yo^r Honno^{rs} will take
 the p^misses into yo^r serious Consideracons or appoint a Iury to
 Consider therein and allowe yo^r pet^r such sattisfaccon as in their