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INSTRUCTIONS OF LORD BALTIMORE TO GOVERNOR SHARPE, 1757

INSTRUCTIONS OF FREDERICK, LORD BALTIMORE, DATED OCTOBER 23, 1757, TO GOVERNOR HORATIO SHARPE, ASSENTING TO THE LAWS PASSED BY THE ASSEMBLY AT THE SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER, 1756, AND AT THE APRIL-MAY, 1757 SESSIONS; REJECTING THE PETITION OF CERTAIN VIRGINIANS THAT THE VESSELS OF THAT COLONY CARRYING IRON ORE BE EXEMPTED FROM MARYLAND TONNAGE DUTIES, AND BE ALLOWED INSTEAD TO PAY AN ANNUAL CHARGE WITHOUT RELATION TO TONNAGE; AND ORDERING THAT REGULATIONS BE DRAWN UP BY WHICH THE TONNAGE OF VESSELS THEREAFTER SHALL BE BETTER DETERMINED.

Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietor of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon in America Lord Baron of Baltimore of the Kingdom of Ireland Orders and Instructions to be Observed and Pursued, by our Trusty and Wellbeloved Horatio Sharpe Esq.^r Our Lieutenant General and Chief Governor of our Province of Maryland

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Whereas at a Session of Assembly begun & held at the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the Fourteenth Day of September in the Six Year of My Dominion 1756 several Acts of the Province of Maryland were made & Pass'd by You Viz.^t

An Act for his Majesty's Service, and further Defence and Security of this Province.

An Act empowering the Justices of Somerset County to levy not exceeding Twenty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco upon the taxable Inhabitants of the said County, to be applied to the Purpose therein Directed.

An Act for the Relief of Sundry of the Inhabitants of Charles County.

A Supplementary to the Act entituled An Act for the Speedy and effectual Publication of the Laws of this Province and for the Encouragement of Jonas Green of the City of Annapolis Printer.

A Supplementary to An Act entituled An Act for granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Service and Striking Thirty Four Thousand and Fifteen Pounds Six Shillings thereof in Bills of Credit, and raising a Fund for Sinking the Same.