

“ It is therefore ordered, that no person or persons be permitted to survey or take up any such lands, and that a clause be inserted in all warrants issuing out of the land office for the future restraining the surveyors from laying out any such land for any person whatsoever.

“ And it is likewise ordered, that no warrant be located upon lands reserved or appropriated to the use of the Indians.

JNO. ROSS, Clk. Counc.

“ SIR,

“ You are hereby required to enter the above order in the records in the land office, for the better information of all persons concerned therein.

Signed per order,

JNO. ROSS, Clk. Counc.”

“ *To the hon'ble Philemon Lloyd, Esq.*”

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“ MARYLAND, ss.

“ BALTIMORE.

“ *By the right honourable Charles, absolute lord and proprietary of the provinces of Maryland and Avalon, lord baron of Baltimore, &c.*

“ Wee being desirous to increase the number of honest people within our province of Maryland, and willing to give suitable encouragement to such to come and reside therein, do offer the following terms :

“ 1st. That any person having a family, who shall within three years come and actually settle, with his or her family, on any of the back lands on the northern or western boundaries of our said province, not already taken up, between the rivers Potomack and Susquehanna, where we are informed there are several large bodies of fertile lands, fit for tillage, which may be seen without any expence, two hundred acres of the said lands, in fee simple, without paying any part of the forty shillings sterling, for every hundred acres, payable to us by the conditions of plantations, and without paying any quit rents in three years after the first settlement, and then paying four shillings sterling for every hundred of acres, to us, or our heirs, for every year after the expiration of the said three years.

“ 2d. To allow to each single person, male or female, not above the age of thirty, and not under fifteen, one hundred acres of the said lands, upon the same terms as mentioned in the preceding article.

“ 3d. That we will concur in any reasonable method that shall be proposed for the case of such new comers, in the pay-