

that our said Declaration should be published there with all convenient speed, which we do not *here* is yet done, and if it be not wee have reason to take in ill parte the neglect of those our orders ; Wee Doe hereby renew them, and recommend them strictly to the care of our Lieutenant there for the *tyme* beinge to see them put in due execution. And Wee Doe further add and appoint that in all grants whatsoever from us for the future of any land there for or in respect of any person or persons which shall bee transported thither after the 20th day of June next there shall bee reserved to us and our heirs the rent of two shillings sterling yearly for every fifty acres, and that this our declaration bee forthwith published there for that purpose by our Lieutenant or Commissioners for the Government there for the *tyme* beinge. Given under our hand and lesser seale at armes this 4th day of October in 29th yeare of Dominion over Maryland and in the yeare of our Lord God 1660."

COUNCIL, Book H. H. fol. 148.

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" *Att a Council held att St. Maryes the 24th day of June Anno Domini 1667.*

" Whereas the Governour and Councill are informed that there are severall persons that are seated within this Province on the seaboard side and doe pretend to be under the Government of New-Yorke Itt is therefore ordered that a special warrant be granted to Mr. William Stevens for eight thousand acres of land to be proportioned out by him for the encouragement of such as will seat there on the said seaboard side, and that such persons as seat there shall have seven years liberty to make good rights for the said land, paying to his Lordship only the rent of two shillings sterling yearly for every hundred acres. And further itt is ordered that those that seat nearest the Hoarkill shall have out of the said eight thousand acres one thousand acres of land for a ffamily, having in itt three working hands att the least. And the rest of the eight thousand acres to be proportioned out att five hundred acres each ffamily having in itt two working hands att the least ; Provided such as intend to seat there shall settle betwixt this *tyme* and the last of November next and there build and not desert their plantations. And itt is further ordered, that att the returne of Colonel Henry Coursey from New-Yorke a letter to be sent to the Governour of New-Yorke to know whether those persons who have incroached upon his Lordship's Province doe own him for their Governour that there may be a right understanding betwixt the two Governments."

L.I.B. R. R. fol. 122.