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Countries they shall think proper, whether belonging to US, or any foreign Power, which shall be in Amity with US, our Heirs or Successors; Provided always, that they be bound to pay for the same to US, our Heirs and Successors, such Customs and Impositions, Subsidies and Taxes, as our other Subjects of the Kingdom of England, for the Time being shall be bound to pay, beyond which WE WILL that the Inhabitants of the aforesaid Province of the said Land, called MARY-LAND, shall not be burdened.

XVI. AND FURTHERMORE, of our more ample special Grace. and of our certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, WE do for US, our Heirs and Successors, grant unto the aforesaid now Baron of BALTIMORE, his Heirs and Assigns, full and absolute Power and Authority to make, erect and constitute, within the Province of MARYLAND, and the Islands and Islets aforesaid, such, and so many Sea-Ports, Harbours. Creeks, and other Places of Unlading and Discharge of Goods and Merchandize out of Ships, Boats and other Vessels, and of Lading in the same, and in so many, and such places, and with such rights, Jurisdictions, liberties and privileges, unto such Ports respecting, as to him or them shall seem most expedient: And, that all and every the Ships. Boats and other Vessels whatsoever, coming to, or going from the Province aforesaid, for the Sake of Merchandizing, shall be laden and unladen at such Ports only as shall be so erected and constituted by the said now Baron of BALTIMORE, his Heirs and Assigns, and Usage, Custom, or any other Thing whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding. Saving always to US, our Heirs and Successors, and to all the Subjects of our Kingdoms of England and Ireland, of US, our Heirs and Successors, the Liberty of Fishing for Sea-Fish as well in the Sea. Bays, Straits and navigable Rivers, as in the Harbours, Bays and Creeks of the Province aforesaid; and the Privilege of Salting and Drying Fish on the Shores of the same Province: and for that Cause, to cut down and take Hedging-Wood and Twigs there growing, and to build Huts and Cabbins, necessary in this Behalf in the same Manner as heretofore they reasonably might, or have used to do. Which Liberties and Privileges, the said Subject of US, our Heirs and Successors shall enjoy without notable Damage or Injury in any wise to be done to the aforesaid now Baron of BALTIMORE, his Heirs or Assigns, or to the Residents and Inhabitants of the same Province in the Ports, Creeks and Shores aforesaid, and especially in the Woods and Trees there growing. And if any Person shall do damage or Injury of this kind he shall incur the Peril and Pain of the heavy Displeasure of US. our Heirs and Successors, and of the due Chastisement of the Laws, besides making Satisfaction.