

printing press—William Nuthead's—, the departure of the Governor and Assembly from St. Mary's to Annapolis, and the passage of the "Act for the encouragement of Learning" (October 18, 1694). This last was the prelude to the opening of King William's School, the third institution of its sort in the colonies.

As the new century appeared, about 35,000 people made up the population of Maryland. Nearly twenty per cent of these were Negro slaves—slavery having been established within five years after settlement. Another large group were "bound men", or indentured servants. Many of the latter soon became "redemptioners" and often, in time, the owners of extensive property.

After the "Restoration"

With the restoration of proprietary rights, April 15, 1715, Charles Calvert, Fifth Lord Baltimore, resumed control of the colony. Since he was a minor at that time, and in later life primarily interested in English politics, development in Maryland lacked rigorous control from without. Furthermore, a strong "County", as separate from a Proprietary, party manifested itself in the General Assembly.

Significant among the expansionist movements in Charles Calvert's time were the founding of a settlement at Baltimore Town (July 30, 1729) and the beginnings of Western Maryland (1735). Swedes and Dutch on the Delaware River, having found the Maryland charter's geographical limits vague, pressed for a boundary line. In 1732 this was established for Delaware, but at the other limitations final boundary judgments had to wait till the early twentieth century. One of the consequences of dispute with Pennsylvania was a survey in 1763 by two Englishmen, Jeremiah Dixon and Charles Mason, for whom the line marking the northern boundary of Maryland was named.

Frontier Development and Warfare

In Western Maryland boundary disputes made for violence; therefore, Thomas Cresap, Maryland's heroic frontiersman, figures as an outlaw in Pennsylvania's history. In this same quarter warfare flared, not only sporadically with Indians, but also systematically when the French, making claim to West Empire, began to drive out the traders of the Ohio Company. As this trading venture was largely Virginian in character, the Maryland Assembly was stern against Governor Horatio Sharpe and refused to