

revoked their charter, and usurped their rights and government. £150,000 had been expended in planting the colony; 9000 persons had been sent from England to the settlement. Yet the annual importation from Virginia did not exceed \$20,000, and the population was reduced to 1800 persons.

The whole legislative, executive and judicial powers were now conferred by the king upon a governor and twelve counsellors, named by himself.

1627. Delaware settled by the Swedes and Fins.

1628. Massachusetts bay settled by Captain John Endicott and company.

1629. The evils of this form of government soon became insufferable. Roused at length to madness by the oppression which it engendered, the Virginians, seized their governor, Sir John Henry, and sent him a prisoner to England, accompanied by two deputies, charged with the task of representing their grievances and his misconduct.

The facilities of obtaining large tracts of land induced emigration to a considerable amount. In 1650, Virginia contained about 50,000 inhabitants.

1631—King Charles 1st, of England, granted to George, Lord Baltimore, the Province of Maryland.

Owing to the death of George before he received the Patent, the Charter was