

Carrying Property in such Ships or  
Cargoes shall Register the same in manner  
hereby appointed; You shall take care and  
Give in Charge, That these matters and things  
be duly Observed in Our foresaid Province  
of Maryland, according to the True intent  
and meaning of the said Acts; And the Offen-<sup>ces</sup>  
and Offenders prosecuted according to the  
Directions hereof, and where it is required  
That the Master and threefourths of the  
Mariners be English, You are to understand  
That the true intent and meaning thereof is  
That they shall be such during the whole  
Voyage, unless in Case of Sickness, Death or  
being Taken Prisoner in the Voyage, to be  
proved by the Oath of the Master or other  
Chief Officer of the Ship; And none but  
Our Subjects of England, Ireland or the  
Plantations are to be accounted English.

Whereas