

to prevent cropping cutting or defacing Tobacco taken
on board Ships or Vessels upon Freight, and for laying
Impositions on Tobacco per the Hoghead for the support
of Government &c. whether there should be any allowance
and permission given to ship any quantities of Tobacco free
from the Country Duties in lieu of the like quantities
taken by the Enemies in time of War or by Pirates, you are
permitted to give your consent to any Bill that may be
passed which is proper for clearing up such Doubt; But
you will take care to do this in such a manner as to show
your compliance herein to be an act of Favour and not
of Right, since it lessens the Revenue Arising to the
Support of Government from Duties on Tobacco.

12. Whereas it may not only not be necessary,
but perhaps improper considering the few Persons there
are in Maryland properly qualified for the due Administra-
tion of Justice, to have so many Justices in our Provincial
Court as usually have been heretofore; And whereas
the lessening their number will tend to lessen the Publick
Charge of the Province. You are therefore to take into
your consideration whether it may not be proper to reduce
and Limit the Number of such Provincial Justices to Five
or Six. And in case such alteration shall be by you thought
proper to be made, you are first to inform me thereof be-
fore you take any steps herein in order to have my
previous approbation thereof.

13. You are to take care that in all Penal Parts of
Laws, the Fines be applyed to the support of Government as
usual.

14. As to all Church Preferments in our said Province,
You