

Maryland By the Lords Proprietary
A Proclamation

We having for divers good causes and Considerations as therunto
moving fully Resolved and Determined to utter our Conditions of
Plantation of this our Province and communicated to our Council
such our Resolutions We have thought fit (by and with their Advice
and Consent) by this our Proclamation to publish and make known
the same in manner following Viz that all persons Adventurers
or others of British or Irish Descent Inhabiting Residing or Trading
into this Province desirous to take up any Quantity or Quantities of
Land within this our Province shall pay or secure to be paid unto Us
or our Heirs or such Officer or Officers as shall be appointed by Us and
our Heirs from Time to Time to Collect and Receive the same the just
Quantity of One Hundred and Twenty pounds of Tobacco in Cash for the
first purchase together with Two Shillings Sterling yearly Rent for every
fifty Acres of Land he or they shall make choice of and take up as
aforesaid in any part of this our Province except on the Sea board Side
and Delaware Bay and River to the fortieth Degree of Northern Latitude,
which for encouragement of such Person or Persons as shall desire and
undertake to seal the same We will shall and may be taken up by
any Person or Persons of the Descent aforesaid in any Quantity not
Exceeding the Number of Five Hundred Acres in one Tract to any one
Person he or they paying or securing to be paid therefore unto Us and our
Heirs or such Officer or Officers aforesaid after the rate of Sixty pounds
of Tobacco in Cash for the first purchase together with One Shilling Sterling
Yearly Rent for every Fifty Acres he or they shall take up as aforesaid
except also in that part of this our Province on the Frontiers thereof
which We will and Intend shall be united to a County by the Name
of New Ireland where any person or persons of the Descent aforesaid
desirous to take up Land and secure the same may take up any
Quantity or Quantities of Land paying therefore or securing