

By the Lieutenant &c<sup>o</sup> of  
Maryland  
Proclamation

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Whereas the right Honorable the Lord Proprietory  
of this Province is given to understand that divers adven-  
turers or planters have for a long time forborn neglected or  
refused to take Grants from his Lordship of all such Lands  
within this Province as have been or are due unto them from  
time to time by Virtue of several Conditions of Plantation  
heretofore propounded by his Lordship / Contrary to the true  
intent and meaning of the said Conditions / though some of  
the said Lands have been due to some of the said Adven-  
turers or planters by the space of divers years past which  
course can produce no good effects to any the Adventurers  
or planters or to his Lordship but must needs in proce<sup>s</sup>  
of time make such Adventurers Right and preference to  
Land their very doubtful begetting nothing else but diffi-  
culties and Confusions and his Lordship thereby also Re-  
ceives Great prejudice in the non payment of such Rents  
for a long time which are due and payable unto him from  
such Adventurers or planters if they had or did take  
Grants of all such Lands due unto them in convenient  
time as they ought to have done and whereas there may  
be divers that would but could not have any Grants passed  
to them for any Lands due unto them since February 1644  
about which tyme his Lordships Great Seat of this Province  
was violently . . . . . taken from hence and no other  
there since till now that his Lordship hath sent a new  
Great Seat hither his Lordship therefore doth declare that  
it is his will and pleasure that all such persons now resi-  
dent within this Province or within the Colony of Virginia