

Maryland without his Lordships licence which Proclamation bore date the 11th of October 1655 & therein are described the bounds between Maryland and Virginia the said Copy having been transcribed by the said brother John Thomas of which his Lordship hath attested by Mr Richard Kemp, deceased who was Secretary of Virginia when the said Proclamation was made. Given under his Lordships seal at Armes 23th of October 1656.

Baltimore.

Instructions Directed by the Right Hon^{ble} the Earl of Baltimore absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To his Lordships Lieutenant & the rest of his Lordships Council of the said Province of Maryland for the time being.

Instructions 12^o
November 1656.

His Lordship wills & requires his said Lieut^o & Council that they cause every Sheriff & Coroner of every County in Maryland to give good security for the just & due performance of their office respectively before they be admitted to sit as Sheriffs or Coroners there notwithstanding any Commission or instruction already obtained or wh^o hereafter may be obtained from his Lordship for the making of any such person Sheriff or Coroner of any County there as aforesaid.

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That his Lordships said Lieut^o do cause such proportions of land to be surveyed & assigned (except Royal mines) to such severall persons as followeth untill his Lordship shall send a new grant thither (wh^o he will shortly doe) whereby the said lands may be granted under the same (viz)

To his Lordships brother Philip Calvert Esq^r his secretary of the said Province of Maryland six thousand Acres to be erected into one or more Mannors & to be called by such name or names as his Lordships said brother shall thinke fitt:

To William Thomson one hundred Acres.

To Simpson two hundred Acres.

To every servant that hath & shall serve out his time with any planter or Adventurer there & hath & shall approve himselfe faithfull to his Lordship fifty Acres.

Provided always that none of the lands before mentioned be assigned in any place formerly disposed of by his Lordship or his Lordships to any person or persons nor sett out or reserved for his Lordships owne use; And provided that in the said assignments the usuall respective yearly rent of one shilling Sterling for every