

Charles (1658) Lieut. & Govern. of the provinces of Maryland
and the honorable Cecilus Lord & Proprietor of the same To all persons to whom
these presents shall come greeting in our Lord God everlasting Know ye that taking
consideration of the petition of divers persons well affected to this province now or late inhabi-
tants of Northton County otherwise called Accomack in Virg^a who are desirous
to transport themselves & families into this province & for ye more speedy & effectual
execution of his lops Comand to mee to see ye people of this province next adjoining
County aforesaid people & for ye ease & benefit of all such persons who shall Transport
themselves into this province from Accomack aforesaid I have nominated constituted
impowered & do by these presents nominate constitute & empower Steph. Horsey Capt^m W^m
Thorne & W^m Bosman gent^l or any two of y^m being within this province to go
Warrant for land during y^e term of 6 months next ensuing y^e date here of upon
Eastern shore of this province in any place between Choptank river & a line
drawn east into y^e maine Ocean from Watkins point being y^e north point of
Bay into w^{ch} y^e River Wighco (formerly called Wighco comoco, afterwards loca-
moke & now Wighco comoco againe) doth fall exclusively That is to say five
acres for every person transported upon such conditions & terms as are expressed in
his lops conditions of plantation now remaining upon Record regulated according to
his lops Declaration of y^e 22th y^r 1658 now upon record, alsoe provided y^t every
claiming any land by virtue of y^e conditions aforesaid for & in respect of y^e Transport
of any person or persons into this province doe before y^e sd Steph. Horsey Capt^m W^m Thorne
W^m Bosman or any two of y^m & being within this province take y^e oath of Fidelity by
sd conditions of plantation required w^{ch} sd oath y^e sd Steph. Horsey Capt^m W^m Thorne
W^m Bosman or any two of y^m are hereby impowrd to admiⁿ to all or any y^e persons
desireous to transport themselves as aforesaid before they shall have any Warrant
unto y^m respectively & alsoe provided y^t all such persons as shall have any Warrant
be accountable to y^e Secretary for y^e time being for all such fees as for y^e same
& entries shall become due & y^e sd Steph. Horsey Capt^m W^m Thorne & W^m Bosman are
hereby impowrd to keep a book of all such W^{ts} & Warrants as shall be by y^m or any of
grant distinctly reciting y^e name & surname of every person for & in respect of
transportation they have allowed any land & y^e same at y^e end of y^e 6 months after
to return into y^e Secretarys Office signed with their hands & forasmuch in a place where
some differences may betwene party & party arise or crimes be perpetrated & Com^{ms}
for y^e preservation of y^e peace & better govern^{mt} of y^e people there residing
doe hereby impowr y^e sd Steph. Horsey Capt^m W^m Thorne & W^m Bosman or any two
of y^m to hear & determine all causes not exceeding 2000^l of Tob. as also
to cause to be apprehend & punished any Criminal offending ag^t any person
of this province provided they proceed not to take life or mem^{br} Given
at St Marys under the lesser Seale of this province this 26th
Day of May in the Two & thirtieth yeare of his lops Dominion
over y^e said Province Annoq^{ue} Domini one thousand six
hundred sixty & owie.