

6 And then bespake them after this manner  
Gentlemen of the Upper  
and Lower Houses of Assembly.

It is most sacred Majesty King  
George the third. God be preserved, has been most  
graciously pleased, out of his abundant wis-  
dom and Justice, to visit us. R. Hanb. Colles  
Lord Proprietaries of this Province, to the  
Governor thereof, and also his of Councils  
to approve of me in this Nation, I now  
take the honour to employ, as appears by  
his Majesty's Royal Instructions under the  
great Seal, and privy Seal of Great  
Britain the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 1718 —

His Majesty, who is the true Defender of  
the Faith, was readily induced to reinstate  
the noble Family of the Baltimore, in  
their ancient Right of governing this  
Province, upon the Consideration of their  
having embraced the Protestant Religion,  
which has not only removed of Ambage,  
has been long wisely conceived in their  
Administration here for reasons of State,  
But I am in strong Hopes this better Sense  
of Principles will prove a continued Spi-  
rit of Liberty. His with great pleasure