

Statute Miles south of Philadelphia, and that from such Point or Place a due East and West Line shall be extended so far Westward as the Meridian of the fountain head of the River Potomack which several abovementioned Lines will I suppose be actually run in about two Years.

3. The Chief Branch of the Trade of this Province is the Importation of Goods from Great Britain, and the annual Exportation of about 28000 Hhheads of Tobacco Thither, in Vessels annually sent hither from thence, to the Number (I take the year 1760) of about 120, of the Burthen of about 18000 Tons, and navigated by 1900 Men: the Vessels owned by the Inhabitants of the Province are about 30 Most of them Sloops and Schooners navigated with about 200 Men, and of thirteen hundred Tons Burthen, they are generally employed in the West India Trade, and in Carrying Corn Bread and Wheat to the Northern Colonies the Number of these Vessels hath much decreased within ten years Past, but as that hath been owing to the Enemies having captured many of our Vessels trading to the Sugar Islands, they will I doubt not increase in Number after the Conclusion of a Peace.
4. There are no Trades, Works, nor Manufactures, which would Prove hurtfull to Great Britain already set up, or about to be set up in this Province,
5. The Inhabitants take annually from Great Britain all sorts of fine and Coarse Woollen and Linens, great Quantities of wrought Leather, wrought Iron, and almost all kind of British Manufactures, and East India Goods, the Particular Quantities of Each cannot be ascertained by reason the same is Consigned or Shipt to a great variety of Persons but it is supposed that the goods which have been Sent hither annually from Britain for these six years Past Cost us more then £160,000
6. The Inhabitants of this Province trade very little to any foreign Plantations, a few small Vessels may be sent in a year to get Salt in some of the Portuguese Islands, and One or two perhaps to the Island of Madeira for Wine. neither do the Inhabitants send any Vessels to other Places in Europe besides Great Britain, except two or three Loaded with Flaxseed & Lumber to Ireland.
7. To prevent illegal Trades the Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs in London appoint Collectors and Surveyors of the Customs to reside on the Principal Rivers, besides there are Naval Officers appointed by the Governor in the several Districts into which the Province is divided and considering the Number of Rivers and Creeks that are Navigable this Method is as effectual to Prevent illicit Trade as can well be.
8. The Inhabitants may perhaps communibus Annis for Years past have got for the