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- enquire yearly of the security and if the said Justices see cause to have it changed then to be fallen in & put in such hands as the said Justice shall think fitt. The said Justices to enquire whether the Orphanes be kept maintained & Educated according to their Estates and if they find any Notorious defect to remove them to other Guardians and also for those that are bound apprentices to change their master if they use them vigorously or Neglect to teach them their trades That no more be allowed to Guardians for collecting debts due to any Estate than ten in the hundred the usuall allowance of Marchants, to their factors and Attorneys
- 12 That thirty pound. of Tobacco per day be allowed to each appraisor of any Estate if they will take it & no more
- 13 That no allowance be made by the Court. of excessive funerall expences but a Regulation thereof be made according to the proportion of the Estate and the quality of the person

To the Right Hon.^{ble} the Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore

71 The Humble Petition of Matthias Decosta of St Maries County in this Province of Maryland Humbly sheweth unto Your Lordship that Your Petitioner Matthias Decosta was borne in full under the Dominion of the King of Portugal and your Petitioner being now removed into this Province hath for long time therein Inhabited being invited to come and dwell within this Province by and upon confidence of Your Lordships declaration of the second of July one thousand six hundred forty nine whereby Your Lordship did empower Your Lordships Governour of this Province from time to time to grant lands to any persons of dutch french or other foreigner descent in the same in a example manner and upon the same terms and provisions as