

~~whereby the same~~  
your Governour from time to time  
logrant lands unto any person of French Dutch  
or Italian descent in the same and in any  
manner upon of same tenures. And before  
they were thereby empowered to grant lands  
any person or persons of British or Irish descent  
and during their said abode within this Province  
have been allwaies faithfull & obedient unto  
your Sops laws. Yett for that both he & y  
rest of y<sup>e</sup> to y<sup>e</sup> orator and not of British  
or Irish descent this y<sup>e</sup> cannot take benefit  
of the laws & Customs of this Province w<sup>th</sup>  
the good People of this Province of British or  
Irish descent may to their great loss & prejudice  
be drawn as also to y<sup>e</sup> lowering of the worth  
of the foreign Nations afores<sup>d</sup> for our s<sup>er</sup>vices  
into this Province & by consequence for the  
the prospering of this Province with usefull  
fines & handicrafts men. It may therefore  
please your top of your abundant good w<sup>th</sup>  
w<sup>th</sup> care of God this Province that it may  
be ordained and enacted by your top with  
y<sup>e</sup> assent of the s<sup>er</sup>ves & s<sup>er</sup>ves of the  
present good all assembly that your top  
with y<sup>e</sup> every of them shall from hence forth  
be adjudged reputed & taken as naturall born  
people of this Province of Maryland & also  
that they & every of them shall & may hence forth  
by y<sup>e</sup> same authority be disabled & adjudged  
able to alienate or sell or convey lands or  
longe as they have or may have lands or  
hereditaments within this Province