

6th Generally all the Inhabitants of this Province being Labourers are employed in planting Tob^o except Cooper and Carpenters, and some few that navigate Sloops and a very small number of other Artificers having Relation to Tobaccos all which (excepted by Estimation) make not above the 6th part of such Labourers.

7th From this Province to England is Exported Tob^o except an inconsiderable Quantity of Turrs and Sassafras Roots.

8th This Province hath little Traffique with any other his Majesty's Colonys in America or Elsewhere, and the little Traffique which is used is by exporting hence, proke, beefe, pipe, Staves, Timber and Suel like together with Wheate flour and some small quantity of Tob^o to Barbadoes, either by small craft belonging to this Province or to New England who trade here for Rum, Sugar and Molasses most especially some parcels of Fish and some inconsiderable Wooden wares of their own Manufacture.

And this Province hath no supply of any Woollen Manufacture else where but from England, except that of the Native woole of this Province, our Necessities having taught us to make some coarse Stocking for servants and Slaves &c.

9th The trade of this Province rises and flows according to the rise and fall of Tob^o in the Markets of England. But yet it is Manifest and apparent that universally less Copies are made of late then formerly, that is today of Tob^o for that the most and best Land for that purpose is cleared and worn out which indeed thereby becomes better for Tillage.

And the late grievous Losses sustained by the death of Cattle hath sufficiently cautioned the Inhabitants by Tillage to make better provisions against the late unusual hard winters and to plant less Tob^o and especially the Country is in want of Servants and Slaves.

10th The present Method against illegall trade is to make diligent Search and Enquiry after illegall Traders, and to have present and Impartial Justice done upon them, when found according to the Strictness of Law, though it be to the disadvantage of this only Province, such Traders (as we suppose) finding a more certain prosecution in our Neighbouring Colonys, so that we believe them all discouraged from frequenting this Province.

11th The Order of Councill of 4th 14th of Feb^r 1694 continued to be observed by the last fleet which sailed out of this Province but it is many ways discouraging and prejudicial to the trade of this Province.

12th The Proclamation of the seventeenth of August 1695. We have reason to thinke hath very much reformed the illegall practice of the Pensilvanians and reducing their Trading in this Province to a good and orderly Methode.

The Southern parts of this Province especially on the Eastern Shore vizt in Somerset, Dorchester and Talbot Counties affords great quantity of