

Here here, from the Date of the Charter 1632  
to the year of our Lord 1691 when their Late Majestie  
King William and Queen Mary were pleased to send  
you a Governour; of their Appointment after this Mary-  
land Continued happily Governed for 24 years the respec-  
tive Governours in that Space receiving their Commissions  
and Instructions immediately from the Crown of which  
I had the last honour: But so soon as his present  
Sacred Maj.<sup>ty</sup> condescended to restore the now Lord Propri-  
etor his professing himself a **PROTESTANT** to his  
Hereditary Government the Papists instantly laid  
in their Claim, to be also restored to their former preten-  
ded Priviledges which when offered to me for my Appre-  
hension by their Principall agent, was Dismissed with  
this Answer I would oppose it to the utmost of my  
Power —

Hence our troubles took their rise  
**UPON** the first Insurrection  
of the Rebels in great Britain against his Majestie  
person and Government those of the same evil Dis-  
position here were so elated with the hopes of their ima-  
ginary Success, and so open & daring in that presumption  
that I was early Obliged to check and restrain their folly  
by a Proclamation published the 14<sup>th</sup> february 1715 to w<sup>ch</sup>  
I refer you for my reasons of so doing —

On the  
the 10<sup>th</sup> of June following (the supposed Birth-  
day of the Pretender) the great Guns of this City  
were fired of late in the Night, these Offenders  
were soon Discover'd by a reward published in a  
Proclamation and afterwards punished according  
to their Demerits soon after these Transactions  
Mr Charles Carroll a professed Papist arriv'd from  
London, with a Com.<sup>o</sup> of Sr Stannig a Nature that  
under pretence of being his Lordships Agent,  
it included with his Instructions, many Essential  
parts of Government these he produced to