

the plantations and that you return the accounts thereof to us. And you are hereby further required and directed to make known to the Manufactures of Pitch and Tar, the Encouragement designed them and the benefit proposed to this Kingdom and the plantations.

2<sup>d</sup> At the next Sessions of Assembly, you shall lay before the Upper and Lower Houses our speech herewith transmitted to you in answer to their address and you shall use your endeavours that the severall matters therein recommended be complied with we verily believing every one of them advantageous and profitable for the publick.

3<sup>d</sup> Whereas it has been found inconvenient and almost impracticable by the ill health which you the said John Hart and your family have laboured under to leave the province in that season of the year which by our former instructions you were appointed to do - You are hereby empowered to remain in it till May next (if you think fit) according to the desire of your letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> of last July - But that neither His Majesties goodness in approving at our request of your departure on account of your health, nor our licence permitting you to come into England granted at your own most earnest solicitations may become useless - We now positively command and require that you the said John Hart do leave the province some time in the month of May (at farthest) which shall be in the year of Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty -

Whereby you will have the better opportunity to explain and justify those other reasons which you presume His Majesty is not unacquainted with for your desiring to return and we to maintain, that there is nothing due to you by the law for the support of Government without having given the least ground to imagine that His Maj. ties Grace and favour intended to you is evaded by totally removing you from your Office instead of giving you leave to be absent from it (which we shall do when we think fit) most unadvised (to give it no worse terms) declaration of yours on the Opinion of our Council given, that by the said law there is no provision made for you during your absence - In which time we will rest assured, that the good people of Maryland bound by their allegiance to His Majesties and the duty they owe to us, and themselves, will so unanimously and stoutly assist those in whose hands we with His Majesties Approbation have thought fit to entrust the administration of the Government, that in case of foreign invasion, insurrections, famine, or further instructions from Great Britain the peace of the province will be duly maintained, and every mans property protected -