

blishing the Colony. Then issued also several Proclamations, and several Orders from the Council-Table, with great assurances under the Broad Seal & privy Seal, that all men, with the Adventurers, and Planters, should be assured, that their Rights and Interests should be conserved and enlarged, onely alteration in point of Government. But both that Commission and renewing of the Companies Charter expired, and all those Proceedings were delayed, by reason of the death of King *James*, which then suddenly ensued. The principal scope of that Commission was, that they should finde a better form of Government for the Countreyes advancement, and therein was especially promised the conservation of every man's right; intentions worthy the wisdom and justice of so great a Prince. But nothing was done by those Commissioners touching either of those ends, nor by those by whose prosecutions these things hapned, who having attained their private ends of spleen and profit upon the changes and revolutions of ensuing times deserted the interest of the Colony, and left her weltring in her blood, unsupplied with Ammunition and Arms in the heat of a difficult war with the Indians: the burthen and charge whereof was onely undergone by the remaining Planters, who thus forsaken by their former friends, were constrained both to work and fight for their lives and subsistence; and thereby preserved the Colony from desertion, and at last restored it by the blessing of God to peace and plenty.

And then, about the year 1633. Lord *Baltimore* pretending, though not truly, the greatest part of the Country was unplanted, procured that the aforesaid judgement so long delayed, was entred, and obtained a Patent, for that part now called *Maryland*, which he hath since held with a few people and small Adventurers, bebarring of those to whom it belonged from planting of it; destroying and ruinating those formerly seated under *Virginia*, at the Isle of *Kent*; and interdicting Trade with the Indians for Furs, discovered and begun by the Virginians, by direction and commission from the King; which since by this means is enjoyed by the Dutch and Swedes, with the profit of many thousand pounds yeerly; which Trade had been solely in the English Nations hands, had not the Lord *Baltimore* inter-