promise thereby to renew and confirm unto the Colony under the great Seal of England, their Lands and Priviledges formerly

granted to them.

8. And when the generall Assembly, consisting of the Governours, Councel, and Burgesses of the whole Colony complained to the Lords of the Councel, of the interruption of their Trade by the Lord Baltamore's Deputies their Lordships were pleased by their Letter July 22. 1634. to fignific that the Plantation of Virginia should enjoy their Estates and Trade, with the same freedom and priviledge as they did before the recalling of their Patent.

By all which it appears, that how soever the Government could not be reduced from that popular form of the Company in England, but by revocation of the Patent it self; yet in respect of both those Kings Declarations, and the Lords Orders, the Adventurers and Planters of Virginia, as to their Rights and Priviledges, according to the Rule of Equity, remain in the same condition, as if no such Judgement had been given.

Object. But they answer hereunto to this effect, though not truely neither, That the Lord Baltamore his Patent takes in no part, that whe Virginians had then planted, and so the ixterests of all men is preserved; and, that Maryland is no other, then a particular Plantation, as the Company used to grant to divers Adventurers and Planters; and, that the King might do as much as the Company while they

Rood.

Answ. 1. We reply, That the Adventurers and Planters were encouraged to expend their Estates, in so vast a proportion, and to hazard their lives in all extremities, alwayes accompanying new designs and beginnings, in hope, that their shares upon the division of Lands, being sour hundred Miles along the Sea-shore, and into the Land from Sea to Sea, would recompence them and their Heirs, as in Ireland, heretofore, and now is done. But this Interest by the Patent of the Lord Baltamere's comprehending neer two degrees, which is an hundred and twenty Miles, is wholly taken from them, and scarce is there 2BY