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the trade with the Indians be inserted into the said Acte as is in the said Acte made in 1646 above mencōned Concerning Customes And in the meane tyme wee doe hereby will and require our said deare Brother to suspend the Execucōn of the said Acte made in 1646 as to those particulers of the Custome of tenn shillings a hhd upon tobacco and the Custome or duty layd vpon wyne and strong waters This wee hope will satisfye the people there that wee neither haue nor had any Intencōn in the leaste to oppresse them nor can wee belieue that our Assent meerely to a lawe which was formerly passed by an Assembly there and the proposalls [of] another lawe instead thereof lesse burthensome (viz) to haue instead of tenn shillings but two intimate[ing] only that in case the latter were not passed there would be an necessity of makeing vse of the former which was all wee did (for wee were soe farre from directing Fendall to leauy the said tenn shillings a hogshhead as contrarily wee did by other letters require him to suspend the Execucōn thereof could be esteemed by the people soe greate an oppression as to cause such Greate mutacons there had they not been beguiled by the Crafte and Subtilty of that false vngratefull fellowe Fendall whoe it seemes could not endure to be tould of his faults and Exorbitances as his negligence at Courts and his Contradicting orders of Courte yea even orders made by himselfe and the Councill wth Expresse provision included that they should not be altered but by himselfe and the Councill &c which Complaynte against him wee gaue him notice of and haue since found to be true though wee could not at first beleiuie soe ill of him This it seemes made him guilty to himselfe that he was not fitt to be continued in his place and consequently being provoked alsoe therevnto by other base humors in him to take that desperate Course of revolting from his truste vnder vs there and engageing many innocent people in that his wicked designe of overturning the Governm^t there which he may haue cause to soone to repent but as to the Generallity of the people which were seduced by him Wee have Given order to our said deare Brother vpon their tymely Submission and assurance of their hearty Sorrow for being soe seduced and of their future fidellity and Good Comportment to us and our Governm^t there to pardon them some few only excepted whome he shall finde did Acte therein more out of mallice then Ignorance and with the same Spirritt and designe as Fendall himselfe did Giuen vnder our hand and Greater Seale at Armes this foure teenth day of September in the nine and twentyth yeare of our Dominion over Maryland And in the yeare of our Lord God One thousand six hundred and sixty.

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