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may bee equally imposed upon Maryland as well as Virginia, since wee with all tender Respect have considered the Interest of his Lo<sup>pps</sup> Province, and profess to find the Advantages to it as great as to his Ma<sup>ties</sup> Country, and noe Inconveniency att all by the in Equallity of the Clime (as hath beene Objected) Since want of Raine not Sunne hinders planting of Cropps there, and Raine is as frequent to the Northward as Southward, and for the Propagation of Plants the only thing rationally to bee urged, It hath beene Experimentaly Knowne that they have had them in England (by the help of hott Bedds) as early as wee in those parts, and England is much more Northward than any of his Lordshipp's Dominions, though hee takes New-found Land in, Soe that wee cannot but hope that neither his Lordshipp nor Province (upon second thoughts) will think much for soe great a good to redeeme themselves and Neighbours from inEvitable poverty to bee at that little and inconsiderable Charge and trouble that Gardiners usually are at here for early frutes or Pothearbes.

Theis things wee have thought fitt to present to yo<sup>r</sup> Lo<sup>pps</sup> view hoping by your grave wisdomes there will bee a Period put to theis unnecessary Disputes and some Effectuall and speedy Course taken for the good of both Countryes.

Which shall bee the hearty prayers of yo<sup>r</sup>  
Lo<sup>pps</sup> most humble & devoted Servants  
Hen: Chicheley  
John Jeffreys  
Edward Digges  
Francis Morryson.

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The Answer of the Lord Baltemore to the Paper exhibited on 16<sup>th</sup> instant to the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lords of his Majestie's most hono<sup>ble</sup> Privy Councill by Sir Henry Chicheley, M<sup>r</sup> John Jeffreys, M<sup>r</sup> Edward Diggs and Collo: Francis Morryson conteining certaine Proposals for the lessning of the quantity of Tobacco in Virginia and Maryland &c.

To the first Proposall he shall for his part most readily concur to any expedient that shalbe thought fitt to sett the Plantacōn upon more staple Commodities.

To the second for a regulacōn of shipping to come together from those parts he wonders to meet with it here so soone again, when it was so lately upon a full hearing of both sides reveiled by his Majesty's royall Councell Board by an Order dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 1662 nor hath any relacōn to the lessening the quantity of Tobacco, which was the only thing recommended by the Board to those Gentlemen to make proposals in. And