

of Virginia and Maryland, prikkinge him selfe distinctly in, and the Kings Majesty out of Maryland? To what purpos els are his Courts off Armes put up in every Court, and under that authority onely Justice administered, all Writts and warrants issued forth, and under or by their Dominion all process and other writings concluded; Appeals to his Royall Majesty into England termed criminall and denyed? Nay what els imports, an Act of Assembly caused to be made A° 50. that all men shall swear Alleagiance and supremacy under the Tittle of Fidelity to the Lord proprietary and his Hyres and Successors for ever, or shall bee banished the province, as by the said oath at large is to bee seen upon which then the Seavorn fight orriginated, and the Lord proprietary l[ost] the Country by it, to which said oath openly maintained, as if the King's Majesty in England hath nothing to doe there, which is wunderfull strange, consideringe New Yorke and all other Provinces in America, honour the King's most excellent Majesty, with the Emperjal Armes and supremacy off England. But wee leave that great consequence to his Royall Majesty and parliament, to deliberat further upon and say onely—

Grante, that ovr Emperiall King Charles the 1. of blessed Memory was surprisid by the Penn man, to intitall my Lord Baltmore by his letter pattent dated aboves<sup>d</sup>, absolute Lord and Proprietary of this then unknowne great tract of land, it was by misinformation and undoubtedly intented conditionally, as playnly appears by the petition in the preamble and the said charter, as the groundwork to all, viz. to civilize and propogate the Gosple, amongst the barbarous Indians, and not to make himselfe or his posterity in time to com, an absolute prince over the King's freeborn Subjects off England and propogate papacy, whereby our posterity will bee brought either to becom pageans or papists, for protestant Ministry is rather depressed then advanced, sometimes not beeing above 2. or 3. orthodox Ministers in the whole province and sometimes none at all.

O yee reverent Bishops in England Here lays the Keye of the work, and the popes service, why doe y<sup>e</sup> not take care for the sheep in Maryland, and send protestant pastores, as the pope doth to his papists, in America?

Next, Wee acknowledge Lord Baltmore our land lord proprietary and the inhabitants his Tennants in Maryland by fealty onely, payeing for all manner of services the yearly quitt Rent as by ovr pattents Wee are no otherwise injoynd: But our souveraign Lord the Kinge, proprietor over Maryland, and wee His onely Subjects and liege freeborne people of Engl<sup>d</sup> to whom wee owe alleageance and fidelity and to no other, and to him wee will swear and engage, to bee true and faithfull,