

L. H. J. Children, of such Pious and Charitable foundations reap not the least benefit thereby.

p. 150 But if the Royall Grant of King William aforesaid be limited to a certain time when it Shall determine as we are Informed it is, then we are in great hopes, that upon the proper Application to his most Sacred Majesty Setting forth that we your Lordships Tennants of this Province, are alike Subjects of Great Brittain wth those of Virginia, That we are under much greater Dificultyes as to Schooles that there hath been great Summs of money Collected on the said Duty of one penny p pound and Applied to the benefit of the Colledge afores^d that a Magnificent Colledge is and hath been long Since built in Virginia, we are humbly of Opinion that it may now be thought reasonable that we his Majestys loyall Subjects of this Province should have some Share of his Royall Bounty towards the Support of a free Schooll already built at Annapolis and that the one penny p pound to be Collected within this Province after the Determination of the Grant to the Governour and trustees of the Colledge of Virginia afores^d might be Applied to the use and Support thereof. Wherefore we humbly implore your Lordships kind endeavours in Assist-

p. 151 ing and carrying on a design so truely noble and beneficial to the whole Province & if Accomplisht will perpetuate your Lord[ships] Memory in the minds of all good people for ages to come.

My Lords. We want words to express our Satisfaction at the entire confidence which your Lordships declare you have in your great Council convened in Generall Assembly and we now promise that we will make it our Chief endeavours to cultivate this good understanding by all the measures of duty and Submission that shall be most Consistent with the true Interest of Maryland, which we promise ourselves your Lordships will always have at heart as well as the Protestant Establishment the true foundation of it. We begg leave to applaud your Lordships tender Compassion, to consciences truely Scrupulous a principle that Speaks you true Sons of that holy and pious Church which Practices Charity with all mankind and we doe further assure you we are led by our Inclinations as well as principles to the same Compassion for all such persons of Scrupulous consciences as demean themselves inoffensively in the Government and do not endeavour the perverting his Majestyes Protestant Subjects to the Superstition

p. 152 of the Church of Rome but if any such persons should complain of persecution merely because We do not make particular laws in their favour, to be a barrier and as it were Skreene them against the laws of great Britain, We flatter ourselves