

Plantations now in Force within this Province is required or otherwise as to his Lordship shall seem meet

Calvert
Papers.

To the Right Honble the Lord Proprietary and his Honble
Council

The humble petition of Ephraim and Gasparus Herman,
and of Ephraim Herman and Johannes De Hayes of Delaware
River

Most humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioners Ephraim and Gasparus Herman
have granted unto them by Letters patents from his Royal
Highness's Government of New York A Tract of Land for
600 Acres, lying on Delaware Bay Side between Opoquenim-
min and Saint Austins Creek together with the Swamps and
marshes therein and thereunto Contiguous, and your Peti-
tioners Ephraim Herman and Johannes De Hayes by Letters
patent as aforesaid one other Tract of Land for 400 Acres
lying in Opoquenimmin Creek at the Old Landing as may be
made appear to your Lordship

That your Petitioners being since informed and now made
sensible that the premises and every part thereof is within the
Bounds of this your Lordships province of Maryland do with
all Humility Acknowledge and Submit to your Lordships
Right and Dominion of and in thereunto and do most humbly
pray (for the strengthening and confirming their Equitable
Right and Title to the said Two Tracts in manner aforesaid
by them at their great Cost and Charges Seated and Improved)
that your Lordship would most Graciously please to accept
such their Dutiful Acknowledgment and Submission as afore-
said by taking them into your Protection, and Granting them
your Lordships patents of Confirmation for the said two
Tracts in manner aforesaid according to the Tenor of their
said Grants from the said Government of New York; they
(in Consideration thereof) Complying with your Lordships
Conditions of plantation now in force within this your said
province and being Obedient to the Laws Customs and
orders of the same, To the great Encouragement of other
persons under the same Circumstances desirous to become
humble Suitors to your Lordship on this Behalf

And as in Duty Bound your Petitioner shall ever pray &c

Signed Eph: Herman

in behalf of Johannes de Hayes and Casparus Herman

The Petitioners complying with his Lordships Conditions of
plantation in force within this province may have pattsents
granted them as is prayed for being hereby Confirmed unto