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H. C. DODSON, General Agent.
St. Michaels, March 25, 1880.

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GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	No. 1.	No. 2.
Oxford, Leave,	7 15 AM	9 50 AM
Trappe,	7 27	10 06
Easton,	7 45	10 31
Woodland,	8 02	10 57
Cordova,	8 12	11 10
Hillsboro,	8 28	11 35
Ridgely,	8 40	11 55
Greensboro,	8 57	12 28 PM
Goldsboro,	9 12	12 57
Henderson,	9 22	1 16
Marydel,	9 32	1 35
Slaughters,	9 45	1 58
Kenton,	10 03	2 34
Clayton, Arrive,	10 18	3 00
Wilmington,	12 00	6 45
Philadelphia,	1 15 PM	8 25
Baltimore,	3 35	9 25
New York,	4 25	3 45 AM

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	No. 3.	No. 4.
New York, Leave,	4 25 AM	8 35 AM
Baltimore,	7 05	9 45
Philadelphia,	8 00	11 45
Wilmington,	9 15	1 10 PM
Clayton,	11 05	4 30
Kenton,	11 21	4 49
Slaughters,	11 39	5 14
Marydel,	11 51	5 30
Henderson,	12 01 PM	5 43
Goldsboro,	12 11	5 56
Greensboro,	12 28	6 18
Ridgely,	12 42	6 36
Hillsboro,	12 54	6 50
Cordova,	1 10	7 11
Woodland,	1 20	7 23
Easton,	1 36	7 45
Trappe,	1 58	8 13
Oxford, Arrive,	2 10	8 30

All Freights must be at the various stations at least Thirty (30) Minutes before starting of trains, otherwise they will lay over twenty-four hours.

Freight Trains will have Passenger Car attached, which will be subject to delays incident to the Freight business.

O. S. SANFORD, Supt.

Oxford, July 23d, 1880.

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C. R. LEONARD & BRO.

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Livery, Sale and Exchange Stables,

EASTON, MD.,

SOLOMON PIPPIN, Proprietor.

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Passengers conveyed to any part of the peninsula.

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SHINGLES, LATHS,

Sash, Doors, Bricks, &c.

AT LOW PRICES, FROM

SAML. BURNS & CO.,

104 Light Street Wharf,

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STEAM SAW & PLANING MILLS.

PINE, HEMLOCK, CYPRESS

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SHINGLES, LATHS, PICKETS, MOULDINGS, CASINGS, FRAMES, SASH, DOORS, BLINDS, LIME AND HAIR,

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Building Materials,
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DOORS, SASH, BLINDS.

and Mill Work generally.

PRICES LOWER THAN EVER.

My long experience in the Lumber trade should be a guarantee to purchasers of my ability to suit them both in quality and prices.

Prime articles of No. 1 White Pine and White Hemlock Fencing now in stock.

Principal Office in Easton and Yard at Easton Point connected by Telephone.

Deliveries made on navigable water free of freight.

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Goods from the above establishment suitable to the season, for Men, Boys and Children, of the most elegant styles, fabric and manufacture that has ever been offered in this market.

☞ Persons wishing to purchase will be well paid by giving us a call.

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Miscellaneous.

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In Spring & Summer Clothing

25 to 50 per cent. reduction to close out our entire stock and not carry it over to next season.

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We beg leave to call the attention of the public to our handsome and commodious drug store on Washington street, Easton, Md., next door to J. J. Jump & Co. where we keep a full stock of

DRUGS,

Fine Chemicals,

French, English & American Perfumery,

Imported and American Soaps

Cosmetics, Tooth Brushes, Hair Brushes and Combs,

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FRENCH CANDIES

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Our stock has been selected with great care and special attention has been paid to the *quality* of Drugs and Chemicals. Physicians are especially invited to examine our stock. We assure the public that any prescriptions entrusted to our care will be compounded skilfully by competent Pharmaceutists. Our prices will be as low as is consistent with the *quality* of medicines furnished.

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The place to get the Best Flour, *Is at J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

The place to get the best Syrup & Molasses, *Is at J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

The place to get nice Buckwheat & Meal, *Is at J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

The place to get first quality Cigars and Tobacco, *Is at J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

Anything you want in the Grocery line, *Is at J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

If you want a good pair of Boots or Shoes, made to order, *Go to J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

If you want Boots or Shoes repaired, *Go to J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

And while you are waiting and feel like eating Candy or Cake, J. Hughes & Co.'s is the place to get it.

Those who have Country Produce to exchange for Goods please come to *J. HUGHES & CO.'S.*

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With the aid of the little Pocket Stove, you can boil a cut of water, broil a steak, or cook an egg in a few minutes. It is the very thing for travelers, picnics, or family use. Having once used it, you will find it indispensable. For sale at TRIPPE'S.

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Use Twin Brothers Dry Hop Yeast.

For sale by J. C. Henry.

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Acomplete assortment of

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We are prepared to put in new or repair old Bells in Town or Country.

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Furnaces and Fire-Place Heaters put in to order.

All kinds of Stove, Furnace and Tin Repairing attended to.

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Also a handsome stock of

Dry Goods, Groceries,

Farming Implements

Ready-Made Clothing,

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&c., &c., which will be sold as cheap as they can be bought in Baltimore, Easton, or any other place. Call and see him.

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Full Sets of Teeth at Bottom Prices.

Dr. J. C. HARDIN,

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I am authorized to make sale of some of the most valuable and in every way most desirable Real Estate in Talbot and Queen Anne's Counties. These farms are in tracts varying from 400 Acres to as small as 15 Acres, at prices ranging from $15 to $100 per Acre.

☞ The most reasonable terms can be made with purchasers.

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Salad Oil.

A splendid article of Fresh Salad Oil just received and for sale at *R. J. TRIPPE'S.*

FOR SALE--

A mule eight years old, fifteen hands high, gentle and kind, fast walker, a good traveller; also a new suit of harness and Dear born wagon. Will be sold on 9 months time with note and approved security, bearing interest from date.

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Select Poetry.

Talking it Over.

BY JOSEPHINE POLLARD.

"How long do you say it is, mother,
Since I drove Zachariah away,
With never a blessing to help him?
Just ten years ago to a day?
And we have been favored with plenty;
'Tis seldom that many enjoy
An easier lot: and I wonder
If the years have gone hard with the boy.

"He was willful and proud, you remember,
And I was quick as a flash,
And stern in those days, for I fancied
That boys needed plenty of lash.
I've thought it over and over,
And grieved not a little for Zach.
Poor boy! do you think he imagines
How my heart has been calling him back?

"For ten long, long years, I have carried
A burden of shame and regret;
But if wormwood we drop in the fountain,
Then bitter is the draught that we get.
Though seldom we've spoken together
Of this, the one grief of our life,
You never accused me of harshness,
Nor vexed with upbraidings, dear wife.

"The graves that are down by the orchard
Seemed never so sad and so small;
'Twas only our Zach, who was spared us,
And grew up so handsome and tall.
Ah! he was a lad to be proud of,
So manly, and honest, and true!
And whenever a man was in trouble,
He seemed to know just what to do.

"It must be my sight is much clearer
In these fond and foolish old days,
For I never had one bit of patience
With Zach., nor a word in his praise.
I thought every minute was wasted
He didn't keep steady to work,
And ruled—don't shake your head, mother,
Like some old tyrannical Turk.

"But I have grown older and wiser,
And see, in some sort of amaze,
The great many sins I committed
In those unregenerate days.
And if ever the dear boy should enter
These doors—how my glasses grow dim!
Right down on my knees I'd go, mother,
A begging forgiveness of him!

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There came a swift step through the entry,
The door was thrown speedily back,
And flooding the room with his sunshine,
Came the handsome young prodigal, Zach!
No longer the old folks remember
The past, with its sorrows and cares,
But feel that—in talking it over—
Into heaven they'd slipped unawares.

Miscellaneous.

THE WORTHIES OF TALBOT:

BEING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BIOGRAPHICAL ANNALS OF THAT COUNTY.

THE REVEREND THOMAS BACON, D. D.

In recent numbers of THE EASTON STAR there was published an account of the "Charity Working School," set up in this county in the middle of the last century, by the Reverend Doctor Thomas Bacon. The establishment of this school was but a single act, though a laudable and an important one, in the founder's busy life of laborious usefulness; and the narrative should properly have made but a part of the more complete story of that life which it is now proposed to tell with as much fullness as the very imperfect records and meagre memorials will permit.*

Of the early life of Mr. Bacon little or nothing is certainly known. He is represented to have been born of respectable parents in the Isle of Man—that little spot of earth which long held such an anomalous political relation to the kingdom of Great Britain, and indeed in a measure still holds it, and whose people are so characteristically distinguished from their compatriots on either side of the sea that surrounds it, whether English, Irish or Scotch. He is thought to have been born about the year 1700, when though William of Orange was upon the throne of England, the Earl of Derby was King of *Man*. As little is known of his education as of his birth and parentage. The evidences which he gave in after life are proofs of his having enjoyed good academic instruction; for he was undoubtedly acquainted with the ancient languages, and his learning was such as to merit the degree of Doctor of Divinity which late in life was conferred upon him by one of the universities of the United Kingdom, probably that of Dublin, in which city he gave his first exhibition of scholarly tastes and habits. After the conclusion of his academic course he appears to have travelled extensively, adding to his stock of knowledge by observation of men and manners in his own and foreign countries. His biographer speaks of him as having at this period of his life life "experienced many changes of fortune," without noting what these were; but the expression may be understood as meaning that he attempted several callings without achieving success in any. It is certain that the sacred ministry was not the calling of his first adoption. In the year 1737 he was residing in the city of Dublin, and had before this date published "a laborious and judicious work entitled '*A complete* System of Revenue in England'," a work which the bibliographers have not been able to trace, but of which he himself gives a brief account. From the nature of this work it is not improbable that he held some post under the government in the department of the revenue. But by the year 1738 his mind had been diverted from civil or secular pursuits and he had determined to devote himself to the sacred calling of the Christian ministry, with a purpose, probably, of exercising his vocation in the provinces of Virginia or Maryland, which then offered an inviting field to either the conscientious or the selfish clergyman of the church of England. He was fortunate in having at his former home, in the Isle-of-Man, to which he returned, so warm a friend, so learned an instructor and so pious and devoted an exemplar in all the professional as well as christian virtues, as "good Bishop Wilson," the memory of whose pure life and good deeds is still and ever shall be fresh and fragrant in the church catholic.† It would seem that Mr. Bacon's preparation for the ministry was deliberate and thorough, for it was not until 1744 that he was admitted to holy orders. On the 23d of September of that year he was ordained deacon and on the 11th of March of the year following he was ordained priest, Bishop Wilson in each case being the ordinant, and the ceremony taking place in Kirk Michael, one of the parish churches of the diocese of Sodor and Man. At this time and up to the period of the Revolution, the colonies in America were under the ecclesiastical control of the Bishop of London, and it was only with his consent that ministers of the established church were allowed to exercise their functions in the provinces. Mr. Bacon was set apart for this duty, with the assent of this prelate. He had selected the province of Maryland as the field of his labors, his attention having been drawn in this direction by his brother Mr. Anthony Bacon, a London merchant.‡ He had formed the acquaintance of the Lord Proprietary, and having won his favor and esteem, it is probable he received some assurances of a presentation to a living, should a vacancy occur. At this date the Proprietary of Maryland was Charles Calvert, the fifth, or as some say the sixth Lord Baltimore. The family had again become Protestant in faith, Benedict Leonard Calvert having in 1713 publicly abjured Romanism. Before leaving England for the field of his labor, Mr. Bacon had been appointed domestic chaplain to the Proprietary, which appears to have been a purely honorary position, or if there was any salary attached, the office was a sinecure inasmuch as no duties were required. This honor, and whatever else the place brought to him, if anything, he continued to enjoy through life, as we find him as late as 1765, inscribing himself in his book of Laws, as "Domestic Chaplain to the Lord Proprietary."

Before leaving England; but at what date it is not certainly known Mr. Bacon had married a wife and by her a son had been born to him. These accompanied him upon his voyage to America, and in a new country they were neither burdens upon his energy nor impediments to his usefulness.

Mr. Bacon arrived at Oxford, in this county, in October of the year 1745, not improbably a passenger upon one of the ships of his brother, Mr. Anthony Bacon. He did not come as among entire strangers. As before mentioned his brother was maintaining intimate commercial intercourse with the people of Talbot, and had himself at one time been a resident of the county. His agents were established wherever tobacco was to be bought and goods sold advantageously. To these agents and correspondents the Rev. Mr. Bacon doubtless brought letters of introduction from his brother. But at Oxford he met with a fellow Islander, Mr. Henry Callister, for whom he brought letters from his friends in the Isle-of-Man and who, indeed, had had advices of Mr. Bacon's coming. This gentleman had been settled at Oxford, since 1742, as a subfactor under Mr. Robert Morris, the chief factor for *Maryland*, of Messrs. Foster, Cunliffe & Company, merchants of Liverpool. Though occupying this subordinate yet entirely respectable position, out of which he arose at a later day, Mr. Callister was a man of repute and influence by reason of his high intelligence and his strong traits of character. It was his custom to copy the letters which he addressed to the firm of which he was agent as well as many of those written to his friends and kinsmen in England or America. Fortunately the large collection of these letters, covering a period of more than twenty years, from 1742 to 1765, has escaped destruction, and is now in a position where it may be consulted by the curious. Mr. Callister was very evidently a man of superior education and accomplishments; and being fond of using his pen, his letters are something more than the formal statements of a merchant's clerk, or the trivial communications of an absent kinsman to his family at home. They are written with no inconsiderable literary skill, while they make most interesting references to men and things in this and the adjoining counties with the writer's comments thereon. Among the persons mentioned was Mr. Bacon, with whom he was upon terms of intimacy and good fellowship from the date of his arrival and for many years after. A common origin, being both from the Isle-of-Man, and common tastes, being both fond of books and of music, drew these two persons together, though differences in religious and political sentiment tended to divide them, Mr. Bacon being a churchman and tory while Mr. Callister was sceptic and whig. As these letters give much information of him with whom this contribution is concerned, which can be obtained from no other source, they will be freely used.§

The earliest of these that mention Mr. Bacon is one addressed to his brother Mr. Hugh Callister, within at Oxford, and dated July 28th, 1746. In this letter he says: "This Mr. Bacon, you speak of, I suppose is brother to Mr. Anthony Bacon, who kept a store on this river, and is now a merchant in London, for I heard that one Bacon, a brother of his in Dublin, who wrote a book of rates, is arrested in this country, after getting away in London, to be inducted parson of our parish, and that he had another brother in Dublin, who kept a coffee house." This letter was written, therefore, before Mr. Bacon's arrival in Maryland; but another bearing the date of November 5th, 1744 and addressed to Mr. Tear of Douglass, in the Isle of Man, contains this passage: "I should have passed for a tip-top musician if the Reverend Mr. Bacon had not come in. He handed me your letter and some others from Douglass. Immediately upon his landing, he found the way to our house, and stayed with me about half a day. He has been to see us several times, and at our parish church he has given several sermons, which have got the better of most of the audience. There are a few blockheads who have aspersed him and his wife's character, but as he will always be known to the best people, what the fools say will not hurt him. He is a very agreeable companion, and a sober and a learned man. His performances on the violin and violoncello have afforded us much delight, and his conversation as much. I have a pretty set of music, and he has a better. We have a brute of a parson here in our parish, and the vestry and people would gladly turn him out to make room for Mr. Bacon, but the latter will not be concerned, as he compassionates the other's misfortunes. We shall prevail on him at last to accept a good salary. The ordinary salary would not be much, but the extraordinary subscriptions he would get, if he should stay with us, would be worth his while. He has in a very little time got the esteem of our best people. He is still a neighbor, but I am afraid he will leave us as soon as a vacancy in some other part of the province offers for him." On the 12th of November, only seven days after the writing of the letter to Mr. Tear, Mr. Callister wrote to his brother Ewan Callister, of Douglass, in these words: "I received with pleasure yours of the 18th June, which was handed me by the Rev'd Mr. Thomas Bacon, whom, I am in great hopes, we shall retain among us. He is very much esteemed by the best of our people, and almost universally he is esteemed a clever fellow, and I believe a good man. We have had several concerts together, and may have frequent opportunities to divert ourselves in that way. He is received as curate of this parish, and is allowed by the parson, who is an invalid 20,000 lbs. of tobacco per annum, with perquisites, which may amount to 5 or 6,000 more, which is a very good living; and when the old parson dies, which he will in a very little time, I hope he will get the berth. It is about 60,000 lbs. of tobacco per annum, which is worth in the country one year with another £500 paper, or 250 £ sterling; and as parsons are allowed to trade with their tobacco, if he will ship it to England, it may produce as much more per annum."

These letters of Mr. Callister are so explicit that they need no comment nor elucidation. They serve to indicate with precision the time of Mr. Bacon's arrival at Oxford, the cordiality of his reception, not only by those for whom he brought letters, but by the people in general, the estimate that was placed upon his abilities as a preacher, and his social qualities, and finally of his installation as the curate of Mr. Manadier in St. Peter's parish. This gentleman who was far advanced in years, and had long been incapacitated for the full performance of his ministerial functions, and who, in truth, never had been efficient or acceptable as a preacher, though he commended himself by an exemplary life, died Feb. 23d, 1745. The Lord Proprietary of the province enjoyed advowsons of all the parishes, and in his absence the Governor for the time being exercised the prerogative of presentation to livings. Accordingly, it is found, that immediately after the death of Mr. Manadier, Governor Bladen, doubtless by the direct command of Lord Baltimore, previously made known, and at the request of the vestry, issued letters of induction to Mr. Bacon. At a meeting of the vestry held March 18th, 1745 he presented these letters and also his certificates of ordination; whereupon, by an unanimous vote of the vestrymen and church wardens he was accepted as rector of St. Peter's parish, and his papers were ordered to be placed upon record; which was accordingly done, and there they may be seen to this day.†

* In order that credit may be given where it is justly due, it is proper to state that a large part of the materials used in the preparation of this biographical sketch is to be attributed to the Rev. Dr. Ethan Allen, the industrious collector of so much information respecting the clergymen who exercised their functions as ministers of the established church, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church, its successor, in Maryland. In the "Quarterly Church Review" for Oct. 1865, Dr. Allen published quite an extended memoir of Mr. Bacon, in which he embodied almost all that was then known of him. This memoir has been freely used. Some errors trivial as well as important have been corrected, and some additions have been made of incidents in Mr. Bacon's life which were either unknown to his biographer, or which he thought it proper to suppress as being unsuitable for or unworthy of publication. These additions have been made from sources entirely authentic—public records or private letters and memoranda. Some of the sources of Mr. Allen's information have been re-examined, but others are beyond the reach of the present writer; so many of his statements must be taken upon his authority alone, as there are no means of verification.

† To this saintly man the pious throughout the world shall ever be indebted for his books of devotion, the people of his diocese for innumerable benefits, temporal and spiritual, and even we, of this far distant county, for acts of benevolence which should never be forgotten, and which justify this tribute. Such was his unselfishness that he refused several offers, by his sovereign, of translation to sees of richer revenue; such his lowliness of mind that he persistently declined taking the seat in the House of Lords, to which he was entitled; such his gentleness of spirit that he was never known to speak a harsh word even of those who wronged him; such his charities to the poor that he was said to have kept beggars from all doors but his own; and such his humility, reaching beyond the grave, that when he came to die, he forbade his son to inscribe upon his tomb any words of praise. The best eulogium that can be pronounced upon Mr. Bacon is that he enjoyed the constant friendship of Bishop Wilson.

‡ Mr. afterwards Sir Anthony Bacon, the brother of Mr. Thomas Bacon, was a large shipping merchant of London, who for many years, and as long as the tobacco trade was profitable, maintained a close commercial intercourse with the people of this province. He had his factors or agents, with their stores and warehouses at several points in this and adjoining counties, Oxford, Dover, and Cambridge, among them. His ships traded in Choptank, Saint Michaels and Wye Rivers. He was at one time, perhaps more than once, in Talbot, and in the year 1748 he formed a copartnership with Mr. James Dickinson, settled at Dover, between whom, and the Bacons, there was some relationship through marriage. After closing his business in Maryland Mr. Anthony Bacon engaged in mining in Glamorganshire, Wales. Between his Maryland trade and his Welsh mining he achieved a great fortune, and was knighted. [This is upon the authority of Mr. John Beaman Kerr.] He wrote and published in 1775 a small book entitled "A short address to the Governmnent, the Merchants, Manufacturers and Colonists in America and the Sugar Islands." He died without children.

§ This collection of several hundred letters is now in the possession of the Diocese of Maryland, and it is through the courtesy of Dr. E. A. Dalrymple, the Curator of the Archives of that Diocese, that the writer has been permitted to consult them. They are interesting and valuable as affording information of the state of society in this and the adjoining counties; but more particularly of the condition and character of trade, domestic and foreign, during the time which they cover.

† At the date of this letter the rector of the parish of St. Peter was the venerable and excellent Mr. Daniel Manadier, a French Huguenot. His age and infirmities required that he should have a curate, and the person acting in this capacity for him, and to whom Mr. Callister refers was the notorious Nathaniel Whitaker, very justly characterized as "a brute of a parson," for he was a drunkard, a gambler and a quarrelsome fellow. He was dismissed by Mr. Manadier at the urgent request of his vestry; but he seems to have been in such favor with Governor Bladen as to be appointed by him rector of Westminster parish in Anne Arundel county. While there he was publicly whipped by a lady, as is recorded in the old Maryland Gazette, in the following terms: "We read that at a county court held here the 9th of July of this year (1749) a Mrs. S. C., of Patapsco, was fined the sum of one penny for whipping the Rev. Mr. N——l W——r with a Bicory switch, it being imagined by the court that he well deserved it." He died in jail in Somerset county in 1766.

‡ This letter of induction and these certificates of ordination (one of the last only) are here inserted as ancient documents interesting both as to matter and form.

LETTER OF INDUCTION.

Maryland ss.

Thomas Bladen, Esq., Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Province of Maryland, To the Reverend Thomas Bacon, sendeth greeting: I do hereby constitute you the said Thomas Bacon to be the Rector of the church of St Peter's parish in Talbot county, To have, hold and enjoy the said church, together with all the rights, profits and advantages whatsoever appertaining to a minister of the said parish; and do hereby require the Church Wardens, Vestrymen and all others the Parishioners of the said Parish, to receive, acknowledge and assist you the said Thomas Bacon in all matters relating to the discharge of your function.

Given at Annapolis this third day March in the thirty-first year of the Lordship's Ambition, Anno Dominc, 1745. J. Ross, Cl. Con'c.

T. BLADEN. [Seal]

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