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Westmoreland, Last Tuesdays. Accomack. First Wednesdays. Charles city, Warwick First Thursdays. Isle of Wight, Hanover, New-Kent. Second Thursdays. Southampton, Nortalk, Third Thursdays. Culpepper, Gloucester, Fourth Thursdays. Orange, Chesterfield, First Fridays. King George, Lancaster, Second Fridays. Carolina, King William, Third Fridays each month. Amelia.

Thus the government is divided into forty-five counties, whereof fix hold quarterly courts, and thiry-nine hold monthly courts; fee the proper article of legislative and executive courts.

The country between James river and York river is the best inhabited, cultivated, and produces the best tobacco.

Lunenburgh, their remotest settlement, is about 100 miles S. W. from Hanover; Hanover is 60 miles from

Williamsburg, the metropolis.

The lands west of the Virginia settlements are claimed by the Six nations, called by the French Iroquois, and by the British, Mohawks; they are also claimed by the southern Indians; see vol. I. p. 187; and by the French of Canada. The best lands are above the falls of the rivers; the sirst falls of each river must be the barcadiers for the back or inland countries, and in time become great towns or corporations.