What Colony am I?

1.) Although colonists attempted to settle me in 1587, no one knows what ultimately happened to them. We do know that Virginia Dare would become the first English-born child in the New World, here. It wasn’t until 1663 when my charter was given to a group of nobleman called the Lord’s Proprietors that settlement within my borders occurred. ________________________________

2.) America’s first permanent colony was settled along my shores in 1607. For many years, the colony seemed on the brink of destruction because of disease and hostile Natives. When John Rolfe perfected a new kind of tobacco, I started to thrive. ________________________________

3.) I was given away in 1681 as part of the largest land-grant ever issued at the time. Because my founder was Quaker, my charter was set up to allow for religious freedom, which attracted many settlers from Germany. One of my cities, Philadelphia, would become the most important in all of the colonies and was home to Benjamin Franklin. ________________________________

4.) The first settlers to my shores, the “Pilgrims,” landed in 1620, although they thought they were headed to Virginia. The Pilgrims were quickly absorbed by Puritans, an industrious group of religious reformers who followed strict religious rules and who were intolerant of other religious groups. It was in my largest city, Boston, where many of the events such as the Boston Massacre and Boston Tea Party occurred before the Revolutionary War. ________________________________

5.) I was the last of the 13 colonies to be settled. I was founded by James Oglethorpe, who envisioned me as a place where British debtors could find refuge and who would defend the colony from possible attack from Spanish Florida to the south. ________________________________

6.) I was originally settled by the Dutch in 1617 as New Amsterdam. In 1664, however, the British sailed into my harbor and demanded that the Dutch surrender the colony, which included all land between the Hudson and Delaware Rivers. The British King, Charles II, named the new colony after his brother. ________________________________
Answers

1.) North Carolina
2.) Virginia
3.) Pennsylvania
4.) Massachusetts Bay
5.) Georgia
6.) New York