

Elizabeth Finely says that Silvester Wolch sent by his Negro three Pounds of the Country Powder to Wolls and that Wolls opened it and took some of it in his Cards and paid his Country Powder and that <sup>Wolls paid</sup> Wolch therefor by his Servants work in weaving some Cloth for Wolls. - April 3. 1707

This Committee having fully heard and considered the aforesaid Declarations do humbly report to the House that they find there was a Design framed by Richard Clarke Daniel Wolls and a certain Person who termed himself a Sailor to <sup>take</sup> get some Vessel and get ~~it~~ what Assistance they could in Order to disturb her Majesty's Peace and Government here to make an Attempt upon the Town of Annapolis and burn some Houses there and whilst that Consternation continued to seize the Magazine and Powder House to furnish themselves with Arms and Ammunition in Order to go a Crueltying that they had so far prosecuted their Design as to gain several Housekeepers of desperate Fortunes and other disaffected Persons to their Party and that Clarke by his Prodigality in expending and spreading about the Counterfeit Money had so insinuated himself into the Minds of several <sup>servants belonging to</sup> Persons in and near the Town of Annapolis and elsewhere to join with them in their wicked and wicked Design and Intent. That they had Cabals together especially at Annapolis where a Time for their going was confided to be some Time in March last that they had agreed to take Mr. Bruffs Boat and if that not sufficient Mr. Ewan Jones's Shallop or any other Vessel fit for their Turn and as soon as they had done their Mischief here to go to Carolina that Clarke was assisted out of South River <sup>Wolls paid</sup> by <sup>him</sup> called the Sailor who afterward came to Annapolis to prepare the others but Wolls having broke some of Clarke's Money was in Fear of being apprehended whereupon he, the Sailor and Simpson had a Meeting at the House of Smithers in Annapolis and then Wolls and the Sailor went off in a Boat and pursued a Shallop wherein was Mr. Jacob Loochman Junr. and one Edward Taylor bound for South River but not gaining their Intent made their way down the Bay and came within a Days Journey of Clark. Sometime after several of them were apprehended in Annapolis and committed to Prison, to wit, Simpson Cooper, Williams, Coakch and Hoyton, where they now lye by his Excellency's Order who we think deserve the utmost Thanks of the House for his Care therein for had this cursed and villainous Design taken Effect we and our Posterity might have been ruined by the burning of the Records which we are of Opinion was the chief Intent and Design of those Villainies.

As to those Persons that were running away with Mr. Galo's Sloop at the Eastern Shore we are of Opinion 'twas to the same Intent of the others. (As)