

according to the Demeritts of these offences

And hee shall eu^r pray &ce^a

House of
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Mary Forde

A Charge to bee prefer'd by Mary ffoorde widdowe against Captaine Cornwallis who stands vnder baile to the Com^{tee} of Examinacōns to answer any matter of ffact that shalbee objected against him there or elsewhere.

Whereas it is highly evident both by Letters and other Testimonies, that one Cap^t Cornwallis here in Towne, hath heretofore and still is a great Agent and factor for the settling of a Popish faction in Mary-Land, to the great disadvantage and affliction of the Protestants in that Country, who were long before settled in Newe England and Virginia; Nowe in regard of the Lord Baltimores poysned purposes, they subtilly pitcht themselves betweene them, where they might more easely mature their designes, w^{ch} was to stick fast their supstition, and to Rob, murther, and destroy, what euer they should meete in opposicōn to them, in w^{ch} designes the said Cornwallis hath euer yett beene the cheife Actor.

Now for asmuch as they might make their intents more fruitfull, the said Cornwallis endeauored the plantinge of the place (as it should seeme) with Childeren, although stole from their parents, in whome his principalls might bee the better fixt, And to w^{ch} purpose hee stole from M^{rs} ffoord here in towne two Childeren the one a boy about 3. or 4. yeares ould, the other a daughter about 5. or 6. yeares of age, there to bee brought according to his will, w^{ch} fact the mother of the said Childeren is ready to craue Justice in.

In pursuance of the said busines the said Cornwallis did in the Country of Virginia about 11: yeares since goe forth himselfe into the bay of Chesupiack a free place for trade, for all the Inhabitants of Virginia, & their meeting with a boate of Virginia hee the saide Cornwallis would haue surpriz'd her but the Virginians standing vpon their Guards, the said Cornwallis from his owne lipps comanded the men in his owne boate to shoote at them, hee having noe other ground to fix this his Accōn on, but the Lord Baltamores propriety w^{ch} hee the said Lord had gained from his Ma^{ty} in the wronge of the Inhabitants of Virginia, as will more Clearly appeare when time shall serve, hee the said Cornwallis by that comandd slew an honnest Gentleman one M^r Warren and hurt others, w^{ch} murther is yett by him vnanswered for.