Liber P. R. behalfe; doe hereby authorise you & withall will & require you privately to inquire & informe your selves whether there be any publique fame or no within the said Iland, virginea, or other places, of such delay of iustice by the said Giles Brent, & if by such inquiry, or otherwise without it of your owne knowledge you be satisfied that there is such publique fame, then to call before you all such persons, as you think can say any thing therin, & them to examine by their corporall oath, vpon all such Interrogatories, as you shall think fitt & requisite to give vs true & certaine knowledge whether any such injustice or oppression have beene committed by the said Giles Brent, & at what time or times, & to what persons & in what causes, & to what effect & importance & in what other manner, nature, or circumstances as you shall think pertinent to such inquiry, And the examinations so taken signed wth the deponents hands to transmitt to vs or or Lieutent Generall without delay, and before the first of december next at the furthest. Given at St Maries this 21. october 1642. witnesse or brother &c.

The examinaon of Thomas Speak gent, taken before m^r Secretary, at the requiring of m^r Giles Brent gent that he should be examined what he knew or could say touching a ewe sheepe feloniously killed as the said Giles Brent suspecteth by some of the souldiers late vpon the Ile of Kent vnder the comand of m^r william brainthwait.

This examinate saith that vpon a Sonday in the afternoone, the 9th Octob as he remembereth he this exa^{ate} with the rest of the souldiers coming to Popelie's Iland, saw divers peices of mutton boiling in a pott over the fire, w^{ch} was (as he thinketh) putt into the pott by the cook of the company (because he vsed to dresse the victuals; & he thinketh that all the company ate of it when it was dressed, but he this exa^{ate} was sick at that pnt, wherby he saw not who ate of it, but he saw divers peices of mutton putt into 3. dishes, and the dishes wth the mutton served out to the messes.

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October 23 Nathaniel Littleton of Accomack gent p attornat willia Luddington demandeth of Thomas Carey & ffrancis Brooks of Kent nine hundred wt tob wth cask attachmt to answere 1st decemb & pforme. to be returned eod:

copie of an acquittance

March 1° 1641

Received by me Leonard Calvert Esq from Cutbert ffenwick