

P. R. O. cause of complaint against the said Rousby or any other person
 Colonial that he do then first give him or them a particular charge
 Entry Book, thereof and receiving their answer thereunto that his Lordship
 No. 106. do transmit the said charge and answer with sufficient proofs
 that his Ma^{ty} may direct justice according to the merit of the
 case. As also that tho' his Maj. might justly direct his writ of
 Quo Warranto to issue out that nevertheless his Maj. had only
 ordered the Com^{rs} of the Customs to charge his Lord^p with the
 payment of two thousand five hundred pounds which his Maj.
 had sustained in damage by the obstruction that M^r Badcock
 his Maj. Surveyor had received in his office by the undue pro-
 ceedings of the said Lord Baltimore.

P. R. O. Coll Steevens
 Colonial
 Papers. Worthy Sir

14th December London 1681.

Yours of the 2^d of August came to my hand but yesterday
 and by what ship it came I cannot tell but it is very welcome
 and I Returne you very hearty thanks for it and for all your
 kindnesses Especially for your favouring Countenancing and
 advancing that affaire of his Majesties wherein I am Con-
 cerned which poore Badcock Signified to mee not a week
 before hee dyed. S^r I doubt not but you have heard before
 now what paines my Lord Baltimore hath taken to ruine mee
 in my Estate Reputation and life by Idle malicious and dam-
 nable false accusations to the Commisioners of the Customes
 the Secretary of State and my Lord Privy Seale all which I
 have answered and I thanke God am in a very faire way to be
 very suddenly Cleared and Confirmed in my place to great
 advantage The Carriage of his Lordsp^p to M^r Badcock in
 the Case of the shipp^s that came to Maryland in the summer
 with Certificates of having given bond to goe for England
 Ireland Wales or Berwick is very ill Resented by the Lords of
 his Majesties Councill and his Lordsp^p will very suddenly Re-
 ceive a Severe Reprimand for his opposeing his Majesties
 Interest and obstructing his affaires I pray present my due
 Respects to M^r Howard and tell him I have a Strict Charge
 not only from the Commissners of the Customes but from the
 Lords Commisioners of the Treasury to be very Circumspect
 to Receive his Majesties duty of $\frac{d}{4}$ p^{lb} of all such shipp^s as bring
 Certificates of having given bond here to Returne for England
 Ireland Wales or Barwick for although the act of 22 and 23 of
 the King which Enjoynes the leaving out of the word Ireland
 be expired yet the duty is due by the Act of the 25th of the
 King for all Tobaccoes for which Bond is not given to bring
 the same to England Wales or Berwick, or some Plantation and
 to noe other place soe that now if they pay their duty they may
 goe directly for Ireland without touching in England otherwise