

Fendall—I was made acquainted with it soon after but took no notice of it more than to be their passionate expressions and should not have minded it only now finding these persons my Accusers I thought fit to make use of it. As for M<sup>r</sup> Dent and his Evidence I can say that himself was the person that told me the poplar hill people were all afraid of being cut off every moment by the Papists and Indians and that they themselves were in the same condition and were forced to keep guard night and day and now he has inverted the scene and to save himself throws it upon me—But I desire Edward Slade may be called he will inform the Court and the Jury concerning Bright and his Wife.

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Ct:—Edward Slade!

Slade—Sometimes in the Summer I went to Richard Alwood's house where I met with John Bright and his Wife with whom falling into discourse I asked them where they lived they said they had lived at Cap<sup>t</sup> Fendall's and fell a railing at him calling him knave and said he had cheated them out of their Tobacco and such like scurrilous language and said John Bright for a hogs head of Tobacco I would hang him if he be cleared.

Bright—I said that if he were condemned to dye rather than he should want a hangman I would hang him myself I had been so great a sufferer by him.

Chanc:—To the business Cap<sup>t</sup> Fendall have you anything else to say?

Fend<sup>l</sup>—If I could see M<sup>r</sup> Dents evidence which himself could not well remember it contains a great deal and I desire it may be repeated.

Court—M<sup>r</sup> Dent read it again.

Dent—Reads it again

Just. Tailler—Now you remember it Cap Fendall?

Fend<sup>l</sup>—Yes S<sup>r</sup> I do so, the main matter against me therein I humbly conceive wherewith he taxes me is for saying that if my Lord and four or five men were made sure that then &c<sup>a</sup> and so stopps I desire to know what may be the penalty of such words if they had really been spoken.

Chanc:—You shall know in due time, the words being proved.

Fend<sup>l</sup>—Gentlemen of the Jury I desire you to observe here is but one Evidence and the time not named.

Att: Gen<sup>l</sup>—The words spoken are sufficiently proved neither is my Lord obliged to a day.

Fend<sup>l</sup>—But I conceive the tyme ought to be ascertained for this Reason possibly at the same tyme when the Evidence alledges the Words were spoken I may then prove myself to be in another place.