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December the 16th 1669

The Council approves of the abovesaid Thomas Salmon to be Clerk of Baltimore County until further Order
John Blomfield Clk Council

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Upon information Given by Daniel Ienifer Gent unto William Calvert Esq^r one of his Lordships Privy Council that James Clifton of Virginia Gent being within this Province (to witt) the second day of this instant month of January at the City of S^t Marys within this Province did Maliciously and Traiterously Utter publish and declare divers Traiterous words of Concerning and Against the Majesty and Person of our Royal Sovereign King Charles the second King of England &c^a (to wit) that the King was a Son of a Whore and owed him one thousand pounds and never paid him nor never would

Whereupon it was Commanded Iohn Keelee that he take the Body of the said James Clifton and him to bring before the said William Calvert Esq^r or some one of his Lordships Privy Council to answer the premises

Afterwards to wit the fifth day of the same month of January in the year aforesaid before Philip Calvert Esq^r & William Calvert Esq^r two of his Lordships Council came the said James Clifton in the Custody of the said Iohn Keelee and the said Daniel Ienifer likewise and the said Daniel saith that he was informed by Abraham Aldred and Walter Lane that the said James Clifton had spoken the abovesaid words against the Kings Majesty whereof he standeth accused and the said Abraham Aldred & Walter Lane appearing & being sworn upon their Oaths the s^d Abraham Aldred saith that being in Company with M^r Clifton on Sunday last among several others there was Some quarrelling but he never heard M^r Clifton speak any thing against the King of England in his life and further deposeth that he did not hear the said Clifton speak these words (viz^t) that the King was a Son of a whore and
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And the said Walter Lane upon examination saith that being in Company with M^r Clifton and several others there was some discourse Concerning Indian Kings but he did not hear the said Clifton speak any such words as the King was a Son of a Whore and owed him one thousand pounds & never paid him nor never would and that M^r Berry did then drink a health to the King but what King this deponent knoweth not and that the said Clifton did say to the said Berry that he was an unworthy Person