

P. R. O.
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have any Publique Letters to send to his sacred Majesty or the Lords of his Majestie's most honorable Privy Councill they may have a safe conveyance in their Majesties Friggots and if their Majesties Collectors have any accounts or other papers to send, they may there send them.

Gentlemen, I finde there are some persons that for the time being take care for preserving the peace, administring the Laws in their Majesties' Province of Maryland, I desire that I may receive an account of the Gentlemen's names and to what person or persons they desire I may direct my Letters for their Majesties service and you may assure yourselves I will upon all occasions give you notice of all matters that shall be for the security of their Majesties subjects and Interest.

Enclosed I send you a copy of the Report of the Lords Committee for Trade and Plantations on the Marchants' petitions and his Majestie's Order thereupon, by which it appears the Convoys were sent at the marchants' desire, I desire that you send me the names of their Majesties' Collectors in Maryland and that you order them to send me an account of all the shippes they have cleared for Europe, since the first of Ian^{ry} last

I am Gentlemen

Your loving Friend

directed,

to those that for the time being take care to execute the Laws etc in the Province of Maryland.

(Endorsed)

Captain Nichols to M^r Coode etc

Iune 6th 1690.

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Copy of Protest against Coode and his Associates.

Maryland 19 Iune 1690.

It might have reasonably been expected from Iohn Coode and others his Associates who out of a pretence of a more than ordinary Zeale for their Majesties' service and the security of the Rights and properties of the people of this Province, have overturned this the late most peaceable and quiet Government, (of the which they assumed to themselves) their most ready compliance with the least intimation they should know of his Majesty's pleasure in any case whatsoever and that they would have behaved themselves towards the good people of this province as pretended but as the Letter hath been maintained in the rifleing and pillageing of severall of the most eminent protestants Houses the imprisoning of the persons of some and sending armed men in persute of others, from place to place with warrants to ffetch them Dead