

1690. to us directed for the tryall and bringing to speedy Justice the murderers of M^r Iohn Payne your Maj^{ties} late Collector for Patuxent within this province wee the Representatives of this your Maj^{ties} said province upon the receipt of the said murderers from your Maj^{ties} Collony of Virginia sent hither and delivered up by that Governm^t Soone after appointed their tryall which accordingly was proceeded on before your Maj^{ties} Iustices thereunto assigned within this province and Sentence of death upon three of them found guilty passed yesterday in order to their being brought to speedy Justice and condigne punishment by your Maj^{ties} said Letter wee were commanded to the greate satisfaction of all your Maj^{ties} good Subjects here and the terrour of the popish and adverse party your Maj^{ties} and the Governm^{ts} Enemies from daring ever hereafter to attempt matters of the like barbarous and horrid Complexion within this your Province as wee have good cause to conceive although wee have still reason and cannott forbear to complaine to your Maj^{tie} the fountaine of our releife and redress in all our calamities of the Insolent, rude carriage and behaviour of that party their continued repeated and indefatigable paines industry and endeavour to disturb the peace and quiett of this your Maj^{ties} province particularly some of those mercenary ill affected persons here Inhabitants whom the Lord Baltimore procured to appeare against us our agents before your Majestie and Councill in England the last yeere and are since returned into this Province loaden with most notorious false pamphletts Letters and newspapers from the said Lord Baltimore and others his and their accomplices in England procured and contrived which they scatter and disperse abroad on purpose to disturb amuse and terrify your Maj^{ties} good subjects here from their due faith and allegiance they owe and Stand bound unto your Maj^{ties} and their Obedience to this your Maj^{ties} Governm^t with a prospect and more than seeming probability of being againe brought under the same Tyrannical popish arbitrary Governm^t as formerly under which wee have soe long suffered patiently without hope of redress untill it pleased heaven to open the way of conducting your most Sacred Maj^{tie} to the throne of England our native Country and sett you over us our Saviour and protector from these perrillous and Callamatus Evills which wee were Just ready to fall in and Sinke under whereby wee have beene Encouraged to fly unto your Maj^{tie} and Shelter ourselves under the shadow of your wings from the malicious attempt designe and practices of your and our Enemys who Stick not to say and vent themselves and their Venom by publicly declareing and confidently assumeing that they doubt not in a Short time but that

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