a cleering which he said he had from thence, all this to the best of P. R. O. my remembrance I can safely declare, and had I had thoughts of B. I. Vol. 2, its ever being called in question or thought on againe I should B. G. have been mindful of another passage relateing thereto but yet one Material one I cannot omit which was that one of the Honorable Councill then Iudge on the bench was pleased to say that in his opinion the Nicetyes of the Law ought not to be observed and the penall Statute upon which the information was brought, was out or words to that effect, thus Sir I have given you a true and faithful account of my knowledge and with their Majites Interest better success then to be tryed by a Maryland Iury

> I am your humble servt. Edward Chilton

To Edward Randolph Esqre Surveyor Generall of their Majries customs upon the Continent of America. Iohn Addison a New Capt Factor.

> (Endorsed) Copy of Mr Chiltons letter to Mr Randolph about Masons ship Recd 6th Sept 1692. from M Randolph.

At a Council held at the City of S^t Marys the 9th Day of Iuly Anno Domini 1692

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Present His Excellency the Governor

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Col Nehemiah Blakiston Captⁿ Iohn Courts
Col Henry Iowles
Thomas Tench Esq^r
Councilors

Produced and read a Petition presented by Major Nicholas Sewall as follows (Viz^t)

> To His Excellency Lionel Copley Esq^r Captⁿ Gen¹ and Governor in Chief in and over this their Majesties Province and Territory of Maryland and to the honourable Council

The Petition of Nicholas Sewall

In humble manner Sheweth

That Your Petitioner charged for the Murder of M^r John Payne late of this Province their Majesties Collector for Patuxent district stands recommended and referred to your Hon-