

Liber B. Susan Warren say that she would damn her Soul but that she would be revenged on Cap^t Mitchell or to that effect and further saith not.

Sworn in open Court 30 Junii 1652

p. 327 At a Court held at S^t Maries 29 Junii anno
Dni 1652

Present as the day before, Only M^r Secretary was taken off by reason he was to prosecute being his Lordps Attorney.

p. 328 The Court this day took into Consideracōn a Peticōn exhibited by Cap^t William Mitchell who intended (as it Seems) to have preferred the Same to the Assembly had it gone on.
The Peticōn being as followeth viz^t

To the Honble the Assembly for regulateing the affairs of the Province of Maryland.

The humble Peticōn of Cap^t W^m Mitchell Humbly Shewing That your Peticōner was on Saturday last comitted prisoner to the Com̄mon Goal upon a Warrant Signed by Robert Brooke Esq, In which your Peticōner Stands charged in general words with Murther Atheisme and Blasphemy, Crimes never in the least acted or within the Intention of your Peticōner

Your Peticōner therefore humbly prays he may be Speedily called to his Answer, and have his liberty restored in Case noe crime in Law be proved against him that warrants his Imprisonment upon the warrant before mencōned, And that his Natural filing for which God hath pleased to afflict and humble your Peticōner, may not be pressed against your Peticōner in Cases wherein the Laws of England are Silent, And your Peticōn^r Shall ever pray.

W^m Mitchell

Upon reading of which Peticōn the Court gave direction for a Speedy tryall whereupon his Lordps Attorney M^r Hatton brought in his Charge as followeth viz.

May it please this Honble Court.

It is fallen to my Lott upon the late alteracōn in the Government as Attorney to the Lord Propriary to be psecutor against Cap^t William Mitchell now prisoner here upon M^r Brookes Warrant, I could have wished there had been no Such occasion, The Crimes for which I am to charge him being Soe many and Soe haynous, that I have not known or heard of the like, It troubles me the rather in regard the Lord Baltemore