

c. J.² That your Petitioner had without any intention of violating either the Continental Association or Provincial Resolves, sold a few goods at a greater advance than was allowed by the Resolves of the Provincial Convention, In consequence of which the Committee of Calvert County, agreeable to the Provincial Resolution, published your Petitioner in the Maryland Gazette as an offender, by which publication your Petitioner is prevented from pursuing any method to enforce the payment of the Debts due to him. Your Petitioner in the most solemn manner declares his hearty sorrow and repentance for his transgression. And as the people of the County are fully satisfied that your Petitioner will not in word or deed transgress in future, he prays that your Honors will restore him to his former condition, so that he may pursue his business. And your Pet^r as in duty bound will pray.

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To the Hono^{ble} Provincial Convention, Annapolis.
M^r Thomas Gantt, Chairman. Thomas Williams, Clk.

In cons^equence of a recommendation from the Honora^{ble} Provincial Convention directed to the General Committ^{ee} of Observation for Prince Georges County M^r Christo^r Lowndes attended: the following Questions were ask'd him.

Quest 1st Whether the Brigg Harriott Capt. Will^m Scott Master clear'd out in May 1775 by M^r Lowndes out of this Province for Barbadoes, was seiz'd and carried to Boston by some Officer, or Officers of his Majestyes Ships of War there stationed.

Anser. She was not taken nor carried to Boston.

Quest. 2^d Whether M^r Lowndes ever receiv'd any Letter from Henry Loyd of Boston respecting the said Brigg Harriott or Cargo.

Anser. He never received any.

M^r Lowndes produced the following evidence in his defence.

Letters to M^r Lowndes from his Correspondants in Barbadoes, Dated July 1st 13th & 14th from Philip Lytcott & Comp^{ny}, were produced, from which it appears that 19 barrels of flour 2545 bushels of Corn 397 bars of iron, 20 barrels of Pork, 20 barrels of Herring, 19.865 Shingles and 2718 Staves were landed for M^r Lowndes, acco^t.

A Letter from M^r Biddle of Philadel^a was produced by M^r Tho^s Richardson of Geo: Town dated 31st July saying that Cap^t Scott was arrived at Barbadoes, and that the Bread Ship'd by M^r Richardson on board the Brigg Harriott was sold.

By the above Evidence & the deposition of John Tolson who was a Passenger on board the Brigg Harriott to & from