

c. J.² day of May last he sailed from Alexandria on Board the Brigg Harriott Captain William Scott belonging to the said Christopher Lowndes, and that he went passenger on board of her to the Island of Barbadoes, where she discharged her cargo and that to his the said Deponents knowledge she did not discharge or dispose of any part of it till she arrived in the Road of Barbadoes, and that no part of the said Cargo was put into the hands of any Officer of His Majestys Ships of War for the purpose of supplying them, or the Army under the command of General Gage.

This Deponent likewise sayeth that in Hampton Road, on their way out they were boarded by some people who said they belonged to a Vessel of War who took one of the Hands from the said Brigg, and this Deponent sayeth no more.

(Signed)

John Tolson

Sworn before Luke Marbury.

Ordered that a Copy of these Proceedings be sent to the Provincial Convention now sitting at Annapolis.

True Copy from the Records, signed by order of the Committee
Thomas Clagett, Clerk

(N^o 4)

Gent.

Richmond in Virg^a July 27. 1775.

The Convention of Delegates for this Colony now sitting, have almost unanimously, come to the inclosed Resolution for stopping the Exportation of all kinds of Provision after the 5th day of next month.

At a Time when the most secret acts are practising to furnish our enemies with the means of protracting the unhappy Dispute with the Mother Country, the necessity of adopting this measure appeared so evident that this Colony have chearfully sacraficed a very considerable part of its property by agreeing to this Resolution.

I am directed to transmit the Resolution to you as early as possible, & have no doubt but you will as chearfully come to a similar one.

I am with great Respect

Y^r Mo: ob^t S^t

Peyton Randolph

President of the Convention.

Resolved, (In Convention on Monday July 24th 1775)

That no flour, wheat or other grain, or provisions of any kind be exported from the Colony to any part of the World, from and after the fifth day of August next, until the Convention or Assembly of this Colony, or the Honorable the Conti-