

servant, and see all M^r Rousbys doores lock'd up, and that the keys might be brought on board the Ketch to him, which was done, and his Brother, and M^r Rousbys man told me, the Cap^t ordered them to lett noe body know of M^r Rousbys death

Lib. R. R. R.

Sworne 5th Novemb: 1684:
before me

W^m Dolbery

Nicholas Sewall

Michael Taney Depos: & Richard Bonds conc: Cap^t Allen &c.

Maryl^d ss:

Novemb. the 4th 1684 then by vertue and in Obedience to a precept from the hon^{ble} Coll Henry Darnall, and the hon^{ble} Maj^r Nicholas Sewall to the high sheriff of Calvert County or his Dep^{ty} directed, wee whose names are here under written with severall more persons with us went on board a Ketch lyeing in the mouth of Pottuxen River, which was related to us to be a mann of Warr Ketch belonging to the King, and the Command^{rs} name was Allen, to search for and to seize the body of George Talbott whom in the said precept was mentioned to have committed a murd^r on the body of M^r Christopher Rousby, which s^d George Talbott we found on board the said Ketch in chaines, And in the name of the R^t honble the Lord Prop^{ty} severall times wee demanded leave of the said Comānd^r to take away the said George Talbott, in ord^r to the compliance with the said precept, whereat the said Comānd^r still told us that he owned noe power on board his vessell but the Kings, and that he would not heare any thing in the name of the Lord Prop^{ty} but if wee came with any thing in the name of the King he would heare it, and if we came with any other power he disowned it and if we could take away the said George Talbott by force, we might, but upon noe other tearmes would he lett him be taken off on board, but that he would carry him downe to Virginia to my Lord Effingham, in ord^r to be tryed for the ffact as he should appoint; for he owned noe other power in these parts but his, we afterwards asked the said Command^r whither he would read the power that we came there by, or whither he would give us leave to read it openly in his Cabin, he told us he would not suffer any thing to be read there in the name of the Lord Baltemore, but gave consent that Nehemiah Blackiston might read it to himself, and withall told us severall times that it was a bold attempt of us to come in any such way aboard the Kings shipp to make such a demand, and soe likewise said Nehemiah

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