Lib. R. R. R. Maryld ss:

James Bodkin of St Maries County in the st Province gentl aged twenty yeares or thereabouts being sworn and examined deposeth and saith as followeth, that about a moneth since or neere about that time, he this Dept being in Company with Capt Allen Command of the Kings Ketch, at the City of St Maries, to the best of his remembrance he heard the said Capt Allen discourse touching his Lsp the Rt honble the Lord Propry his Charter and Governmt and that amongst other thinges he heard the sd Capt Allen say that Coll Talbott, or that Talbott up the Bay should or would Suffer for what he had done in the building a ffort up the Bay, and that Penn would recover the land again or much to that effect; And further saith that he heard the said Cap Allen vse many other discourses and words spoken in a huffing manner which this Dept cannot now well remember, but the substance of them was to the best of this Depts remembrance, that he the said Capt Allen cared not for his Lsp or Governmt as to be commanded by them, but that he would seize shipps if there were any there, and carry them away in despight of any person, but as to his Lsps person he should respect him as a gentl and otherwise he had nothing to doe with him or the Governm' or words to this or the like effect

Jurat coram nobis Dec: 3<sup>d</sup> 1684: Thomas Tailler James Bodkin

Vincent Lowe

Ordered that a Lett, be writt to his Lsp giveing him an Accot of the late unhappy murder of Mr Rousby and the proceedings of this Governmt thereon, pticularly to recount unto his Lsp the comportmt of Captn Allen & to send him coppyes of all Depositions thereto relateing and of the Lettr sent into Virginia & my Lord Effinghams answer, notifyeing to his Lsp that the Depositions of Bodkin, Gayskill, Jones, Mitchell, and one of Dolberrys has relation onely to matters before the murder was committed

## Council's Letter to L<sup>d</sup> Prop<sup>ry</sup>

May it please

your L<sup>sp</sup>: The sad news of the late horrid murder committed by Coll Talbott on the body of Mr Christopher Rousby on the last day of October last past, may possibly arrive with your Lsp: before an oportunity could present to us of shewing our duty in that pticular, neither indeed cann we now give your Lsp any other accompt thereof then what wee recd: from Capt Allen Com-