

Madam Talbott saying she had a mind to eate some Oysters Lib. R. R. R.
out of a pitt there hard by which she had formerly tasted off, p. 186
desired this Examin^t to putt ashore at the North point of Rap-
pahanock River to gett some oysters till they came back,
which was done, and on Wednesday morning about Sunn
rise he the examinant weighed to goe to the other side to
looke for his company which he thought (and soe told Mad^m
Talbott) might be drunk at the Ordinary, staying soe long as
they did, but just as the Anchor was a peake he the Dep^t
espied a Canooe comeing about the point (viz the North point
where he lay) and then he told Mad^m Talbott he saw the
Canooe coming and suddenly after he espied four of them in
the Canooe, whereof he advised Mad^m Talbott, and was
inquisitive to know how the fourth man the stranger should
gett ashore again, Mad^m Talbott then said, what? is his Couzen
come then? and thereupon came out of the Cabin, and spoke
Irish to the new hand aboard, and p^rsently replied to what the
Ex^t said, It may be he (meaneing the Stranger) will goe for
Maryland; Soe soone as the Canooe came on board they made
her fast, and the people all four of them stept into the shallop,
And he the Examinant hoisted up sayles, and came out to the
mouth of the River, and the wind haveing been out of the
way for Eight or Tenn daies, Mad^m Talbott bid him the
Examin^t beare away for the Eastern shore, w^{ch} he did, and
stood all along the shoare untill they came against Hoopers
Island; and then Mad^m Talbott told this Examin^t that they could
not sett him over to the Western shoare for feare the wind
should be out of the way, and they were willing to keepe the
Eastern shore because of the conveniency of the harbours:
Philim Murry made answer again, Mad^m! Roger has business
at the Eastern shore for some meate he said he was to have
when he came away from Pottuxen, upon which Mad^m Talbott
said, Roger since you have business here it will not be much
hinderance to you, but if your stay be any thing long for want
of a passage, I will satisfie you for the time till you gett over.
Soe mad^m Talbott, with three of her people and this Examin^t p. 187
went ashoare to M^r Hoopers, where they gott two pones of
bread, and went aboard again, leaveing behind them the
Examin^t ashoare, and immediately they made away with the
shallop out of this Examin^{ts} Sight, and he never saw them
since.

Command given to the Sheriff of S^t Maries County to take
into his custody the said Roger Skreene untill to morrow
morning, and then to have him again before this board,
together also with Richard Keene of Calvert County (if to be
found within his Bailywick) suspected also to be concerned in
or privy to the Escape of Coll Talbott.