

The humble Petition of Robert Sidebottom In most humble manner sheweth Lib. R. R. R.

That your Pet^r out of a deepe sense and hearty sorrow for his past ill lead life, as well as for the crime, whereof he hath in p^ticular been convicted before your Hono^{rs}, and for which sentence of death hath most justly been pronounced against him, calling to mind that he must also appeare before another Tribunall, where he must render a strict acco^t of all his actions in this life, and considering how altogether unprovided he is for that end, is compelled to flye to your Hono^{rs} and prostrate himself at your ffeete for mercy, an attribute as delectable to the Judge of all as Justice its self, and which his L^{sp} (whom you represent) hath taken noe small pleasure to putt in practice.)

Your Pet^r most humbly Implores your Hono^{rs} to take into your most serious consideration and compassion his most miserable, and deploreable condition, without your Hono^{rs} mercy extended towards him, thereby giving your Pet^r time and oportunity to repent and provide himself for the greate acco^t he is to make, ffaithfully to serve his Prince and to pray for your Hono^{rs} which shall unfeignedly be the use your Pet^r will make of that life your Hono^{rs} of your greate mercy shall think fitt to restore him unto. p. 189

w^{ch} petition was granted and thus Indorsed (viz:)

By the hon^{ble} the Dep^{ties} L^{ts} & Councill

Maryl^d ss:

Ordered that his L^{sp}s gracious pardon be drawne for the petitioner, in ord^r to pass the seale.

March 2^d 1684:

To the hon^{ble} Maj^r Nicholas Sewall
Chiefe Secy: of this Province or
to his Chiefe Clk

Signed by ord^r

J Llewelin Cl Consil

These.

Ordered that Proclamⁿ issue for apprehending of Coll Talbott w^{ch} accordingly issued as foll. (viz)

By the Dep^{ties} Lieveten^{ts}

Maryl^d ss:

A Proclamation

Whereas It is reported, and we have been credibly informed that Coll George Talbott haveing committed a most horrid murd^r on the body of Christopher Rousby Esq^r late of this Province, and his Maj^{ties} Collecto^r within the same, is now privately lodged, and hath sheltred himself in some part of this Province. To the end therefore that soe notorious a murderer may not wholly Escape the hands of Justice, but may be duely