

Liber R. Court called to the Clk for, but the Clerk answered that he had left it at home, upon which the Court adjourned. And this Deponent further saith that sometime before M<sup>r</sup> English was sheriffe and when he sate President of the Court. He demanded of the Clark to read the Act concerning Amerciam<sup>ts</sup> in the County Courts to shew the Clarkes Duty therein (as

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M<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Randall told me) that the said Clark by name Swithen Wells did take the booke of Lawes and threw at M<sup>r</sup> English then President and bid him looke it and read it himself. And further saith not

Sept<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1681:

M. Miller

Then came Michael Miller this Day and made oath on the holy Evangelists before us that what is here above written is the truth, the whole truth & nothing but the truth.

Jurat Coram Henry Hosier

Cornelius Comegys.

Memdū the foregoing Deposition together with the subsequent oath of Benj<sup>a</sup> Randall were first read and taken at Councill board the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of October last and should have been entred fo: 272: before the order for dismission of Swithen Wells but being misplaced were there omitted and soe come to be entred here.

October the 8<sup>th</sup> 1681:

Benjamin Randall of Kent County gentl upon oath taken on the holy Evangelists this Day in Councill saith that being at Cecil Co<sup>t</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Edward English then President of the said Court calling to the Clerk Swithen Wells, to read an Act of Assembly the said Wells tooke the booke, threw it at him and bid him looke it himself or words to that effect.

His L<sup>dsp</sup> produces and orders to be read a Letter he lately recd from M<sup>r</sup> James Stavely as foll. viz.

My Lord.

I thought good to give your Hono<sup>r</sup> Acco<sup>t</sup> of the abuses done to the good people of your County of Cæcil by the high Sheriff who have and doe behave himself proudly and maliciously in his Office, for not long since he made a complaint to his hono<sup>r</sup> the Chancelo<sup>r</sup> in the behalf of his under Sheriff against one of your L<sup>dsp</sup>s Justices M<sup>r</sup> Philip Holeager, and against M<sup>r</sup> Swithen Wells Clark of the County, and thereupon obtaines a warr<sup>t</sup> to bring them to answer at the Provinciall Court, and on the second Tuesday of this moneth was the