

saying he had hired the roome of Newton and to him had paid storage. Liber R.

M^r James ffrisby saith that he knows or cann say little or nothing of his owne knowledge but what he has heard from others these transactions of M^r English happening when he was at S^t Maries upon the Assembly, but he hath been informed the very same that now is charged to M^r English.

M^r William Peerce saith to the same effect that these things happened when he was upon the Assembly but he hath heard severall persons complain of the proud insolent carriage and behaviour of M^r English who had given generall distaste and dissatisfaction to the whole County by delaying and putting off the Courts, that the chiefe motive of his subscribing the petition was that before he returned into the County he was informed by a person liveing in the County who meeteing with M^r English enquired of him what time the Burgesses would returne to which the said English replied what knew he it might be the latter end of October. he also told the said Peerce that he beleived the people in the County would rise.

M^r Nathan^l Garratt saith that he knows little of himself but that generally the people in the County murmured and were much dissatisfied at putting off the Courts by meanes of M^r English.

Richard Adames saith that when M^r English attached the Commission^r he told them he would make them know themselves, and but the day before said in heareing of him the s^d Adames that there should be noe Court.

Whereunto M^r English haveing made his Defence and being duely heard they were dismissed and the further consideration thereof his L^{dsp} and Councill would take unto themselves.

John Thompson Clerk of Cæcill County appointed in the roome of Swithen Wells make Complaint that the said Swithen refuseth to deliver to him some of the Records of the said County being thereunto required whereupon issued the following ord^r viz. p. 291

By the Lord Prop^{ry} and Councill

Mary^{ld} ss:

Whereas Swithen Wells late Clark of Cecil County by an order from the hon^{ble} the Secry of this Province being peremptorily required to deliver unto John Thompson now Clark of the said County all and singular the Records Papers Transcripts and Minu^{ts} of and belonging to the s^d County Court, hath notwithstanding the s^d ord^r and in contempt thereunto obstinately refused to deliver some of the said Records and Papers aforesaid.

Ordered therefore that William Peerce and James ffrisby of Cecil County gentl and Comission^{rs} of the said County Court