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Letter of the Twenty third of Aprill and likewise one from Cap^t Daniell of the 26th after, which letter his Ex^{ncy} does say he Recd before Cap^t Crows last Lett^r came to hand: as also is pleased to Signify that according to the List of the Ships sent, they were all Arrived except John Munder, the Reynea design'd for Potomock but Returned for England, John Garthwayt taken, as p advice, James Mitchell the William and ffrancis gone for Barbados.

His Ex^{ncy} is pleased to propose to the Gentlemen of the Council that they would give their Sentiments touching the ffleets Sayling, whether it be possible the Maj^r part of them can be ready by the last of the Month pursuant to the Comandores notice given to his Ex^{ncy} of his intent of Sayling by that time, they make Answer that if the Ma^{rs} of the Ships have any thing to say they desire they may appeare Vpon which his Ex^{ncy} gave Comānd that the said Masters attending according to Order might come and Accordingly appeared severall Masters who presented the following Peticon, Viz^t

To his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r

The humble Peticon of the Comānders of the Merchants Ships now trading and lying at Anchor in the Ports of their Ma^{ts} Province of Maryland

Humbly Sheweth unto your Ex^{ncy}

That yo^r Pet^{rs} haveing been hindered by severall Impedim^{ts} (as first the bad season for Making and Raising Tob: 2^{dly} the excess of Rain and ill weather occasioning great Trouble in rolling of the same when got ready Received, 3^{dly} the want of Sloopes) for the said and several other Reasons cannot possibly be ready to Saile for England within the time appointed by the Commandore.

Yo^r Pet^{rs} do therefore humbly pray your Ex^{ncy} that our time of stay for the dispatch of our necessary Business (for the Intrest as well of the Ma^{rs} as our Owners) may be lengthened untill the last day of June that at which time wee do all Sincerely promise to be all ready loaden or unloaden at Kiquotan to set Sayle under Convoy of Cap^t Crowe the Comandore aforesaid.

And as in duty bound shall pray &^{ca}

Hump^r Pellen
Jn^o Gallon
W^m Lurling
Tho. Emmes
Tho: Worthington
Tho. Hayes

Tho. Jones
Jonat Scarth
Hen. Munday
Sam^{ll} Phillips Jun^r
Daniell Watts
Barth^o Watts