

Lib. H. D. the importation of it hither for the Colledges Account and sending back the produce thereof, Wee are

Gent<sup>l</sup> Yo<sup>r</sup> affectionate ffrriends & Servants

Custom house Lond<sup>o</sup>

24<sup>th</sup> Aprill 1694

Directed thus

ffor the Rector & Governo<sup>r</sup> of  
the Colledge of William & Mary  
Virginia.

Jo: Werden

Robert Southwell

C Godolphin

Robert Clayton

P Ward

Read two other Letters from the said Commission<sup>rs</sup> both directed to his Ex<sup>ncie</sup> Governo<sup>r</sup> Nicholson, the one of the 23<sup>th</sup> of febr<sup>ry</sup> 1692 and the other of the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 1693, both Ordered to be Entered and are as follows, Viz<sup>t</sup>

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Commis-  
sion<sup>rs</sup> of the  
Custom  
house's  
Letter to  
his Ex<sup>ncy</sup>  
touching  
Capt Meech

Wee have before Us the Case of Thomas Meech touching his late transgression by trading between Virginia & Scotland with forged and counterfieted Certificates which by your great care & Zeal for the publick Service were timely discovered and transmittted to Vs, But because the said Meech has not only made a free and open confession of his fault but given you some Information of frauds Acted & done by others in Virginia, which at your safe Arrivall there (wherein our good Wishes attend you) Wee are assured will by your prudent Managem<sup>t</sup> be improved for their Ma<sup>ts</sup> advantage, and is now personally Engaged in discovering and bringing to punishm<sup>t</sup> here in England some Notorious Offenders as well ships & Vessells as their Imployers which is partly known to you; Wee have thought fit to make a Tryall of him in this Affair for some time and do desire you to Respit the prosecution of the Bonds against him & his Sureties in Virginia vntill you shall heare farther from Vs concerning him. And as for any other Bonds taken in pursuance of the Act of Navigation Wee desire you to have a particular Reguard therevnto, causing a  
p. 47 Vigorous prosecution of them which are become forfeited; And that no Bond be delivered vp to be Cancelled, but by very good Certificates from England vnder our hands that the Condition thereof has been really fulfilled.

Whereas M<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah Blakiston one of the Collectors in Maryland is indebted to their Ma<sup>ts</sup> vpon his Account in a very considerable Sume and is otherwise suspected to be guilty of indirect practices in his Office Wee are obliged for their Ma<sup>ts</sup> Service to give you a farther trouble desiring you at your first going to Maryland to Call the said Blakiston to Account, And