

tending to the great disturbance of the peace & quiet of his Ma^{ts} good people here, I have (for prevention of the same as near as may be for the future) thought fit (by & with the advice of his Ma^{ts} hono^{ble} Councill & at the Speciall instance & request of the Worshipfull the house of Burgesses in Assembly now sitting) to publish & declare, And I do hereby accordingly publish, proclame & declare that any person or persons hereafter coming from those parts of Carolina or Pensilvania aforementioned, and are or shall be discovered to intice away or Encourage his Ma^{ts} Liege people & inhabitants of this province to remove hence by or through means of the Specious large Character by them given of those parts from whence they come, such persons shall be lyable (vpon complaint of the same made & proved before a Justice of the peace) to be committed to prison & answer the Law as a Common disturber of the peace or divulger of false News &c^a And any person or persons bringing an evill Report vpon the Country by maliciously & falsely spreading abroad a noise of great Taxes &c^a shall in like manner vpon due proof of the same made as afores^d be lyable to be committed & prosecuted as afores^d And I do hereby further publish & declare that this proclamation is not any wayes intended to debarr or hinder any person or persons whatsoever from removing out of the Province themselves or families to any Port or place they shall best like or fancy; it is notwithstanding hereby advized that all such persons do well consider what they are going about least they come to be sorry for their change when it may prove too late; And to the end all persons may have due notice hereof, I do hereby strictly Charge & Command the severall Sherriffs of the province to make proclamation hereof in all publick places & Meetings within their respective Counties, to which all persons are to yield due & ready obedience as they & every of them will answer the contrary at their perill; Given at the Port of Annapolis vnder the Broad Seal of the province this 18th day of October in the 7th year of his Ma^{ts} Reign &c^a Annoq Domini 1695

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ffr. Nicholson

October the 19th 1695

The Councill again Sate & were all present except
Coll Addison

Clk of Cha: Came Cleybourn Lomax Clerk of Charles
Co: Court makes Oath to List of fines &c^a County Court & made Oath to the ffines passed in
that County Court to this day.