

Lib. H. D. Will^m Burley no otherway's guilty thereof then by being p^rsent at the time th^t the s^d ffact was committed by the s^d Woodcock We have thought fit as by these p^rsents we doe of our meer motion and Special Grace acquit release and pardon them the s^d George Mason and W^m Burley of and from the condemnation and murther afores^d and off and ffrom all paines penalties convictions attainders corruptions of blood fforfeitures & confiscacōns that may any wayes be inflicted upon them, or they any wayes lyable to for or by reason of the s^d murther, or their conviction and condemnation thereof hereby restoring them to the ffree benefitt of the Law, and Granting that they shall be accepted deemed and reputed in all our Courts of Justice and else where as capable to all intents and purposes as if the s^d ffact had never been committed, nor they ever convicted thereof.

At a Councill held at the Port of Annapolis, the 27th day of febr^y (being thursday) in the Eighth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the third &c^a Annoq Domini 1695/6

Present

Whitehall

His Ex^{ncy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t Gen^{ll} &c^a

The hono^{ble} { Coll Nicholas Greenberry }
 { Coll John Addison }
 { James ffrisby Esq^r }

Persons
 Naturalized
 sworn & sub-
 scribe to
 the Test. Came Daniell Danielson Nicholas dela Montague,
 Harmen Vanboekele Hendrick Sluyter & Jacob
 Sluyter (persons naturalized by a late Act of Assem-
 bly) and severally tooke the Oaths appointed by
 Act of Parliam^t to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance
 & Supremacy and also subscribed to the Test.

Whitehall Clk of the In-
 dictm^{ts} of A: Came M^r Henry Bonner Clerk of the Indictm^{ts} of
 A: Co: Court Ann Arrundell County Court & was sworn accord-
 sworn ingly.

Produced & Read a Letter from M^r John Llewelin to his
 Excell sent & directed, Dated the 4th day of febr^y instant,
 therein excusing his non appearance here, pursuant to his
 Ex^{ncies} Ord^{rs} to make vp the Councill proceedings of his time,
 p. 262 desiring that he might be permitted to carry the papers and
 Minutes down to his own house in S^t Maries County to pre-
 vent the great Charge which would otherwise vnavoidably
 Accrue to him, the which being maturely considered it is
 thought altogether inconvenient & vnfit that his Request be