

Lib. H. D. Maryland.

Answer to the s<sup>d</sup> Letter, Viz<sup>t</sup>

Maryland, Port Annapolis April 17<sup>th</sup> 96.

His Excell<sup>s</sup> S<sup>r</sup>  
 Letter to the  
 Govern<sup>r</sup> of  
 New York

M<sup>r</sup> Smith of Rode Island gave me your Excell<sup>s</sup> Letter of March the 28<sup>th</sup> and the Answer of your other of the 9<sup>th</sup> of ffeb<sup>ry</sup> had been despatched sooner but that I was in dayly hopes of the arrivall of our London fleet, so that I might have sent your Excell some good News from England; but the last I have from Plymouth I send by Perry; and all my Letters (thank God) bring the good Account that his Majesty & the parliment Agree very well, and that they will comply with all his Ma<sup>ties</sup> Demands. I am very sorry that the fforces which are lately come over vndergo any hardships and especially that they have but 8<sup>d</sup> New York Money p diem, and I shall be glad to be any ways assisting to you, being a Wellwisher to Soldiers. And if all his Majesties Govern<sup>rs</sup> vpon the Continent will give the Tithe of their Annuall Incomes towards bettering their condition, for my part, I shall most readily doe it. In the interim shall not now be wanting in my duty to Represent that Affair to our Assembly as it hath formerly been done by him who is

Yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncies</sup> most humble

Servant

ffr: Nicholson

Govern<sup>r</sup> New York.

At a Council held at the Port of Annapolis, the 29<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill, in the Eighth year of the Reign of our Sovereigne Lord King William the third &<sup>ca</sup> Annoq. Domini 1696

Present

His Excellency ffrancis Nicholson Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>ll</sup> &<sup>ca</sup>

The Hono <sup>ble</sup>	Coll George Robotham	}
	Coll Charles Hutchins	
	Coll David Brown	

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Came M<sup>r</sup> Hall priest at S<sup>t</sup> Inegoes in S<sup>t</sup> Maries County, and appeared here in Councill, pursuant to Summons, who being asked by what Authority be joyned together in the holy State of Matrimony M<sup>r</sup> William Bladen & M<sup>rs</sup> Ann Vansweringhen of the s<sup>d</sup> County, who producing a Lycense for the same from vnder the hand & Seal of M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Davies, Minister of William & Mary parish in the County afores<sup>d</sup> And the Act of Assembly of this province for