

Lib. H. D. of Potomock River in the Law mentioned as seems to have been intimated to your Ex^{ncy} and is affirmed to Us.

If so We cannot discern the Owner or Exporter to be a willfull Offender; being rather mislead by the Officer, whose principle business it was to direct and demand of him than by any willfull designs or intent in him to frustrate the Law, therefore with your Excell good pleasure We conceive his present paym^t of the Duty will & may be sufficient satisfaction to the s^d Law &c^a

May the 12th 1696

Whitehall The Councill again Sate & were p^rsent as yesterday.

John Salter & Tho: Brough ordered to be summoned Upon Representation, Ordered that the Sheriff of Talbot County summons John Salter & Thomas Brough, that all Excuses set apart, they be & appear before his Excell in Council, at the port of Annapolis the first day of July next to Answer; And that John Salter bring with him the Agreem^t by him Enter'd into about Talbot County Court house.

Clerks of the Co: Courts to Return perfecter Lists of the Co: Leavyes Whereas the Clerk of each respective County Court having (pursuant to Ord^r) returned a List of their last County Leavy; but on pervsall of the same, finding severall Articles therein not mentioning the Reason of such Allowances made;

Ordered therefore that they Return a second List giving the Reason of every particular Article therein so charged and Allowed, vnto his Excell at the Port of Annapolis by the first day of July next.

May the 12th 1696.

The said Report being Read was ordered to be indorsed thus, Viz^t By his Ex^{ncy} the Govern^r & Councill, &c^a

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The within Report is Approved off & Ordered thereupon as it is hereby Ordered that the s^d Cap^t Cheshire paying or securing to be paid unto the Navall Officer of the Port of Williamstadt the Ten p Cent Duty for what goods were transported to Virginia in M^r Broadbents Sloop within mentioned, that the said Sloop be thereon dismissed from vnder Seizure.

Signed p Ord^r

Hen: Denton C of Concl.