

Councill &c^{ca} bearing date the 10th of July last, We the Sub-
scribers have this day inquired into the matter, and have call'd
diverse persons before Us and upon their Oaths made exam-
ination do find there was in that inlet, a deckt Sloop, which
without Entry or clearing did lade and Carry away Sixteen
Barrells of Pork; whereupon We have appointed M^r Thomas
Poynter Dep^{ty} Collecto^r & Dep^{ty} Nav^{ll} Offic^r of the Sea Board
Side, untill his Ex^{ncys} pleasure be further known, all w^{ch} was
done this 24th day of July Anno 1696.

Lib. H. D.
Whitehall

Yo^r humble & obedient Serv^{ts}
David Browne
George Layfield
Rob^t King

Septem. the 18th 1696.

The Councill again Sate and were p^rsent,

His Ex^{ncy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq Cap^t Gen^{ll} &c:
S^r Thomas Laurence Barron^t Secry^t } Coll: David Browne
Coll: Geo: Robotham } Coll: John Addison,
Coll: Nich^o Greenberry } Thomas Brooke Esq }
Coll: Charles Hutchins } James ffrisby Esq }

Cap^t Rich^d Brightwell's Return abt his ranging Read a Return of Cap^t Richard Brightwell Com-
mander of the Party of Rangers in Potomock, as follows, Viz^t

Pursuant to his Ex^{ncys} Ord^r Dated March the Third
1695/6 Relating to Severall circumstances as in Yo^r Ord^r is
Expressed, I do hereby humbly Represent to yo^r Ex^{ncy} that I
and my Men have ffaithfully and duly complied with yo^r
Ex^{ncys} Ord^r in all points & cannot find in all my Range any
thing worthy observation, this is what is humbly Offered by

Yo^r Ex^{ncys}
Most Obedient humble
Serv^t Rich^d Brightwell

Ord^r abt a more partic- ular Accot of his Ranging and that he Signifye how farr they
of Ranging Range, what Roads they make & what sort of land
it is & such like.

Severall Sheriffs sum- moned abt Suprnumer- ary Tythables &cca Vpon Reading over the Supernumerary Tytha-
bles sworne to pursuant to a fformer Ord^r from this
Board, and it being found that due compliance had
not been made therein by these following persons
Viz^t M^r John Cood late Sherriffe of S^t Maries
County, Coll: John Thomas late Sherriffe of Baltemore County,