

Lib. H. D. Whitehall Mr John Carvile late Sherriffe of Cæcill County and Mr Ephraim Wilson late Sherriffe of Somerset County; Ordered therefore that they be Severally Summoned to Appear at the next Prov^l Court, and that Mr Attorney & Solicitor Gen^l proceed ag^t them for Contempt, and that such of them as do not appear by the s^d Summons be prosecuted for the same likewise.

Ordr abt the Sherriffs returning a List of Taxables &c^{ca} Ordered that the Sherriffs of the Severall Counties of the Province or their Dep^{ties} do take under the hand of the Master, Mistress, Dame or Overseer of every ffamily house or Plantation within their respective precincts an Acco^t in writing of all the Tythable persons there Residing at the Same time they Usually go ab^t to Collect the Leavys and that where there happens any dispute ab^t the Age of any p^rsons that in such Case a Return be made by the Sherriffs, of the Names of such persons unto the Justices of the County Courts in Ord^r to be adjudged, that the said Sherriffs doe not faile to return the Severall aforementioned Acc^{ts} (by them so to be taken) unto his Ex^{ncy} at the port of Annapolis with all Convenient Speed.

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Ordr abt the Appraisem^{ts} of Seized Ships & Vessells Upon Representacōn, Ordered that no ship that for the future is Seized be Appraised but lye under Seizure till tryed, it being found that such Appraisem^{ts} are usually under made and the Goods &c^{ca} Undervalued, as appears by a late Appraisem^t made of Cap^t Elys Ship and Goods, particularly a Copper ffurnace, Valued at one pound, but is really worth 10: or 12^{lbs} sterl.

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Munday Septemb. the 21th 1696.

The Councill again Sate and were p^rsent as on Saturday.

Order for Mr Attorney & Sollicitor Gen^{ls} Opin^{ion} abt Ships coming from one port to another. Upon Representacōn, Ordered that Mr Attorney and Sollicitor Gen^l return their opinion unto this Board what remedy is to be had against those persons that come out of one District, and Ship Tobacco & ffurs &c^{ca} on Board Ships Riding in another District, before they have Certified the same before the Officer where such Ship Rides.

They Report thereon as follows, Viz^t.

Mr Attorney & Sollicitor Gen^{ls} Opin^{ion} abt Ships coming from one District to another. May it please yo^r Ex^{ncy}. In Obedience to yo^r Ex^{ncy}'s Commands We have p^rused yo^r Ex^{ncy}'s Ord^r of Reference and do humbly Report, That a Certificate had from an Officer of another District that the duty of ffurs imposed by an Act of Assembly being there Answered & paid is a sufficient discharge for so much mentioned in that Certificate, and

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