by God it was all lyes for that the Divell never was in Woman Lib. H. D. and therefore could not turn any out, and further Saith not.

September the 22<sup>d</sup> 1696.

Mr Beard sworne before his Exncy in Whitehall Councill and made Oath upon the holy Evangelist that the above Deposition is true.

Hen: Denton Cl Concil.

September the 23d, 1696.

The Councill again Sate and prsent

His Exney ffrancis Nicholson Esq Capt Gen11 &cca

S' Thomas Laurence Barron' Secy' Coll: Nicholas Greenberry Coll: Charles Hutchins Coll: David Brown Thomas Brooke Esq' James ffrisby Esq'

Drawn up by Ord<sup>r</sup> the following Precept directed to the Sheriff of St. Maries County, Viz<sup>t</sup>

A Precept fforasmuch as it hath been made appear by the abt Coll: Depositions of Severall persons here taken how Coods that Mr John Cood of St. Maries County (com-Blasphemy monly called Coll Cood) hath at Sundry times and in Severall places and Company's Uttered many horrible and Blasphemous words agt the blessed Trinity and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; denying him to be the Son of God; whereby he has (as ffar as in him lyes) bid defiance to the Christian Religion; And whereas it is to be doubted (that having had liberall Education) he may have set his wits to p. 397 worke to defend such his Blasphemous Expressions by writing or having such sort of Booke or pamphlets, which may prove of more dangerous consequence to those persons, in whose hands such writings may chance to Come; and more especially taking into consideration his Mats late Commands to the Rt Reverend the Bishops for them to give their strict Ordrs and directions that no disputacons be suffered or Books or w. pamphlets writ about the doctrine of the Trinity or the like; Ordered thereupon that the Sheriff of St Maries County doe upon sight hereof goe to the house of the sd Mr Cood and there make search for all Books, pamphlets, writings and papers and (upon refusall of showing thereof) that he break open any

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