

Lib. H. D. beyed a late Ord<sup>r</sup> of Councill Commanding the Justices of each respective County to give their directions to the Constables of the severall hundreds for the taking a New List of Taxables. The s<sup>d</sup> Bradley says th<sup>t</sup> he was not any ways knowing thereof nor ever heard the s<sup>d</sup> Ord<sup>r</sup> Read. The s<sup>d</sup> Robert Tyler says that M<sup>r</sup> Holiday the Cheif Justice acquainted the Court that there was an Ord<sup>r</sup> of the Gov<sup>r</sup> and Councill for taking a New list of Taxables but he Aded that the Lists had been taken already pursuant to the directions of the Law and thereupon Ordered the Clerk for to Enter an Ord<sup>r</sup> that no such ord<sup>r</sup> of their Co<sup>t</sup> should issue; Whereupon M<sup>r</sup> Cooper did Enter such an Ord<sup>r</sup> without any Debate or Consent of the rest of the Comm<sup>rs</sup>—They are Ordered to withdraw and after some consultation thereon had, being called in again, they are told that this being the first fault and considering the Originall Cause of disobeying that Ord<sup>r</sup> proceeded from the s<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Holliday, they were dismissed with a Caution to have a Care how they Offended in the like Nature again.

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Came and appeared M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Holiday, M<sup>r</sup> William Barton M<sup>r</sup> David Small & M<sup>r</sup> John White ffour more of the Comm<sup>rs</sup> of Prince Georges County pursuant to summons—They are asked the Reason why they disobeyed a late Ord<sup>r</sup> of his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> relating to the constables taking a New list of Taxables who for answer say th<sup>t</sup> they find they have been in an Error, for w<sup>ch</sup> they are very Sorry & do humbly beg pardon; and in particular M<sup>r</sup> Holliday does say that he understanding that he was Represented the only refractory person in causing the s<sup>d</sup> Ord<sup>r</sup> of his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> to be disobeyed, but does averr that all the rest of the Justices which were then upon the Bench did Assent and give their Opinion in the matter as well as himself w<sup>ch</sup> he says the rest of the Justices now p<sup>r</sup>sent can affirm, who doe affirm the same to be true. They are Ordered to withdraw and the matter being consulted they are called in again and are told, that having taken into consideration their Submission and acknowledgm<sup>t</sup> of their fault they are Excused for this time (not for that there are a great many Offenders) but with this Caution that they have a Care how they Offend in the like nature again. M<sup>r</sup> Hutchinson the other Comm<sup>rs</sup> not appearing to make his Excuse is Ordered to be dismissed from the Authority of a Justice of peace and he is hereby accordingly dismissed; but this Board not being willing to put the County to the charge of a new Commission, doe Ord<sup>r</sup> the other seaven to Officiate at p<sup>r</sup>sent by the old Commission.