

Govern^r of Virg^a We are
Custom House Lond^o

S^r Yo^r very humble Serv^{ts}

9 July 1696.

Eliz^a of Glasco Rob^t Sinclear Mast^r burth
120^{Ton} Sq: Sterne Barbary of Glasco Hugh
Scott Dutch built burth 120^{Ton} Rob^t
of Iruin burth 140^{Ton} Square Sterne
Gov^r Maryland.

Ben: Overton
Rob^t Clayton
C Godolphin
Walter Younge

Having Received Satisfaction Concerning the Ship or Ves-
sell called the Charles of Topsham Burthen 160
(Locus Sigilli) Ton or thereabouts fforreign Built not made free
whereof George Bass is Master particularly That She doth
belong to Merch^{ts} in Exon, Their Ma^{ts} English
Capt Bass Cer- Born Subjects, You are to Suffer the s^d Ship or
tificate abt the Ship Charles of Vessell (the master and three ffourths of the
Topsham. Marriners at least being also English) to Load
Tob^o at Virg^a or Maryland and to proceed therewith to some
Port of England Wales or Berwick, The said Ship being to
pay noe other or greater Duties for such Tobacco as she shall
there load than an English built Ship.

Custom House Lond^o.

31th of July 1692.

Duplicate

To the Comand^{ts} of their Ma^{ts} Ships
of Warr on the Coasts of Virg^a & Mary-
land & to the Offic^{rs} of their Ma^{ts} Customs
there or Else where whom this may Concern.

G. Boothe
Rob^t Clayton
Jo: Werden
P. Ward

Richd Bass's Certificate for the Ship Charles

(locus Sigilli)

Richd Score D Cust. & Coll^r

These are to Certifye all whom it doth Concern; p. 37
That security is given to the Cheif Officers of his
Ma^{ts} Customs in the Port of Exon concerning the
Ship or Vessell called the Charles of Exon
Burthen one hundred and Sixty Tons or there-
abouts, whereof Richard Bass is master, mounted
with ffour Guns, Navigated with Eighteen men
fforreign built not made free and Bound for
Virg^a an English Plantacon in America with Severall Goods,
Wares, or Merchandize with Condition that if the s^d Ship or
Vessell shall load any Sugar, Tobacco, Cotton, wool, Indico,
Ginger, ffustick, or other Dying Wood, of the Growth Pro-
duction or manufacture of any English Plantacon in America,
Asia, or Affrica; the same Comodities, shall be by
(locus Sigilli) the s^d Ship or Vessell brought to some Port of
England Wales, or to the Port or Town of Berwick Upon