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Mr Mason & Mr Watkins make Oath to their Accous of ffurrs &c.

Came Mr Robt Mason Treasurer for the Western Lib. H. D. Shore and Mr Sam¹¹ Watkins Nav¹¹ Officer of Petuxant District and made Oath to the Accots of ffurrs and Skins.

Vide Accots Enter'd at the other end of this Book. ffo. 108 & 109

Henry Denton

makes Oath to

his Accot of

Henry Denton Navall Officer for the Port of Annapolis made Oath likewise to an Accot of the ffurrs & Skins. Duties by him Collected on ffurs and Skins.

Vide Accet at the other endffo: 110.

Req Bonde Lra Read part of a Letter by his Ex^{ney} recd; from to his Excy the honrble Councill in Barbadoes dated the 28th of Read & part thereof Aprill last past Relating to the News in those Order'd to be parts &ca Ordered that the Same be Coppied Copyed out & sent to the out and Sent to the respective Counties of the severall Counties to be Province to be made Publick; weh followes in published. these words Vizt Vpon the 17th Instant Admil Nevill with 20: odd of his Mats Ships of Warr and ffire Ships Arrived here and this day set Sail in quest of the ffrench Squadron under the Comand of Mons' Pontie whom we hope they will over take and destroy they toucht not at any of these Islands but went directly to Petty Guavers having Some Design upon Hispaniola or the Spanish Galloones. I think it necessary to acquaint you that by an Ord from Whitehall the men of Warr are forbidden to Press and the Power is now lodged in myself and Councill, which shall be improved, for the Encouragemt and Content of the Traders.

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The ffield Officrs of Cæcill Co: Appointed

Ordered that (upon the Death of Coll: Herman) L' Coll: Peirce be Constituted Coll: in his Stead Majr John Thompson Lt Colonell and the eldest Capt Majr of the sd County.

Ordr to the Sffes to Ret Lists of the Supernumerary Tythables &c2 and for the Clks of the Co. Courts to make out Lists of the ffines.

Ordered that the Sherriffs Omitt not to take an Exact Account of what Supernumerary Tythables they have mett with or can find during their Shrivallty and that they make a list thereof which they are to Swear to before the Justices of their respective Counties (according as has been done by the former Sherriffs) and so transmit the Same unto his Exncy at the Port of Annapolis by or before the ffirst day of the next prov¹¹ Court at ffarthest in