

Lib. H. D. Clearing And if so to prosecute the Same on the forfeiture  
 P. 40 thereof, otherwise it must rest as a Charge upon M<sup>r</sup> Plater the  
 Collecto<sup>r</sup> there for Suffering her to Lade without Security in  
 which Case We desire you to take his Answer in writing and  
 Transmit the Same to Us, with your Opinion We are  
 Custom House London S<sup>r</sup> Yo<sup>r</sup> very humble Servants  
 15 October 1696. Walter Yonge  
 Rob<sup>t</sup> Southwell  
 Ja: Chadwicke  
 Ben: Overton

Gov<sup>r</sup> of Maryland.

Com<sup>rs</sup> of the S<sup>r</sup>  
 Customs Lre  
 to his Ex<sup>cy</sup>  
 ab<sup>t</sup> two  
 Vessells May  
 flower & James  
 &ca  
 Having Notice from our Agent in Scotland  
 That a Briganteen called the May flower Burthen  
 ab<sup>t</sup> 50 tons James Scott Master lately arrived  
 there with Tobacco and Cotton from Maryland  
 And that a Vessell called the James Burthen about 170  
 Tons John Kyte Master was ready to Sail from thence to  
 Maryland—We desire you will please to Enquire how and  
 by what means the s<sup>d</sup> Briganteen Came to Clear And what  
 Security was taken for her going to some Port of England  
 Causing the Bond (if any) to be Vigorously prosecuted of  
 which in due time we shall expect an Acco<sup>t</sup> from you.

And we likewise desire you to Cause the other Vessell to  
 be seized and prosecuted with the prohibited Goods on Board  
 at her Arrivall in Maryland We are

Custom House London S<sup>r</sup> Yo<sup>r</sup> very humble Servants  
 31 October 1696. Sam: Clarke  
 Rob<sup>t</sup> Clayton  
 Rob<sup>t</sup> Southwell  
 Ben: Overton

Gov<sup>r</sup> Maryland

An Acco<sup>t</sup> of the Arms &<sup>ca</sup> brought in and in Good Ord<sup>r</sup>  
 lodged at the House of Maj<sup>r</sup> Dorsey within the Port of  
 Annapolis, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September Anno Domini 1696.

Viz<sup>t</sup>

Armes lodged Six brass Trumpets—20: Dragoon Sadles &  
 at Maj<sup>r</sup> bridles with Caps for the Carabines—Six Dragoon  
 Dorseys Drums & Sticks & 12: pair of heads and 3: sets of  
 House &ca Snares—200 Pistolls with Round locks, Varnisht Stock and  
 brass Caps—Six brass powder Tryars and 2 fflags; 1 great &  
 the other Small—100 Carabines with round locks & Varnisht  
 Stocks 100 Carabine belts and swivells—80: Byonets & 80  
 white belts 80: Cartouch boxes & 80 black belts—20: Granado  
 punches—25: Pick Axes—25 Mattocks—50 set of wheele