

on Lyquors imported into this Province, the Vestry of each Lib. H. D. respective Parish therein have the Benefit of one full Moiety of all fforfietures upon Liquors &<sup>ca</sup> imported and Landed contrary to the Ten<sup>r</sup> of the s<sup>d</sup> Act. Ordered therefore that they Severally take Care to see the s<sup>d</sup> Law put in due Execution by Seizing and Causing to be Seized all unaccustomed Lyquors coming within any of their p<sup>r</sup>cincts, for which (upon Suspicion they are to make diligent Search according to the Laws of England and of this Province and upon Seizure they are to make due Information to his Ma<sup>ty</sup> Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup> of the Same, in Ord<sup>r</sup> for prosecution whereof, they are in no wise to faile at their Utmost perill and the Sherriffs are hereby Ordered to give Copy of this to the Vestry of each Parish within his Bayliwick.

Signed p Ord<sup>r</sup> Hen: Denton Cl Concil.

At a Councill by Speciall Appointm<sup>t</sup> met and held at the Port of Annapolis the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July Anno 1697.

Present

His Ex<sup>ncy</sup> ffrancis Nicholson Govern<sup>r</sup> in Chief &<sup>ca</sup>

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S<sup>r</sup> Thomas Laurence Baron<sup>t</sup> Secry<sup>r</sup> }  
Coll: Henry Jowles }

Notice was by Ord<sup>r</sup> given to the Sherriff to Sumons what members of his Ma<sup>ty</sup> hon<sup>tbl</sup>e Councill lived nigh to this place for to meet his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> in Councill here this day, who Came and sayes that pursuant thereto, he had Sumon'd his Hon<sup>r</sup> Coll: Greenberry as well as the Gent p<sup>r</sup>sent, but that his hon<sup>r</sup> lay at Some Restraint so that he could not possibly attend.

Produced a Return of the Comm<sup>rs</sup> of Somerset County Court in Answ<sup>t</sup> to an Ord<sup>r</sup> from this Board, concerning Maj<sup>r</sup> Whittington high Sherriff of Somerset County upon a Complaint made against him by M<sup>r</sup> George Layfield and M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Dixon about some misfeasance in his Office &<sup>ca</sup> and for presenting two persons to his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> for his Choice whom to make Sherriff &<sup>ca</sup> which was Read as followes.

May it please your Ex<sup>ncy</sup>

In Obedience to an Order of yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncy</sup> and Councill bearing date the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June Anno: Domini 1697: We the Subscribers have this day to Witt the Second day of July in the year afores<sup>d</sup> According to yo<sup>r</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Order have Mett and Considered the Same, and doe p<sup>r</sup>sent to yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>ncys</sup> Choice M<sup>r</sup> John