

of the Quota appointed by her late Ma^{ty} of Blessed memory for the Defence of the ffrontiers of New York; which Regulation having been very unequally comply'd with (and by Maryland but in Some Small measure) his Ma^{ty} does Expect that all th^t are comprehended therein should punctually contribute their respective proportions either in Men or Money, from time to time, as occasion asks; Which we are accordingly obliged to require of you as others. Lib. H. D.

Some Acts past in the Generall Assembly, and other Publick papers of that Province (amongst w^{ch} is the Address relating to Collonel Copleys Estate) lye yet under Consideracōn; and you shall in due time be acquainted what is done thereupon so we bid you very heartily ffarewell.

Whitehall

ffbruary the 4th 1696/7

W^m Blathwayt
Abr Hill
John Pollexfen

Yo^r Loving ffriends

J. Bridgwater
Tankerville
Ph: Meadows

At a Councill met and held at the Port of Annapolis (according to Speciall appointm^t) the 18th day of ffeb^{ry} in the Ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the Third &^{ca}

Annoq Domini 1696/7

Present,

His Ex^{ncy} ffrancis Nicholson Esq Cap^t Gen^{ll} &^{ca}
S^r Thomas Laurence Baron^t Secy^r }
Coll: Nich^o Greenberry. }

His Ex^{ncys}
Comunicacōn
with Cap^t
Daniell abt
the inconveni-
ences of the
Masters of
Ships &^{ca}

His Ex^{ncy} is pleased to Ord^r that Cap^t Josiah Daniell Comānder of his ma^{ts} hired Ship the Prince of Orange be called in who accordingly appears. He is asked to give an Acco^t to the best of his knowledge what sort of inconveniences the Masters of Ships have Layn under here, during this winter Season and what weather it has generally been for the Saylers working whereby the masters might be Enabled to get their Loadings ready to which Cap^t Dan^{ll} makes Answer that he has kept a Journall of every days weather since his being here the which he is Ready to produce and does Say that he gave an Acco^t to the Comōdore of the great obstruction the masters have met with through the Extream severity of the Winter season and believes that if they had not met with such Extraordinary Sharpe weather they might most of them have been ready by this time.