

memoriæ &<sup>ca</sup> as to the property therof to whom of Right they ought or do belong, therefore humbly Pray that his Ma<sup>ty</sup> would graciously Please to Send in his Royall Commands thereab<sup>t</sup> & in the matter of the Escheat Office aforementioned. Lib. H. D.

February the 19<sup>th</sup> 1696/7.

Read a Letter rēcd by his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> the Govern<sup>r</sup> from Coll: Edmund Jenings his Ma<sup>ts</sup> Secy<sup>r</sup> of the Colony of Virg<sup>a</sup> Dated the 24<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>ry</sup> last past together with a Warrant inclosed Signed by his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> S<sup>r</sup> Edm<sup>d</sup> Andros Gov<sup>r</sup> of Virginia for the apprehending Coll: John Cood, prosecuted for Blasphemy and say'd to be fild from the hands of Justice into that Governm<sup>t</sup>.

Ordered that his Ex<sup>ncy</sup> S<sup>r</sup> Edmund Andros be writ to, desiring he would please to send one of the s<sup>d</sup> Warrants to Each of the County's within his Governm<sup>t</sup> with directions and Ord<sup>rs</sup> to the Sherriff that apprehend him for to deliver him up to the next Justice of the Peace in this Governm<sup>t</sup> Either on the Eastern or Western Shore, where he should be taken to the End he may be proceeded ag<sup>t</sup> according to Law and that withall it be Signified that (for his Ma<sup>ts</sup> Service) he would give Notice to all Masters of Ships within his Governm<sup>t</sup> that they p<sup>s</sup>ume not to take on Board or Carry away the s<sup>d</sup> Coll: Cood, as also to write another Letter to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Comodore for to Cause all the Ships under his Convoy to be Searcht lest he should be absconded and privately Carried away and so Escape unpunished for his Enormous Crime and his Ma<sup>ty</sup> lose the debt Claim'd from him, for which process has already issued. p. 461

The s<sup>d</sup> Letters follow in these Words, Viz<sup>t</sup>

Maryland Port of Annapolis ffeb<sup>ry</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1696.

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to S<sup>r</sup> Edm<sup>d</sup>  
Andros ab<sup>t</sup>  
Sending a  
Warr<sup>t</sup> to  
Each of the  
County's in  
his Governm<sup>t</sup>  
ab<sup>t</sup> Coll Cood.

S<sup>r</sup> This day was Read in Councill here a Letter by me Rēcd: from Coll: Jenings Dated the 24<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>ry</sup> past together with a Warrant, under yo<sup>r</sup> Ex<sup>c</sup> ys hand and Seal for apprehending Coll: John Cood, and upon Consideracōn thereon had it is thought Expedient for his Ma<sup>ts</sup> Service that you would please to send one of the s<sup>d</sup> Warrants to the Sherriff of Each County within yo<sup>r</sup> Governm<sup>t</sup> with directions and Orders to the Sherriff that apprehends him for to deliver him up to the next Justice of Peace in this Governm<sup>t</sup> Either on the Eastern or Western Shore where he shall be taken, to the End he may be proceeded against according to Law, And