

Lib. X. of Puttuxent District that Captain Robert Lurting made Oath at his last Clearing out of this Province that he exported no Furrs Yet he finds by the Return of a Certificate that he Landed Several Furrs in England.

p. 5 It is Ordered that M^r Attorney General sue the said Lurtings Securities and make such proceedings against him as the Law in such case Directs

A Letter of M^r Edward Williss from Barbadoes to his Excellency dated the 15th of August 1697 Concerning two Negroes fraudulently being taken away from thence was by Order delivered to M^r Attorney General

Came M^r Samuel Watkins Naval Officer of Pattuxent District & M^r John West Naval Officer of Pocomoke District & made Oath of them to their two Lists of Shipping they are ordered to prepare two more of each sort.

The hon^{ble} Coll^o Charles Huchins came and was added George Plater Esq^r Receiver of his Majestys Revenues within the District of Puttuxent Came & presented two Several Acco^{ts} to his Excellency the one of the 12 p hhd until the 14th of May 1697 & the other of all Fines Forfeitures by him Collected till the 5th day of April Anno 1697.

Coll^o Hutchins being taken Sick absents himself

M^r Watkins & M^r West take the new Oaths enjoyned for the better preservation of Trade.

Two Letters of M^r Syles writt to M^r Watkins being produced and read one thereof ordered to be delivered to the Kings Lawyers together with another writt to M^r Taylards formerly read for his Directions to prosecute Slye pursuant to former Order and that another private Letter writt to the said Watkins from the said Slye be kept in being the better to prove the said Syles hand writing upon occasion the other Letter to be laid before the Assembly.

M^r Tailor Sheriff of Dorchester County desires to have leave to come up to the Provincial Court & it is Granted him

March the 16th 1697/8

The Council again Sate & were Present

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His Excellency Fra: Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t Gen^l &^{ca}

{	Coll ^o Henry Iowles	Coll ^o Iohn Addison
	Coll ^o Geo Robotham	Tho Crooke Esq ^r
	Tho Tench Esq ^r	Ia ^s Frisby Esq ^r
	Coll ^o Char Huchins	

Came M^r James Cianford of Calvert County upon whose humble Motion that he might be again restored to his practice