

Lib. X. Ordered that the said Petitioners return to the said Ship & perform their duty for which they are Shipped & Engaged

March the 19th 1697/8

The Council again Sate & were

Present

His Excellency Fra^s Nicholson Esq^r Cap^t Gen^l

the honble { Coll^o Henry Iowles Thomas Tench Esq^r }
 { Coll^o Geo Robotham Col^o In^o Addison }
 { Coll^o Charles Huchins James Frisby Esq^r }

p. 11 Came M^r William Alderne Deputy Collector of the port of William Stad^t & made Report that he had no Acco^t to render nor list of Shipping to present since the last by him exhibited & made Oath to

The said William Alderne took the late Oath administred to his Excellency relating to Trade as also Major Will^m Dent Naval Officer of Potomack who at the same time made Oath to an Acco^t of Furrs & Skins &c^a

Monday March the 21st 1697/8

The Council again Sate & were present &c^a as on Saturday last

M^r John Hall of Baltimore County his petition for the remittance of a Fine of 1000^l w^t of Tobacco read and Granted

The petition of Philip Lines & Iohn Evans as Security of M^r Cood Ordered to be referred to his Majestys Lawyers & receivers to pursue what former directions they have therein

It is humbly represented by the Members of his Majestys honble Council of this his Majestys province now present that whereas some of the Gentlemen that have had the honour to Serve in this Station are now dead viz^t Coll^o Greenberry, Coll^o Brown & others that Live beyond the Bay are remote from this place that they Cannot possibly attend to discharge their duty upon all Emergencys happening for want whereof it hath already been Experienced Several Disappointments have occurred to the great hinderance of Business & his Majestys Immediate Service in this Gov^t therefore become humble Suitors to your Excellency that you would be favourably pleased to Signify this Deficiency to the right Honble Lords of the Council for Trade & Foreign plantations
p. 12 whereby his Sacred Majesty may become Sensible thereof & Cause such Addition of Councillors to be made as to his Royal Wisdom shall seem meet