

Lib. X. M^r Philip Clark appearing his Excellency tells him that it is sworne the said Clark should report M^r John Cood said he had murdered or made away with M^r Henry Denton late Clerk of this Board for that the said Denton was a material Evidence for the King M^r Clark says he did not say so

He & Sly are Commanded in his Majestys name to declare if they have any Body or can themselves prove any of the Articles now read

If they can they are Commanded in the Kings Name to prove them before the provincial Court and his Excellency will send summons for the persons they name to be brought before the provincial Court & the Iustices shall send their Depositions to the Secry of State under their hands & seals

Memd that a Copy of this his Excellencys offer was Delivered them by the Clark of this Board so by him signed

p. 131 M^r Clark say he conceives those Articles only concern the Persons that are the Authors of them, and do not concern him

And being asked why he did not prove his petition to S^r Edm^d Andros says he could prove every article in that petition but one

His Excellency is pleased to tell him that if he can prove it he will forgive him

Ordered that M^{rs} Mary Denton go before some of his Majestys Iustices of the provincial Court & upon Oath give an Acco^t to the best of her knowledge what her Husband M^r Denton died of

Ioseph Venours Deposition read giving relation that on the day sett apart by his Excellencys Proclamation for a fast he heard M^r Gerrard Sly say that he went not to church when the Devil proclaimed a Fast

August the 30th 1698

The Council again Sate

Present

	His Excellency the Cap ^t Gen ^l &c ^a	
the honble	{	Coll ^o Henry Iowles Chanc ^r }
		Thomas Tench Esq ^r }
	{	Rob ^t Smith }
		John Hammond }
		Esq ^r Iustices of the Pro- vvincial Court }
	{	Tho Tasker }

Then came Robert Mason & made Oath to his Acco^t of publick Treasury on the Western Shore

The said Mason also made oath to a List of Bills of Exc^o amounting to 55^l 19^s 6^d delivered by him to M^r John Perry decd by his Excellency the Governours order