

spake Law or not after which in a little time after the said Lib. X.
Iosephs went out of the Gallery & further Saith not

Robert Quary

Iur Coram me die et

An pd

Robert Smith

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His Excellency is pleased to lay before the Gentlemen present the Contemptuous practices of such persons & tells them that if they will Suffer themselves to be so abused yet he must take Care to prevent it

Whereupon advised that in regard the said M^r Ioseph's seems to be a person disaffected to this his Majesty's Government that the oaths appointed by act of Parliament be tendred him

And the said M^r Iosephs being brought before the Board in the Custody of the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County is asked what Occasion he had to make Such Reflections upon the Court & the oaths being tentred him he refused to take them Saying that it was his opinion that if he took those oaths he renounced his God

September the 2^d 1698

The Council again Sate

Present

His Excellency the Captⁿ General

the honble	{	Coll ^o Hen Iowles Chancellor	}
		Thomas Tench Esq ^r	
		Iames Frisby Esq ^r	
		George Plater } Esq ^{rs} Atty & Soll ^r Gen ^l	
		Will ^m Dent }	

Then read the petition of the Commsrs of Prince Georges County who now lye under presentment for Levyng more Tobacco in their County then by Law Impowred

And the said Gentlemen having submitted themselves & p. 135
praying that a Nolle prosequi might be entred upon the prosecution against them

And his Majestys Lawyers being asked their Advice say his Excellency if he pleases may order a Nolle Prosequi to be entered & that the Law will oblige the Sheriff & Clark of the County to refund the Tobacco so to them allowed

Ordered a Nolle prosequi to be entered thereon Lieu^t Coll^o Henry Low high Sher of S^t Marys County appearing is asked if he recd any Criminals from M^r Robert Mason late high Sheriff of S^t Mary's County says he rec'd none