

Lib. H. D.

A L<sup>r</sup> read in  
Councill from  
Mr Brechin  
Minister in  
Somerset  
County

A Letter being Read, from the Reverend M<sup>r</sup> James Brechin a Minister of the Church of England in Somerset County therein Complaining that he has not his dues according to Act of Assembly, this Board does say that they don't find by any Law of England or of this Province that any dissenting Minister can be admitted to Receive the 40 p poll: Ordered therefore that the s<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Brechin have Right and Justice done him pursuant to the Laws of England and of this Province.

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His Ex<sup>ncy</sup> having formerly Recd: a L<sup>r</sup> from the hon<sup>ble</sup> Edward Randolph Esq one of his Ma<sup>ts</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill of this Province and Survey<sup>or</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> of his Ma<sup>ts</sup> Customs, Dated the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May last, that he with other p<sup>r</sup>sons in each Govern<sup>t</sup> was to Administer the Oath appointed to be taken by the late Act of Parliam<sup>t</sup> Anno Septimo et Octavo Gulielmi tertij Regis intituled an Act for preventing ffrauds and Regulating abuses in the Plantacōn Trade unto his Ma<sup>ts</sup> Govern<sup>rs</sup> on the Continent of America, which is the Reason he hath not taken the s<sup>d</sup> Oath before, expecting the s<sup>d</sup> Esq Randolphs coming; but the time of the s<sup>d</sup> Act for taking the s<sup>d</sup> Oath being near expired he does in p<sup>r</sup>sence of his Ma<sup>ts</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill take a Solemn Oath upon the Holy Evangelist that he will to the Utmost of his Power; how that all the Clauses, Matters and things Contained in the afore recited Acts of Parliam<sup>t</sup> here to fore passed and now in fforce, Viz<sup>t</sup> One Act of Parliam<sup>t</sup> made in the 12<sup>th</sup> year of the Reign of the late King Charles the Second p. 474 intituled, an Act for increasing of Shiping and Navigacōn another Act made in the 15<sup>th</sup> Year of the Reign of his s<sup>d</sup> late ma<sup>ty</sup> intituled an Act for Encouragem<sup>t</sup> of Trade, another Act made in the 22<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>th</sup> years of his s<sup>d</sup> late Ma<sup>ty</sup> Reign, intituled An Act to prevent the planting of Tob<sup>o</sup> in England and for regulating the Plantacōn Trade, Another Act made in the 25<sup>th</sup> Year of the Reign of his s<sup>d</sup> late Ma<sup>ty</sup> intituled an Act for the Encouragem<sup>t</sup> of the Greenland and Eastland Trades and for the better Securing the Plantacōn Trades, relating to the s<sup>d</sup> Colonies & plantacōns and that all and every the Clauses contain'd in this p<sup>r</sup>sent Act be punctually and bona fide observed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof.

So help me God.

Ordered that the respective Navall Officers within this Province, do pursuant to the directions of the s<sup>d</sup> late Act of Parliam<sup>t</sup> intituled an Act for preventing ffrauds and Regu-