

Riding in Herring Creek for to Assist the s^d Collyer with Boat and hands forthwith in Ord^r to the setting him over to the Port and Town of Williamstadt, whereof let be noe failure Given under my hand and seal this 2^d day of ffeb^{ry} in the Eighth year of his Ma^{ty} Reign &^{ca} Annoq Domini 1696.
 ffr: Nicholson Lib. H. D.

To all the masters or Comand^{rs}
 of Ships and Vessells riding in Herring
 Creek }
 These

Maryland ss.

Mr Perry sent by Express to the Comodore in Virg^a Mr. John Perry the Bearer, being employed by me (upon acco^t of his ma^{ty} and the Countreys imediate Service) for to goe Down to the Comodore with an Express, is hereby directed to call upon all the Mast^{rs} merch^{ts} & Comand^{rs} of Ships in his way to Potomock and to Shew them the Copy of the Comodores Letter & Ord^r thereon herewith Sent to the End if they have any Letters or other matter to send to him, they may doe it by the Bearer; and this likewise comes in his ma^{ty} Name generally to Require the mast^r or Comand^r of any ship or Vess^l Riding at wiccomco in Potomock River for to aid and Assist the Bearer with Boat and hands forthwith in Ord^r to the giving him a speedy passage over the s^d River into Virginia whereof they are in no wise to ffaile; Given under my hand and seal this 3^d day of ffeb^{ry} in the Eighth year of his Ma^{ty} Reign &^{ca} Annoq Domini 1696. p. 454

To all Masters and Comand^{rs} &^{ca}
 These.

Cap^t Wager.

Capt Daniells Sr
 L^{re} to the Comodore abt
 the weath^r
 whilst his
 being here. I Received yo^r Letter and the inclosed Order of the 27th instant, by Lieuten^t Oakman who left my boat at Herring Creek not being able to proceed further by Reason of the Ice, I will make it my business to follow yo^r Orders Exactly if wind and Weather permitt, We have had extraordinary ffridgid weather ever since I sent L^t Ockman to you which was the 18th of December last much Snow almost Continually on the Ground and the Rivers & Creeks frozen up the Ice Cast up so confusedly thick in one place and thin in another that there was no Venturing on it that we have not been able to get on Shore in Ten days following and abundance of Ice in the Bay that Severall Sloopes and boates was Ketcht in it and drove about, for severall days, p. 38