Captain Iames Brain being Called in His Excellency is Lib. x. pleased to say that he is not to be taken with a few fair words in a Petition

But Since this is a Day appointed for publick thanksgiving & Especially upon the happy News of the good Agreement P. 173 of his Majesty & the Parliament of so long a Sessions upon that accot he is willing to remit him the Prosecution & the rather because this is the first time he has had any thing of the like nature against him

This being the day appointed for M^r Gerard Sly to appear before his Excellency the Governor in Council according to

his Bond for good behaviour & Appearance

Came the said Mr Sly & his Bond for good behaviour and appearance being read as likewise Mr Sly's narrative which being altogether in the Negative his Excellency is pleased to say that he has neither complied with his Sacred or human obligations his oath nor his Bond but since that now God be thanked all those disturbances & evil Reports spread abroad by him & his Accomplices were Supressed & defeated & not knowing how to Credit any thing he should either say or swear tho he never made so ample discoverys he will not trouble himself any further and Since this is a day of publick thanksgiving he is willing the Bond should be Vacated & said Sly acquitted thereof

October the 26th 1698
The Council Sate

Present

His Excellency the Gov^r

the honble

Collo Henry Iowles Chancellor
Collo Charles Huchins
Thomas Tench Esqr
Collo Iohn Addison
Collo Iohn Courts
Thomas Brook &
Iames Frisby Esqrs

The honble Collo Charles Huchins gives the follows Infor- P. 174 mation vizt

That about Iuly last he saw one Robert Reed of Dorchester County have a large Painted Pinnace with Masts & Sails & upon inquiry the said Reed told his Honour that two Seamen gave him her for carrying them to the head of Nanticoke afterwards sent his hon word that the Owners of her lived in Potomack & had Ordered him to keep her until he came for her