

Lib. C. B. Molyneux before this Board immediately; which Warrant issued as follows.

Whereas Richard Molyneux a Romish Priest is represented to be a Person very ill affected to his Majestys Person and Government and to have behaved himself on many Occasions in a seditious Manner contrary to his due Allegiance

You are therefore hereby required to take into your Custody the Body of him the said Richard Molyneux and him safe keep so that you have him immediately before the Governor and Council to answer to such Things as shall be objected against him

Signed p Order
J Ross, Cl Conc.

The said Richard Molyneux in Custody of the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County accordingly attending, is called in, to whom his Exc^{ty} is pleased to speak as follows.

M^r Molyneux

It being the Duty of this Government as well as of All others to provide for the Safety and Peace of the Community,
p. 255 We have thought proper to send for you before Us to acquaint you We have received such Informations as, 'though not thought proper to be made publick at this Time, yet that they are such as for the present We judge it necessary to assure Ourselves as far as We are able of your particular Conduct by obliging you to give good security for your Behaviour, which I must tell you has been observed to have been remarkably unguarded ever since your Arrival in this Province, but which, from the time that it has been known, that an Unnatural Rebellion was broke out in England, has exceeded all the Bounds of Prudence and Decency, and has not preserved the least Appearance of any Respect for that Government, under which your self and those of your Communion have been treated with the Greatest Tenderness and Lenity

However altho' We are not unacquainted with several Facts relating to your Conduct which may affect you in a Manner that perhaps you little think of, yet It is hoped this present mild Treatment will have such an Effect upon your Conduct, and that of those of your Communion as not to make a more rigorous Execution of the Laws necessary; And I must recommend to you, as you are said to be the Superior of the Romish Priests in this Province to take all the Care in your Power, that No Liberties be taken by those of your Church either in Words or Actions which may tend to Dis-