

6th October 1750

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Ordered by his Excellency the Governor that the following Warrant issue directed to the Sheriff of Worcester County, and a Duplicate to the Sheriff of Somerset County, and also the following Letter

Samuel Ogle Esq^r Lieutenant Governor & Commander in Chief of the Province of Maryland & Vice Admiral of the same

To the Sheriff of Worcester County Greeting, Whereas I am Informed that Several evil minded Persons contrary to all Law and Justice have Presumed to take into their hands and Possessions and to Convert to their use several Parcels of the Materials Cargo and other Effects of & belonging to a Ship lately belonging to the King of Spain or his Subjects which has been driven on Shoar by a violent Storm on the Coast of your County and that Several of the offenders have even dared to Insult and abuse yourself and others in the due Execution of your office of Sheriff and the Authority with which you are Invested in virtue of the Powers Granted to you under my hand and the Greate Seal of this Province the 13th day of Septem^r last Past, in Contempt of the Government and all Law and Justice

These are therefore Strictly to Charge and Command you to apprehend and take into your Custody all and every Person or Persons who hath or have presumed or who shall dare or presume to hinder or obstruct you in the due Execution of your office and duty and to Carry him her or them before some Justice of the Provincial Court to be dealt with according to Law, And all his Lordships Officers and all others his Majestys Subjects are hereby Charged & Commanded to Aid & Assist you in the Premises Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the said Province this 6th day of October in the 36th year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1750



8th October 1750

Sir

Upon the first Intimation I had of the loss of the Spanish Ship on the Coast of Worcester and that People were Plundering her, I sent Proper Powers to the Sheriffs of Worcester and Somerset to Secure all they could of the Materials and Cargoe, And did not Imagine any Body would have presumed to have resisted the Sheriffs in the Execution of their duty, But