

Lib. M. Brown and William Baker or Either of them and when they or Either of them shall be so taken and apprehended him or them forthwith to carry before One of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court to be dealt with according to Law, and as a Reward and Encouragem<sup>t</sup> for taking and apprehending the said Edward Smoot Samuel Smith James Armstrong John Powell Joshua Lowe James Mitchel John Mitchel jun. John Wilkins Joshua Hitchinbottom Thomas Brown and William Baker I do hereby promise that the Person or Persons who shall take or apprehend the said Edward Smoot and Samuel Smith shall have fifty pounds Current money of Maryland for Each of them, and the Person or Persons who shall take or apprehend the said James Armstrong John Powell Joshua Lowe James Mitchel John Mitchel jun<sup>r</sup> John Wilkins Joshua Hitchinbottom Thomas Brown and William Baker shall have Ten Pounds Current money for Each of them, and I do hereby strictly charge and require the Sherriff of Baltimore County to make this my Proclamation publick in the said County as he will answer the Contrary at his Peril Given at Annapolis this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of October in the twenty first year of his Ldps Dominion Annoq Domini 1735

J Ross Cl Conc.

His Excellency lays before this Board the following Affidavit.

Michael Howard of Talbot County Gent maketh Oath upon the holy Evangels of Almighty God that Edward Fotterell of the same County Gent came to this Deponents Lodgings the fifth day of this Instant August and demanded in a most outrageous manner a considerable Sum of Money from this Deponent alledging the same to be won at gaming several Years ago, which this Deponent refused payment of conceiving that the same was not due in Honour Law or Equity, whereupon the said M<sup>r</sup> Fotterell, having a Sword by his Side and a Hickory Stick in his hand, worked himself into a most furious Passion and Madness, and often pressed this Deponent in the most aggravating Manner to fight him, challenging often this Deponent so to do, which he absolutely refused, telling the said M<sup>r</sup> Fotterell as he did several Years ago, when he first claimed the said Money; that he this Deponent would never pay the same nor a Farthing thereof, unless he could recover the same by Law and also assuring him very truly, that he this Deponent, were he minded to fight, had not a Sword fit in any Respect for such Business, which Sayings and Words to that Effect, did but exasperate the said M<sup>r</sup> Fotterell, telling then this Deponent that he must get his Horse and ride with him