

tick, with lucid Intervals his quick Return from your Side, and as quick passing from one Body of Neutrals to another and making upwards inclined me to stop him, your Excellency will please to signifie your Thoughts and whether it be proper farther to detain him.

Lib. J. R.
& U. S.

I am with the greatest Respect
S^r your Excellency's very humble Servant
B: Hands.

Which being read it is their Opinion, that he still be detained in Custody.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board a Report made to him by the Justices of Charles County Court of their having passed Sentence of Death upon Negro Ben the Slave of a certain Richard Gardiner for a certain ffelony by him committed, and no favourable Circumstance appearing for him, it is ordered that Dead Warrant accordingly issue.

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis, on Monday the 30th Day of August in the sixth Year of his Lordships Dominion, Annoque Domini 1756:

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor				
The honourable	{	Benjamin Tasker Esquire	} Col: Benj ⁿ Tasker	
		Colonel Charles Hammond		&
		Philip Thomas Esquire		Benedict Calvert Esq ^r

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter.

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I received last Night Accounts by which I apprehend that Oswego, with all its' Stores and Ammunition, and the Train placed there is lost, the Garison made Prisoners, and our naval power on the Lake destroyed; I must put you on your Guard against every ill Consequence of such an unhappy Event, and as you may now expect the Weight of the French Indian power on your Back, I must caution you to put your Frontiers immediately in the best posture of Defence you are able, as from the Condition and Number of the Troops left to me when I came to my Command, I can scarce hope to do more than to resist the ffrench power in these quarters.