

Whitehall March 7<sup>th</sup> 1757: Lib. J. R.  
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Sir

I am directed by the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations to send you the inclosed Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act to prohibit for a limited Time, the Exportation of Corn, Grain, Meal, Malt, Flour, Bread, Biscuit, Starch, Beef, Pork, Bacon, and other Victual (except Fish, and Roots, and Rice to be exported to any Part of Europe Southward of Cape Finisterre) from his Majesty's Colonies, and Plantations in America, unless to Great Britain or Ireland, or to some of the said Colonies, and Plantations; and to permit the Importation of Corn and Flour into Great Britain and Ireland in neutral Ships, and to allow the Exportation of Wheat, Barley, Oats, Meal, and Flour from Great Britain to the Isle of Man for the use of the Inhabitants there.

I am Sir

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> humble Servant

John Pownall

His Excellency acquaints the Board that the Right honourable the Lord Proprietary had appointed Daniel Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup> a Member of his Lordship's Council, and that he now attends in order to be qualified

Whereupon the said Daniel Dunlany Esq<sup>r</sup> takes the Oaths p. 189 to the Government appointed to be taken by Act of Assembly, and likewise the Oath of a Councillor and subscribes the Abjuration and Test and takes his Place at the Board accordingly:

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

Chester Town May 9<sup>th</sup> 1757..

May it please your Excellency

We the Subscribers Commanders of the Ships and Sailors lying at Chester Town beg Leave to represent to your Excellency that upon the strictest Enquiry we could ever make concerning the violent Attack on ourselves, Men, and Ships on the second of April last in the Night by the Soldiers and others in firing loaded Musketts at us we never understood that either M<sup>r</sup> James Nicholson or M<sup>r</sup> Alexander Calder thó unfortunately present as well as several others when the Soldiers fired and we believe had imprudently resolved if the Sailors had come on Shore to have assisted in beating them because some young Men of the Town had been struck by some of the Sailors in the Day Time when the young Men