tioned James Richard with a Condition that he shall depart Lib. C. B. the Province on or before the first Tuesday in June next and No. 20 never to return again. Whereupon a Pardon was issued accordingly.

This day being appointed to take into Consideration the Complaints of John Doncastle and William Wright against Richard Lee Esq^r Sheriff of Charles County the said Richard Lee only attending was called in, who informed this Honourable Board that John Doncastle was not to be found in the Province and that William Wright had timely and regular Notice of this Meeting, as may appear by the following Letter and Deposition, Viz.

May the 1st 1770.

Sir

Inclosed you have the Letter I received from you some time ago for my Father as I have never had a convenient opportunity of sending it and have lately heard that he is not at the place where I expected he was neither does it lay in my Power to inform you where he is as his Brother can give no Account of him and I do not expect he will be this way before the middle of the Summer.

 $\begin{array}{ccc} & I \ am \ Sir, \ Your \ most \ humble \ Serv^t \\ To \ Richard \ Lee \ Jun. \ Esq^r & John \ Doncastle \end{array}$

The Deposition of Joseph Courts aged Twenty eight years or thereabouts being Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and saith that Sixteen or Eighteen days before the Council met to hear the Complaint of William Wright and John Doncastle against Richard Lee Junior Sheriff he this Deponent delivered a Letter to William Wright which was delivered by Richard Lee Jun. to this Deponent to deliver to the said Wright and a few days afterwards he this Deponent informed the said William Wright of the day that Richard Lee Jun was to take several Depositions and desired that he would attend at Richard Lee Sen. on that purpose to which the said William Answered that he would not attend. This Deponent further saith that a few days afterwards he gave William Wright Notice again to attend at Annapolis on the day the Council was to set and the said William Wright answered that he should attend there and bring his Witnesses and further this Deponent saith not.

The above Deposition taken before

Samuel Love

Richard Lee Esq^r laid before this Board the following De- p. 100 positions and Papers in his Defence Viz.