

hee was One that surprized this sayd ship or Vessell att the Barbados upon noe other Commission, then upon the Act Touching Trade. That comming from thence by Antegoe, they brought the s^d Vessell directly to this Riuer. As concerning the master of the Vessell, hee sayth That hee was treated Ciully by him, & the rest; But did not proffer the s^d Master the Vessell soe surprized by him againe.

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P. C. R.

The Examⁿ of James Mountioy, taken &c:

This Exam^d acknowledgeth in open Court what is sayd by him in his Exaōn taken by the Gouverno^r 31 May, & Reexamined sayth That after hee wth the rest of the Company had surprized this Vessell, they brought her away from Barbados into this Riuer, intending here to make their marktett to their best aduantage.

Vid. sup.
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The Reexaminaōn of Mathew Benham &c:

This Exam^d Sayth That hee was one of the Company th^t surprized this Vessell att the Barbados, & goeing in a Boate there, they layd her on board. That for his owne part hee had noe Commisⁿ for taking her; neyther knoweth hee whither any other of the Company, who surprized her had, any Commisⁿ to iustify them therein or not.

It appearing by the Examinaōns & confessions of all the fores^d parties That they wthout any Commisⁿ had seized the s^d Vessell, upon prentence th^t shee belonged to Amsterdam. And neyther bringing the master, nor any One Dutchman of her Company, nor the Cocquetts, whereby it could be made clearely appeare to what place shee belonged; But only soe far forth as the Oath of Richard Stockdale (who is an Englishman) is ualid, who protends hee was one of the Company, shipped on board her att Amsterdam, & taken in her att the Barbados.

Vppon Consideraōn whereof, & of the Order prescribed in the seuerall Acts of Parl^t for the prouing of shippes to be lawfull prize, w^{ch} by the s^d Prisoners hath not bene obserued, The Court doth Judge That the ship called the S^t George of Amsterdam, & her freight, brought into this prouince by the s^d Prisoners be seized into the hands of the Lord Prop^r, And th^t if wthin a yeare & a day noe lawfull right bee made appeare, That then the s^d Vessell wth all her freight, apparell tackle & furniture bee adiudged lawfull prize, & th^t in the interim the goods in her bee appraysed.

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The Court adiornd by the Gouverno^r till to morrow morning att ten of the Clock, att Cap^t Stones att S^t Maries.

These are to Authorize & Requyre yoⁿ to empanell a Grand Jury of 24 men to enquyre of Certaine fellonies Committed agst his L^{ps} rule & Gouverm^t. And Returne this writt by to morrow Ten of the Clock att the Court att Cap^t Stones howse. Gyuen under my hand & Seale this 2^d day of June 1659.

To Cap^t Nicholas Gwyther
Sheriffe of S^t Maries County.

Josias ffendall #