

John Addams aged 21 yeares or thereabouts sworne Eodē die Liber B B  
sayth [p. 13]

That hee came to Bromalls plantaōn for Tob. th<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> of this Instant, & staying att th<sup>e</sup> Landing, There lay a Canow w<sup>th</sup> oysters in it. And wee went into th<sup>e</sup> Canow, & eate some of them, And the Boy came downe in the interim & told us wee were hard att worke, And noe sooner had th<sup>e</sup> Boy spoken But th<sup>e</sup> man came behind him, And then wee went into our owne Boate. And th<sup>e</sup> man Patrick Due by name Came downe the hill, Swearing God Damme him hee would kill us, if there were noe more men in the world, Calling us Sea Doggs. And I by name John Addams told him if wee had done him any wronge in Eating of his Oysters I would pay him for them, & incontinently heaued a Quarter of a peice of Eight on th<sup>e</sup> shoare. But hee swoare hee would haue none of our moneys, but fyred att us presently & would not lett us come on shoare, but sett his Doggs att us, soe that hee forced one of Our Company into th<sup>e</sup> water up to th<sup>e</sup> middle, & further sayth not  
John Addams.

Sworne before us John Bateman Will<sup>m</sup> T Turner.

The Examinaōn of Robert Hobbs taken before us the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 1662 aged 16 yeares or thereabouts sayth

That on th<sup>e</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> instant hee was sent by th<sup>e</sup> Ouerseer of Bromhalls plantaōn, Patrick Due, to forewarne some Seamen att their Landing from eating oysters, that was theirs, in a Canow. And bid him take th<sup>e</sup> Doggs (Towser &c:) & sett them att them. And when hee came there, hee fownd the Seamen of Cap<sup>t</sup> Stories eating of oysters, And hee told them they were hard att worke: They replyed, Did hee pay for th<sup>e</sup> Oysters? Hee answered th<sup>t</sup> hee had bene working for them all day. And imediately att his heeles came Patrick Due & w<sup>th</sup>out any other words then God Damme him yo<sup>w</sup> Rogues, Ile kill yo<sup>w</sup>, if there were noe more men in the world, comming Cursing & swearing, As hee came downe the Hill, & w<sup>th</sup>out any further Capitulaōn, presented his Gun & fyred her att them & wounded one of them in the face & th<sup>e</sup> other in th<sup>e</sup> Body.

Examined before us John Bateman Will<sup>m</sup> T Turner.

The Jurors going out by themselues to consider of th<sup>e</sup> Inditem<sup>t</sup> & th<sup>e</sup> Euidence & their Verdict. The Court is adiorned by th<sup>e</sup> Lieut<sup>t</sup> Gräll till their Returne, who sitting long & late, The Court is adiorned thereuppon till tomorrow morning 9 a Clock.

Aprill p<sup>o</sup> 1663, 9 a Clock. All p<sup>s</sup>ent as yesterday.

The Jurors Came into Court, answering to their names, All of them (Except George Richardson) who for his not gyuing attendance & appearing att the hower & place appoynted, was fyned therefore to th<sup>e</sup> Lord Proprietary, in the sume of Two Thowsand pounnds of Tob & Cask, by th<sup>e</sup> maior vote of the Board.

Vid. fol. 17  
fine remitted.