

Liber J J six men goe to the Horekeil the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June last past, as he humbly Conceives it was Lawfull for him to doe By virtue of a Commiss<sup>n</sup> and graunt to him made by the Right Honb<sup>le</sup> the Lord Proprietary und<sup>r</sup> the Great Seale of this Province bearing date the 20<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill last in the 40<sup>th</sup> yeare of his Lord<sup>pp</sup>s Dominion, for the Indian Trade and amongst other things by the said Comiss<sup>n</sup> was Impowred him the said Thomas Jones his Agents ffacto<sup>rs</sup> or assignor<sup>s</sup> finding any pson or psons Trading with y<sup>e</sup> Indn to take seize or surprize the said pson psons so tradeing as aforesd, Together with their Ship or Ships Boats vessells (or Truck for skyns Clandestinly had or purchased) And them to keepe in safe Custodie untill they shall be brought to a Loyal tryall before his said Lord<sup>pp</sup>s Cheife Gov<sup>r</sup>no<sup>r</sup> of his said Province of Maryland

p. 520 As by the said Recited Grannt amongst other things it doth & may more at large app<sup>e</sup> And this Respond<sup>t</sup> saith that he haueing Impowred Daniell Browne his Agent who being at the Horekeil in worcester County and finding seu<sup>r</sup>all Dutchmen Tradeing with the Indians for ffurrs, and being alone and the Dutchmen in great number, Repaired to the Respond<sup>t</sup> and acquainted him therewith, This Respond<sup>t</sup> did then repayre to the whorkeil and finding the Dutchmen there, and their number to be more then three parts greater then the numb<sup>rs</sup> that this Respond<sup>t</sup> there had with him, and also being informed that they had seized on the Pson of the said Daniell his their Agent a liver in this Province and now Constable at the Horekeil, and violently and with force carryed him away Prison<sup>r</sup> to the Port of New yorke who there deteyned him. Whereupon this Respond<sup>t</sup> did seize the persons of diverse Dutchmen & them bound till he found out who of them it was that seized tooke & Carryed away the said Browne Prison<sup>r</sup>, and this Respond<sup>t</sup> found out that it was one Hermanus that was the theife he released them all but the said Hermanus whome he Deteyned till Cap<sup>t</sup> Carre gaue this Respond<sup>t</sup> a Lire to his Excellency the Gou<sup>r</sup>no<sup>r</sup>. for the deliuey of the said Hermanus, wherupon this Respond<sup>t</sup> released him the said Hermanus, And this Respond<sup>t</sup> further saith that he then finding there seu<sup>r</sup>all ffurrs that the Dutchmen had there Clandestinly traded for with the Indians, and without any Comiss<sup>n</sup> from the Lord Proprietary, Did by virtue of his said Comiss<sup>n</sup> seize them and one Matchcoate that they were wrapped in with Promise of Restitution if those goods should not be proved seizable & fforfeited, All which this Respond<sup>t</sup> hath giuen in a perticuler to his Excellency the Lord Proprietary, Cheife Govern<sup>r</sup> to be Proceeded ag<sup>t</sup> in a Legall manner to be acquitted or Condemned as uppon hearing the matter and proofes on both sides it shall seeme Agreeable to Law and equity, The Powder that this Respond<sup>t</sup> found being truck, and they telling this Respond<sup>t</sup> they would sell it to the Indians and a power of Indians being then in the towne for prevention of present & future Danger (if any Tumult should be made) he destroyed all but what