

tain Information against the Pink Ann of Maryland John Blackmore Master the Tenor of which Information followeth in these words.

To the Justices of their Ma^{ty} Provinciaall Court for the Province of Maryland.

Be it remembred that Edward Randolph Esq. who as well for our Said Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and Queen as for himself gave the Court here to understand and be inform'd That whereas by a certain Act of [30] Parliam^t made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second Intituled An Act for the Encouragem^t and increasing of Shiping and Navigation amongst other things it is therein contained, Viz^t And be it further Enacted by the authority afore Said that for every Ship or Vessell which from and after the Five and twentieth day of December in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Six hundred and Sixty Shall Sett Sail out of or from England Ireland Wales or Town of Berwick upon tweed for any English Plantation in America Asia or Africa Sufficient Bond Shall be given with one Surety to the Cheife Officers of the Custom house of Such Port or place from whence the Said Ship Shall Sett Sail to the Value of One thousand pounds if the Ship be of less Burthen then One hundred Tonns, And of the Summe of Two thousand pounds if the Ship Shall be of greater Burthen That in Case the Said Ship or Vessell Shall load any of the Said Commodities at any of the Said English Plantations that the Same Commodities Shall be by the Said Ship brought to Some port of England Ireland Wales or to the Port or Town of Berwick upon Tweed and Shall there Unload and put on Shore the Same the danger of the Seas only excepted And for all Ships Coming from any other Port or place in any of the afore Said Plantations who by this Act are permitted to Trade there that the Govern^r of Such English plantations Shall before the Said Ship or Vessell be permitted to load on board any of the Said Commodities take Bond in manner and to the Value afore Said for each respective Ship or Vessell that Such Ship or Vessell that Shall Carry all the afore Said Goods that Shall be loaden on board in the Said Ship to Some other of his Ma^{ty} English Plantations or to England Ireland Wales or Town of Berwick upon Tweede and that every Ship or Vessell which Shall load or take on board any of the afore Said Goods untill Such Bond be given to the Said Govern^r or Certificate produced from the Officers of any Custom house of England Ireland or of the Town of Berwick that Such Bond have been there duly given Shall be forfeited with all her Guns Tackle Apparell and Furniture to be imployed as by the Said Act is directed which Act is Still in full force and unrepealed. Notwithstanding John Blackmore Marriner Commander of the Ship Ann belonging to this Province of Maryland not regarding the Statute afore Said nor the penalties therein Contain'd any wise fearing but altogether Slighting and Contemning the Same after the making of the Said Statute to Witt the Tenth day of Jan^{ry} and divers times before in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred Ninety and three