

Justices here a Certaine Information against the Pinck Ann of Maryland John Blackmore Master, the tenor of which Information followeth in these words.

To the Justices of Their Ma^{ties} Provinciaall Court for the Province of Maryland.

Be it remembred That Edward Randolph Esq^r who as well for our Sd Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and Queen as for himself gave the Court here to understand and be informed That whereas by a certain Act of Parliament made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second Intituled an Act for the Encourageing and Encreasing of Shipping and Navigation amongst other things it is therein Contayned Viz^d)

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 Set Saile out of or from England, Ireland, Wales, or Towne of Berwick upon Tweed, For any English Plantation in America Asia, or Africa Sufficient Bond Shall be given with one Surety to the cheif Offic^{rs} 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 One hundred Tuns and of the Summ of two Thousand pounds if the Ship 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 Comodities Shall be by the Said Ship brought to Some Port of England, Ireland, Wales, or to the Port, or Towne 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 [11] Coming from any other Port or place to any of the afore Said Plantations who by this Act are permitted to Trade there, That the Goverⁿ of Such English Plantations Shall before the Said Ship or Vessell be permitted to load on board any of the Said Comodityes take bond in Manner and to the Vallue afore Said for each respective Ship or Vessell that Such Ship or Vessell Shall carry all the afore Said Goods that Shall be loaded on board in the Said Ship to Some other of his Ma^{ties} English Plantations or to England, Ireland, Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed, 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 Custome house of England, Ireland, or of the Towne of Berwick that Such Bond have been there duely given, Shall be forfeited with all her Guns Tackle Apparell and Furniture to be imploy'd as by the Said Act is directed which Act is Still in full force and unrepealed Notwithstanding John Blackmore Marrine[r] Comander of the Ship Ann belonging to this Province of Marylan[d] not regarding the Statute afore Said nor the Penalties therein contain[d] any wise fearing but altogether Slighting and contemning the Sam[e] after the making of the Said Statute (to wit) the Tenth day of January and divers times before