

Mr. Andrew: (Robert Hunt & some) this day, by the Master and the rest of the Shipps company except J. R. Hunter. — The aforesaid Robert Hunt & some being examined by the Court concerning the death of the aforesaid Hunter, said he knew nothing of the matter further than what the Seamen had informed him. — Whereupon this Court Examined the Seamen, who professed the following Depositions. —

1. Being at Sea the 14th day of March there is one in Willoughby's boat aboard and by on said accident fell out of the boat as follows: I went down to the Cabin and stayed a little time in there & it being near to twalff I went up to take my Observation & before at the Ship's head and there continued till twalff, so I heard some of our Company call out that Robert Hunter is killed by the Willoughby's boat so I run after & find the man laying in John Oros was holding up his head now being dead & two wounds in his body & on in his face but for any barisment betwixt them how I heard none the voyage but was weary (and) to him along the voyage this is all I can declare as witness my hand. John Douthin.

The above Deposition was read in Open Court and the sd John Douthin made Oath upon the holy Scriptures to the true thereof. — and — and — and — and

2. Under Subj. & being do hereby declare what I did see & hear concerning the for sd accident. I being at y^e Wellin I did hear Robert Hunter & was killed after to go allone with the for sd Willoughby if the Master would suffer him and confirmed it by a Oath. then the for sd Robert Hunter went down betwixt the & presently I heard a strangle betwixt him & some of our Company & presently our Bosson John Brown by name came upon deck & his voice saying that Robert Hunter is abouted him like as I was a boat, then I heard that Robert Hunter was coming upon deck again & I went to the ship & the steering was by the flingron of the ship he prebald & pushed up the durs & I clapt a rope about him to tie him fast but two of the Willoughby's men rose off the rope so I went to the helm again & left him & presently our Master Andrew Cuthbertson came upon deck with a small sword in the one hand and a Dogst in the other his back was towards me & presently when I looked up again I saw him raising off the. Hunter & his shirt with much blood upon it. I ran oth he is killed the man so y^e man was dead & I saw a wound above his left breast and a wound on his face, this is what I can declare as witness my hand but let betwixt them two formerly along the voyage as witness my hand. Davidson.

The above Deposition being read, the Deposition Alexander Davidson made Oath to the true thereof. — and — and — and — and

3. Under Subj. & being do hereby declare what I saw concerning the for sd accident. I being upon deck I did see Robert Hunter come upon deck with his shirt with much blood, and he went forward to the head taking a towel after he saw the Master Andrew. Cuthbertson coming upon deck with a small sword in the one hand & a Dogst in the other, then Robert Hunter went forward & knelt and knelt in the boat and came after, and layed to the Master Man I am not a friend of my life so they they went together & the Master fell then he restored him self & they fell together again and the man was presently dead then I gripped to the Dogst & whaled it over board, as for and —