

Maryland

A Court of Admiralty held by Special Commission at the House of Mr. Richard, in the County of the City of London the 29th day of August in the 14th year of the Dominion of the Right Hon^{ble} Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore Anno 1685

Present

John Buggis } Justices
Henry Burt }
Thomas Prigg }
Thomas Orghatt }

Nicholas Swall Esq^r who as well for our Sovereign the King the Lord Prop^{ty} & Chief Govern^r of Maryland prosecute

Upon Information which followeth in these words

ag^t
James Stott Master of the Ship Alexander of London-derry in Ireland

That it is remembered that on the nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord 1685 James Stott here into Court the Hon^{ble} Nicholas Swall Esq^r his Majesty's Collector of all the Rates Duties and Impositions due and payable to his said Majesty in Maryland by Robert Barvill his Attorney who as well for our said Lord James the second by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith & the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ty} & Chief Governour of this Province of Maryland as for himself in this behalf prosecute and as well for the said Lord the King and the said Governour as for himself exhibited to the Court here his certain Bill of Information against James Stott Master and Commandr of the Ship Alexander of London-derry in the Kingdom of Ireland whereby giving the Court here to understand and be informed that whereas in the Statute made in the Parliament of our late Sovereign Lord Charles the second of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith & of blessed memory deceased in the fifteenth year of his said Majesty's reign at Westminster in the County of Middlesex in the Kingdom of England amongst other things it was enacted by Authority of the said Parliament that from and after the twenty fifth day of March of our said Majesty's said 1664 no Commodities of the Growth production or Manufacture of Europe should be imported into any Land Island Plantation Colony or Territory or place to his Majesty's Colonies or whithers should be after either by Sea or Land Africa or America (except such Commodities as were shipped in England Wales or the Town of Berwick upon Tyne and in English built Shipping or whithers were bona fide bought before the first day of October 1662 and had since certificate thereof as was directed in our said intituled Act for preventing of Frauds and Regulating abuses in his Majesty's Colonies & whithers the Master and three fourths of the Marryners at least were English and where should be tarried directly thence to the said Land Island Plantation Colonies or Territory and place and from not other places whatsoever any Law Statute or usage to the contrary notwithstanding under the penalty of the loss of all said Commodities of the Growth production or Manufacture