

I have therefore thought good to Advise y^e Ex^{ty} that have writt home to my friends at London to make Application to their hon^{rs} y^e Com^{rs} of his maj^{ties} Customs to represent y^e matter to them how Farly I am Abused by that wicked man Stanbrough and the Severity of the bond may not be extended ag^t y^e Severity in many lands; ordering my friends if possible to make Satisfaction to y^e Com^{rs} for what their hon^{rs} shall Judge reasonable that Certificates may be obtained to draw y^e bond in Maryland which hope to have by some of our Ships In y^e fall from London.

And if Understand Mannett be obtained of their hon^{rs} y^e Com^{rs} then I further resolve to make Application to y^e Ex^{ty} or who so ever may be Impowered in that respect on whom I designe to throw my self for money too that y^e Severity may not suffer as in Equity and hon^r. I am obligd and hope that my con- dition will be considered for my Designe and possibly order was that y^e Ship should be discharged at New Castle, I now humbly pray for y^e Ex^{ty} favour y^e bond be not prosecuted against the Severity which will greatly oblige him who is in duty bound

J^s Ex^{ty} most humble Serv^t

In Barland

May pleas y^e Ex^{ty}

Boston 20th Apr^{il} 1698

Having rec^d an Acct^t that a gent^l in y^e parts was like to be a sufferer by giving bonds for m^r Botlands Interest signifying the same to m^r Botland he presently declared he would rather part wth his Estate than to let any suffer, he has desired me to give a Certificate to Enclose and do on his behalfs Desires what kindness may be shown you would favour him therein for of a Scotchman knows not one Endeav^r wth a principle of honesty lik^e him self. I shoud not to meddle wth other mens concerns but being perswaded lik^e y^e Importunate Widdow makes me Intrude too much on your Goodness knowing a noble Spirit is always doing good and showing mercy, have ac^t of my L^{dy} Ballamall, Aridall did designe to have waited on him at New York and from thence designe to give you a visit by my Friend being excusing ill wth low dard not leave As to y^e Ketch Hampshire expect to have a line from my L^{dy} and then shall quess how y^e Cards will play crad Excus^{ed} remain m^r Dyer has put in S^r Edmond Andrews y^e L^{dy} m^r Randolphs Court Arms in the Church should be glad to see you again at my house, wh^{er} is you shall be very welcom.

J^s Ex^{ty} humble Serv^t In the

J. H.

Shipped by y^e Grace of God in good Order and well conditioned by George Lingham in and upon y^e Good Shipp calld y^e St^l Margaret wherof is master Andor God for this present Voyage In Clark and now riding at Anchor in y^e Herring Bay and by Gods Grace bound for England or Holland to Sayone the of marland toafe to be being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be Delivered in the like good ord^r and well conditioned at y^e afores^d ports of England or Holland (y^e Passages Excepted) unto m^r Micajah Long Merchant in London or to his Assigns, he or they paying freight for y^e said Goods at y^e Rate of Twopennyes per Tunn for England and eight for Holland wth Maryland Duties wth primag^e and Average Customes. In witness wherof y^e master or purser of y^e said Shipp hath affirmed to two Bills of Lading all of this honorable Date; y^e one of which two Bills being Accomplished, y^e other to Stand void, and Soe God send y^e good Shipp to her desired Ports in Safety, Amen Dated in Marylande the 4th of 1698 Quantity L^{ike} Quality Unknowne to me

John Clark