

Said Court to raise and they do pray that the Compt. may accept of
 said from the Dofth by such equal portions & in such reasonable
 kind as this Court shall judge the Estate may be capable to raise
 the said sum & wth the Gen^l. have so they concluded their answer
 as by the 20th Bill & answer may now at large appear now the
 cause coming this present day being the sixteenth day of
 December in the year of our Lord 1696 to be heard upon bill and
 answer by & wth the Consent of the 20th Compt. Dofth their Council
 and Attorney by law present in Court the said Dofth answer being
 in all points admitted as true save only that in y^e List of Dofth
 in the Schedule to the answer & to this present Decree annexed
 there is a mistake of 400 of tobacco by y^e Dofth mistake the
 said being instead of 12556 of tobacco but 12156 of tobacco
 so that the balance in y^e 20th answer mentioned due to be paid
 by the Dofth to the Compt. is 30144 of tobacco and y^e Compt. Council
 offering to give in Court to accept of 6000 of good & M^{ch} table tobacco
 to be paid this present year 1696 Cropp & Shipping Lymd
 together wth the costs of this suit & to give the Dofth two years
 day of payment for the residue of the said 30144 of tobacco the Dofth
 giving good security to pay the said as also to accept of y^e
 Dofth in the said list of Dofth of 12156 of tobacco if it doth not
 otherwise appear the same or any pt^r thereof have been reserved
 by the 20th John Bearercroft in his life time or by the Dofth
 since his death or by their or any of their Exors as also that
 y^e Dofth be assistant to y^e Compt. Attorney in producing the
 Bearercrofts book of sales or other books of account where by
 to charge the 20th Dofth for recovery of y^e Dofth in y^e 20th List
 mentioned which y^e Dofth Council in Court agreeing
 It is therefore by this Court ordered adjudged & decreed by
 with y^e Consent afo^r that the 20th Dofth do forthwith pay unto
 the 20th Compt. or his Attorney for his use the sum of 6000 of
 good sound & M^{ch} table tobacco in cash convenient in St. Marys
 County in y^e of the 20th Balance of 30144 of tobacco afo^r together wth
 wth the costs of this suit wth amounteth to the sum of 3178
 of tobacco in all y^e sum of 9178 of tobacco and for y^e residue of y^e
 said sum of 30144 being 24144 of tobacco it is hereby ordered that
 the said Dofth do give unto the Compt. 20th Attorney good and
 sufficient security to pay the said in two years time by
 seven equal portions that is to say 12072 of tobacco
 at or upon the tenth day of November next 12072 of tobacco
 residue thereof at or upon the tenth day of November wth shall
 be in the year of our Lord 1698 both paym^{ts} to be made in St.
 Marys County as the 20th security to be recorded in this Court
 Court. But in default of y^e Dofth giving such security as afo^r
 the 20th Compt. is at liberty to proceed against y^e Dofth for the
 30144 of tobacco wth in that case it is hereby decreed to be
 forthwith

Thomas Dafforn pt
 Jn: Newmann et ux
 Jn: Bearercroft Def