

To all to whom this present writing shall come, I, Mich: Thomas Jones Marine  
 and Lieutenant of the Ship *Francis North*: belonging unto *Robert Gray*  
 coming into the *Gulf of Virginia* on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July last about seven  
 a clock in the Morning Espied a Ship at an Anchor within *Sancti Spiritus Bay* under  
 the *Quays Point* with *Sails* Ancient and *Spanners* aboard, which I took to be a  
 Man of War he fired his Guns commanding me on Board when the *Ship* told  
 me if I had not come he would have sunk me there was *Gun* by him a *Flag*  
 both which the day before he had taken I offered the *Company* and the *Ship*  
 himself to have *Gold* *Prizes* ab: their *Wishes* the *Ship*: had a *gold* *lock* *Spiker* hanging  
 at it the *Ship*: then Examined me *where* I came and with what *loaden* I  
 was run, he then Demanded my *Command* which when perused, he said the  
*Port* *Prizes* and *Tallow* he would have and what else he had occasion for  
 I plainly told me he was a *Pyrate* in the *Interim* I said one that I knowed  
 belonged to a *Brigantoon* called the *Barber* one *Heart* *Commander* his name  
 was which *Brigantoon* had not long before been taken by the *Pyrate*  
 this *Sea* encouraged me telling me the *Ship*: would not wrong me otherwise  
 then to take what he wanted or what he had a *Mind* to, then my *Ship*—  
 was *Commanded* on Board the *Pyrate* the *hatches* opened and *diverse* *goods*  
 taken and put on Board the *Pyrate* but my self being *confined* could  
 not see what was taken, in the mean while the *Ship*: demanded me into his  
*Cabbin* and gave me a *short* *Relation* of his *Transactions* telling me he  
 was a *Merchantman* of *Glamorganshire* his name *Sam* *Dames* his *Ship*  
 called the *Alexander* which he had taken from one *Capt: Writt* of *South*  
*Carolina* ab: the *Bay* of *Campania* or the *Bay* of *Camden* *loaden*  
 with *Logwood* he then swore he would have *Some* of my *Company* and  
 would burn my *Ship* I then begged to have my *Ship* again and that he  
 would not for ever ruin me who was his *Countryman* and that  
 rather then go with him I would burn with the *Ship* he then  
 compelled my *Mate* *John* *Lucas* and *William* *Steward* to go with  
 him *Commanding* them out of my *Ship* who appeared very unwilling  
*Logging* and *earnestly* *Impreaching* the *Ship*: for their *Liberty* did all  
 in *Vaine* when he had thus taken my men and what he pleased out  
 of my *Ship*, he *Commanded* me to go in my *Ship* to *fetch* him *Water*  
 from aboard the *Ship*: which when I had done a *strong* *tide* *flowed*  
 my *Coming* on Board the *Pyrate* again upon which he weighed  
*Anchor* to us and took in the *Water* and likewise my self again on Board  
 and there detained me till ab: eight at *Night* at which time one

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