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His Lordship } Somerset County p. The Jurors for the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary that now is for the Body  
John Hales ..... of Somerset County upon their Oath do present that John Hales late of Somerset County planter the fifth  
day of July in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and thirty two with force and arms in the  
County of Somerset aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court one pair of boots of the value of one pound ten shillings  
one pair of gloves of the value of three shillings current money of Maryland of the goods and Chattels of a certain Water  
Cask then and there found there and there feloniously stole took and carried away against the peace of the Right  
Honorable the Lord Proprietary his good rule and government and also against the form of the act of assembly in that  
case made and provided ----

Test. Eleazar Covington, James Jones & John Covington.

On the backside of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was thus Endorsed viz. Ignoramus ..

Our Sovereign Lord & King } Somerset County p.  
His Lordship }  
Edward Chamber }  
Aid & Sott }  
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Be it remembered that Edward Chamber Esq. Collector of the Customs  
of the Lord the King that now is in promote District in the County of ... who as well for the said  
Lord the King the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary of this Province as for himself followeth

Comes before the Justices of Somerset County in Court now sitting this nineteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One  
thousand seven hundred and thirty three in his proper person and as well for the said Lord the King the said Lord pro-  
prietary as for himself gives the Court here to understand and be informed that he the tenth day of June in the year  
of our Lord seventeen hundred and thirty three at Somerset County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court  
seized to the use of the said Lord the King the said Lord Proprietary and himself as forfeited the vessel or Shallop called  
the Somerset whereof was then master and Sott together with three hogs of Tobacco three Deer skins and one  
skillet for this after the Twentieth day of September which was in the year of our Lord Sixteen hundred and seven-  
ty one to wit the tenth day of June in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and thirty three aforesaid in Som-  
erset County aforesaid three hogsheads of Tobacco of the growth of the Province of Maryland were Laden and taken  
on board the said vessel or Shallop without any bond being given that the said Tobacco should be carried to Great  
Britain or some other of His Majesty's British plantations contrary to the form of the Statute in such cases  
provided whereupon the said Edward Chamber Esq. as well for the said Lord the King the said Lord Proprietary  
as for himself prays the advice of the Court here in the premises and that the said vessel or Shallop  
together with her Tackle apparel and furniture and the said three hogsheads of Tobacco three Deer skins &  
one Skillet remain forfeited to the use of the said Lord the King the said Lord Proprietary and the said  
Edward Chamber Esq. and that he the said Edward Chamber Esq. may have one third part of the value  
thereof according to the form of the Statute. — and

Upon which proclamation for the Lord the King (as the manner is) was made if any person  
would inform the Court here why the said vessel together with her Tackle apparel and furniture, three  
hogsheads of Tobacco, three Deer skins and one Skillet to the said Lord the King the said Lord Proprietary  
and