

Kent and then and there to propose to the said freemen to choose from amongst themselves two or more discreet honest men to be their deputies or Burgesses during the next Assembly according to the form of an Instrument which I herewith send unto You to which Instrument which I herein send you to which Instrument all the said Freemen are to set their hands And if they Agree not in the Election then you are to return upon the Instrument the Names of such two or more persons upon whom the Major part of the Freemen so assembled shall Consent and You shall require the Freemen so assembled to Agree upon a certain Contribution for the defraying of the Charges which such Burgesses shall sustain by their repairing to the Assembly and together with them you shall Return hither the Instrument of their election signed as is appointed afore and for so doing this shall be your warrant Given at St Marys this 21st December 1638

To my loving Kinsman William Braithwaite

Cecilius Lord Proprietary &c to the Sheriff of our Isle of Kent greeting Whereas William Cleyborn late of the Isle of Kent and his partners William Cloberry and David Morehead of the City of London in the Kingdom of England Merchants have jointly usurped our said Isle of Kent & since the absolute Lordship and Proprietary of the same Isle granted unto us by his Majesty's Charter under the Great Seal of England and since the promulgating of the said Charter within our Province have notwithstanding continued and maintained the said usurpation and the said William Cloberry and David Morehead both by Letters Messages and otherwise out of England have encouraged and assisted the said William Cleyborn to commit sundry insolences Contempts and Rebellions against our lawful