the Lo: Prop. [illegible] against the will of the said [illegible]
warrant, contrary to the peace of the Lo: Proprietary &c.

redeunt Ignoramus.

The Grand Inquest, the said Inquest was charged wth 2 Bills more, viz

1. Lett it be enquired for the Lo: Prop. if at mattapanian in St Clements hundred on Sunday in Aprill 1643. Richard Ingle mariner did use & utter certaine malicious & scandalous words agst the Palatinate power of Prince Rupert viz [that Prince Rupert was Prince Traitor & Prince Rogue, and if he had him aboard his ship he would whip him at the capstan] maliciously & scandalously agst the peace of the Lo: Propr &c.

redeunt Ignoramus.

2. Lett it be enquired for the Lo: Prop. if Rich. Ingle mariner on 30th day of march last, aboard of the said Rich. Ingles ship, in S. Georges river within the County of St maries, did use & utter these traitorous words (viz, that the King (meaning the sover: Lo: K. Charles) was no King neither would be no King, nor could be no King, unles he did ioine wth the Parlamt.) intending & conspiring the death & destruction of sd Lo: the K. as an enemy & traitor, contrary to his allegiance & contrary to the peace of sd sov. Lo: the K. &c.

and the Inquest not agreeing upon their verdict, at 7 at night, prayed to be dismissed & the Secretary adiourned the Court & Inquest till Satturday morning 9 a clock.

Cur Provinc; apud S. Johns 3° febr. 1643.

3 The Secretary read in Court the 15. article of his Lps Instructions under his hand & seale; bearing date at London 20th october 1642 in these verba

a [And in case the number of the said Counsellors either by death absence or otherwise
a shall at any time happen to be reduced to less then three (besides the said Lieut.) his Lp. doth in that case give power to the Lieut. to supply the number by nominating one or two more such other able persons in the said province to be of his Lps Counsell and Conservator of the peace there, as he the said Lieut. shall thinke fitt, whom his Lp. declares (after they have taken the oathes of fidelity & of Counsellors to his Lp. (wch his Lp. requireth & authoriseth his said Lieutenant to administer unto them) shall have all the powers & preeminences of Counsellors and Conservators of the peace within that Province, till upon notice given thereof given thereof to his Lp. he shall further signifie his pleasure therein.

By vertue whereof the Lieut. Generall nominated Thomas Gerard gent to be of his Lps Counsell & Conservator of the peace within the Province, who took the oath of fidelity in these words.

I doe faithfully & truly acknowledge the right hon. Cecilius Lo. Baltemore to be true & absolute Lo. & proprietary of the Prov. & Country of Maryland & the Ilands thereunto
4 belonging, and I doe sweare that I will beare faith unto his Lp. his heires Lords & Proprietaries of the said Prov: & will yeild willing & true obedience to his Lp. & his heires & their government in temporall affaires in & over the said Prov. & Ilands thereunto belonging as to the true & absolute Lords & Proprietaries of the same.