

It is remembered that on the 10th day of December 1699⁽¹⁶⁾ the above said
 Samuel Chew Esq^r took the Oath of one of his Lordships Council
 January the 4th 1700

Upon information Given by Daniel Jenifer Gent
 unto William Calvert Esq^r one of his Lordships Privy Council
 that James Clifton of Virginia Gent being within the Province
 (to wit) the second day of this instant month of January at
 the City of St. Marys within this Province did Maliciously and
 Traitorously utter publick and detestable words of Concer-
 ning and Against the Majesty and Person of our Royal So-
 vereign King Charles the second King of England &c to wit that
 the King was a Son of a Whore and would buy one thousand
 pounds and more to put him never would

Whereupon it was Comanded John Keele that he take
 the Body of the said James Clifton and him to bring before the
 said William Calvert Esq^r or some one of his Lordships Privy Coun-
 cil to answer the premises

Afterwards to wit the fifth day of the same month
 of January in the year aforesaid before Philip Calvert Esq^r &
 William Calvert Esq^r two of his Lordships Council came the
 said James Clifton in the Custody of the said John Keele
 and the said Daniel Jenifer likewise and the said Daniel saith
 that he was informed by Abraham Aldred and Walter Lane
 that the said James Clifton had spoken the above said words
 against the Kings Majesty whereof he standeth accused and
 the said Abraham Aldred ^{& Walter Lane appearing & being sworn upon their Oaths} saith that being in Company with
 Mr Clifton on Sunday last among several others there was
 some quarrelling but he never heard Mr Clifton speak any
 thing against the King of England in his life and further de-
 pends that he did not hear the said Clifton speak these words
 (viz) that the King was a Son of a Whore and would buy