

Capt. John Stanesby Sheriff of Baltimore County upon the back of a warrant to him directed to the second Day of May last pass for the Summoning of Henry Johnson and John Mole of his County to appear before his Honor and Council the one and twentieth Day of the same m^o made this Return viz

This warrant came to my hands the thirtieth Day of May by means whereof (the time being expired) I could not summons the persons within mentioned to appear at a certain time. John Stanesby Sh^r.

Warrant thereupon issued afresh to summon the said persons to appear before his Honor Justice of the Peace Court at & near Gov^t Court to be holden at S^t. Maria the fourth Day of October next

Ordered that the following Dispositions D^s to & of the Council by his Honor to be Entered in the Council Books viz

Maryland

The Disposition of M^r. Edmund M^r. Dermott for and in behalf of the R^o. Hon^{rs}. the Lord Prop^{rs}. taken upon oath the 15th of June 1691 before M^r. George Talbot Esq^r. one of his Honor's Privy Council

That Edmund M^r. Dermott being duly sworn upon the holy Evangelist faith that on Saturday the Eleventh of this Instant June being at a house of Mordecai Shulton in Calvert County and the J^r. Mordecai having newly parted with Thomas Freeman Esq^r. Demanded of the Disponent why he had not told the J^r. Freeman some news to the J^r. Edmund being lately come from Potomack - and to the J^r. Edmund answering that he had but old news brought in by Capt. Shippard, and some news already common concerning Simiquet and On^o. Dickison of Charles County w^{ch} the Disponent related to the J^r. Shulton who upon the J^r. Shulton told him that he had news for him (viz^t) that a Boy in Charles County ranging for his Master horse met a single Indian w^{ch} Indian asked the Boy whether he met more Indians and the boy answering negatively the Indian seemed to wonder, for (said the Indian) those English called the Romans and the Simiquet are to join together and kill all the Protestants to which the Disponent answering that the story was very idle, then queth the said Shulton his not so. To be sure I believe you know of it, which the Disponent denying Shulton added that he believed it to be true, for he was certain as was also credibly reported and certainly known that three Priests were gone out of the Province and about the business but to what place he knew not, and that he had the report from a very credible person (viz^t) Major Freeman, and that Major Freeman had it from very credible men of Charles County, and from a Boy that was known to be no Liar; and for that reason (said he) we must stand upon our own Disposition, in testimony whereof the said Edmund M^r. Dermott had his name set his hand the Day above said

Taken before me

George Talbot

Edm^d. Dermott

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