

that he would keep them himself whereupon the said Luke tendered security for what charge should be awarded against them upon the said Appeal but was from time to time put off and some times that no security would be taken at other times told by the said Governor that he did not know whether he would grant an appeal in their case or no. but the said Geo. Luke after so long a stay from his own habitation having very urgent occasion to go home pressed the Gov^r to tell him whether he would accept of security or no, but could have no positive Answer from him, but all means used to tire him & the rest out, and make them let fall their appeal

for which reasons and for that the said Geo. Luke and W^m. Burnet do manifestly see that there is no redress to be had for them from the Governor and Council the Governor being a Party as also the Informer being next to him in Council and for the several Imperfections in the Information Exhibited against the said W^m. Burnet Ship and Goods and the severall illegal means used to bring the said Ship to Condemnation The said Geo. Luke in the behalf of himself and the said Burnet doth solemnly protest as well against the Illegality of the proceedings of the said Court of Vice and Admiralty as against the said Governor and Informer for all Costs Expenses & Damages sustained by the said Luke Burnet and all others concerned by reason of the illegal Proceedings aforesaid In witness whereof I the said Thomas Lawrence at the request of the said Luke have hereunto set my hand & Seal of my Office the day and Year abovesaid

A true Copy of the Protest of Geo. Luke of Virginia Merch^t against certain proceedings relating to the Ship Margaret and the Condemnation thereof. Sworn before and signed the day and Year abovementioned

At me

Thos Lawrence

The Deposition of William Maynam of St Marys County aged two and thirty Years on therabouts as follows (viz)