

Came Mr William Alderme Deputy Collector of the Port
of William. Staut & made Report that he had no Acc^t
to render nor list of Shipping to present since the last by
him exhibited & made Oath to

The said William Alderme took the late Oath adminis-
trated to his Excellency relating to Trade as also Major William
Port Naval Officer of Potomack who at the same time
made Oath to an Acc^t of Fur & Skins &c^d

Monday March the 21. 1698

The Council again Sat & were present &c^d
as on Saturday last

Mr John Hall of Baltimore County his petition for the
remittance of a fine of 1000 to w^t of Tobacco was and
Granted

The petition of Philip Lines & John Evans as Securi-
ty of Mr Good Ordered to be referred to his Majesty's Law-
yers & receivers to pursue what former directions they have
therein

It is humbly represented by the Members of his
Majestys honorable Council of this his Majesty's Province
now present that whereas some of the Gentlemen that have
had the honour to Serve in this Station are now dead viz
Coll^r Greenberry, Coll^r Brown & others that live beyond
the Bay are remote from this place that they cannot possi-
bly attend to discharge their duty upon all Emergencies hap-
pening for want whereof it hath already been Experienced se-
veral Disappointments have occurred to the great hindrance
of Business & his Majesty's Immediate Service in this Gov^t
therefore become humble Suitors to your Excellency that you
would be favourably pleased to signify this Deficiency to
the right Honble Lords of the Council for Trade & Foreign
Affairs whereby his Sacred Majesty may become