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If the King holds therefore Concession absolutely necessary  
that houses may be appointed in the most convenient  
places for Shipping within his District where Goods &  
Merchandise may be landed & duty Inspected to prevent  
Frauds & the designs of false Traders

Which said Representation being <sup>here</sup> considered and  
as to the first part thereof it is referred to his Majesty's  
Lawyers to Consult & make Report what sort of Revenue  
shall be Granted

And as to the other part it is thought Advisable that  
Application be made to the right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lords Commissioners  
of his Majesty's Customs

March the 31 1698

The Council again sat & were present as Yesterday  
Produced & read a Letter by his Excellency read from  
the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs dated the  
30<sup>th</sup> of December 1697 that the Bark Mermaid having  
for Master John Rogers was bound for  
Maryland &c<sup>a</sup> Cited that Copies of the same be sent to  
the several Collectors & Naval Officers together with Copies  
of a Letter sent from the said Commissioners unto the Hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Edward Randolph Esq<sup>r</sup> Surveyor General Dated the 9<sup>th</sup> of  
December 1697 Concerning some New England Vessels  
Intended toally for the Plantations of Scotland though some  
were registered in the Plantations

David Kennedy Esq<sup>r</sup> Collector of Accomack District  
being present & had Copies of the said two Letters delivered  
him at the Board & was directed to give Copies of the same  
to Mr West Naval Officer

April the 1 1698