

Maryland

To the Honble Thomas Smith Esq
 President of her Majesty's honble Council now sitting
 The humble petition of William Bates Mar-
 ner Esq Commander of the good Ship Sherburn
 of London

Most humbly sheweth unto Your Honour

That your Petitioner as Master of the said Ship
 being bound into this Province with the said Ship & Cargo
 upon his Departure from England had the misfortune to
 meet with one Edward Randolph Esq^r whom your Petitioner
 after many fair Promises of his good Behaviour received
 Board in Order to give him a Passage to Virginia or Maryland
 with some other of the said Mr Randolph's Friends that
 the said Esq^r Randolph during his passage committed great
 Disturbances on Board the Ship and being disappointed
 with your Petitioner & some others belonging to the Ship
 seized in Lynnhaven Bay and went on Shore at Regulators
 About sixteen days ago yet notwithstanding hath not as yet
 made any Steps towards bringing her to trial so that your
 Petitioner's Voyage & Trade is much impeded and Damned
 And therefore he humbly prays that notwithstanding such
 Seizure so as aforesaid made by the said Mr Randolph for
 Which there is no Colour or Pretence whatsoever your Peti-
 tioner may be admitted to give good Security to answer
 Any information to be exhibited by the said Edw Randolph
 in England or else where against the said Ship and Cargo
 & upon giving such may be permitted to go on with his
 Voyage & Trade here as other her Majesty's good Subjects

And he shall ever pray &c