

It being on the 21st of the said month of October 1709
 George Plater... several Officers of the said Port who said
 he had received a Letter from the said Mr Randolph
 relating the said Ship had broke Bulke, and the said Plater
 being consulted & that it would be a loss to her
 Majesty's Revenue to stop the Ship in her hatching & to
 bring her to shore it is resolved that the said Master have leave
 to trade & carry security on the sum of three thousand pounds
 to be answered any information by the said Mr Randolph
 to be exhibited against the Ship & Cargo upon the aforesaid
 License and Security as the said William Bates George
 Plater Esq^r the Majesty's Receiver of the said Port being pre-
 sent and official Mr W^m Nicholls Mr Thomas Hynton
 & Mr Charles Sandeys of Colchester County for his Security
 whom the said Mr Plater approved of & was ordered to
 take Bond accordingly

That Nicholls & Hynton said & referred to the Com-
 mon Law

Upon Edmund Jennings Esq^r his Letter of 23 of Sept
 1709 as followeth

Honble Sir

The Reason of this is by his Ex^{ty} Command
 to Acquaint you that yesterday morning was seen in Lynn
 town a very large Ship wearing a Flag or very broad
 Board & mounted at the top mast head and supposed to
 be an Enemy his Excellency thanks it very much for his
 Majesty's Service and desires with all Expedition you
 shall Order Captain B... with her Majesty's Advice
 they under his Command down into this Government
 I am not further to add more than that

I am

Honble Sir