

Maryland By His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq Governor and Commander  
in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland.

## A Proclamation

Whereas it appears by the Examination of several Witnesses upon Oath that Edward Smoot Samuel Smith James Armstrong John Powell Joshua Lowe James Mitchell John Mitchell jun. John Wilkins Joshua Hitchinbottom Thomas Brown and William Baker on the fourteenth day of this Instant October and divers Other persons to the Number of Twenty five in all, armed with Weapons offensive and defensive in a riotous manner met and assembled together in Baltimore County and assaulted beat wounded and imprisoned several of his Majestys Subjects Inhabitants of the said County and with force and Arms have turned them out of their freeholds and Possessions and put many others in great fear and dread of their Lives to the great Disturbance of the Peace wherefore I have thought fit with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State to issue this my Proclamation hereby strictly charging and commanding the Sheriff of Baltimore County and all Other his Lordships Officers Civil and Military within this Province to take and apprehend the said Edward Smoot Sam. Smith James Armstrong John Powell Joshua Lowe James Mitchell John Mitchell jun. J. Wilkins Joshua Hitchinbottom Thomas Brown and William Baker or Either of them and when they or Either of them shall be so taken and apprehended him or them forthwith to carry before one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court to be dealt with according to Law, and as a Reward and Encouragement for taking and apprehending the said Edward Smoot Samuel Smith James Armstrong John Powell Joshua Lowe James Mitchell John Mitchell jun. John Wilkins Joshua Hitchinbottom Thomas Brown and William Baker I do hereby promise that the person or persons who shall take or apprehend the said Edward Smoot and Samuel Smith shall have fifty pounds Current money of Maryland for each of them, and the person or persons who shall take or apprehend the said James Armstrong John Powell Joshua Lowe James Mitchell John Mitchell jun. John Wilkins Joshua Hitchinbottom Thomas Brown and William Baker shall have Ten pounds Current money for each of them, and I do hereby strictly charge and require the Sheriff of Baltimore County to make this my Proclamation publick in the said County as he will answer the contrary at his peril. GIVEN at Annapolis this 25th Day of October in the twenty first Year of his Majestys Dominion Anno Domini 1735

His Excellency lays before this Board the following Affidavit  
Michael Howard of Talbot County Gent maketh Oath upon the holy Evangelis of Almighty God that Edward Fotherell of the same County Gent came to this Deponents Lodgings the fifth day of this Instant August and demanded in a most outrageous manner a considerable sum of Money from this Deponent alledging the same to be won at gaming several Years ago, which this Deponent refused payment of conceiving that the same was not due in Honour Law or Equity, whereupon the said M. Fotherell, having a Sword by his side and a Michony Stick in his hand, worked himself into a most furious Passion and Madnes, and often puffed this Deponent in the most aggravating Manner.