

Master then said to his Mate, here Belt take these Keys and go down and bring up the Papers upon which the said Brig's Mate damned him, and asked him what Business he had to call any Body there by their Names, and thus it was that Deponent found the Mate's Name, and in the same Manner the Name of another Man one M. Lachlan. However the said Belt the Brig's Mate received the said Keys of his Captain and went down into the Cabin and opened this Deponent's Chest, and after searching there called out to his Captain that he could not find the Papers upon which the Brig's Captain ordered his said Mate to open the little Trunk into which the said Brig's Captain had seen this Deponent put them, and he would find the Papers there, and the said Brig's Mate accordingly opening the little Trunk, he found this Deponent's Papers belonging to the said Schooner (except this Deponent's Commission) at the Top of the said Trunk, which he took out and likewise took thereout Gold and Silver Money consisting of Half Johannes's Spanish Pistoles, and Dollars to the Amount of one hundred and eighty one Sounds Maryland Current Money out of a much larger Quantity which Lof this Deponent discovered by afterwards counting over his Money, and after having pocketed this sum of Money he jumped up upon Deck with the Papers in his Hands and asked if these were they and the said Brig's Captain replied yes come along all this Transaction relating to the Chest and Trunk in the Cabin, and the Money, this Deponent is apprehensive was unseen by any other Person of his Crew, besides himself, the rest of his Crew being tied in such Parts of the said Schooner as he thinks must prevent their having any View into the Cabin, but that he this Deponent was tied to the Pump next to the Cabin Door, and facing it which Door being left open during this Transaction this Deponent had a full View of what the said Brig's Mate was doing there, and this Deponent further saith that some time after his Mate and Hands had pursuant to a former Order gotten on Board the said Brig, this Deponent's Boat broke loose from the said Brig and being floating about was picked up by the said Brig's Hands on Board this Deponent's Schooner about ten or twelve Minutes before the said Brig's Mate had done the aforesaid Business in the said Schooner's Cabin and that upon his presenting this Deponent's Papers to the Brig's Captain as aforesaid, the said Brig's Captain, Mate, and all the Brig's Crew jumped into the said Boat having before hauled down the Schooner's Pendant and hoisted a Whiff at the Mast Head, and the Brig then bringing too, they set off in the said Boat from the Schooner leaving this Deponent and his Crew tied and gagged as aforesaid and arrived on Board the said Brig carrying with them five Cullasas belonging to the said Schooner besides this Deponent's Papers and Money as aforesaid, jumped immediately upon their Arrival on Board the said Brig, they stood away in her up the said Bay bound for Calumet River, and this Deponent further saith that it was some considerable Time after the said Brig's Master, Mate and Crew had arrived on Board the said Brig before any of this Deponent's Crew on Board the said Schooner could get disengaged from the Condition in