

of Assembly, and that he attends in order to be Qualified or he takes the several Oaths to the Government subscribes the Abjuration and Test and takes the Oath of a Councillor and thereupon takes his place at the Board accordingly.

At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Friday the 27th day of September in the Fifteenth Year of his Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1765.

Present.

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governour.

The honorable Benj. Tasker, Sam. Chamberlayne, Edw. Lloyd, Rich. Lee, Rob. Henry, J. Oulany, John Ridout, Cha. Goldsborough and Henry Hooper Esq.

Read the Report of the Justices of the Peace George Jenkins relating to the Convictions of Negro Charles Slave of Thomas Lancaster and James Slave of Rob. Tyler whereby it appears that they had in August Court last passed Sentence of Death on the said Negroes for feloniously breaking open the Meat House of a certain Benjamin Harwood and Stealing from thence a large Quantity of Bacon the Goods and Chattels of the said Benjamin Harwood.

Ordered that Pardons issue to the above Negroes which issued accordingly. And likewise Ordered that a Letter be written by the Clerk of this Board to John Herbourn Esq. recommending to him to bind the said Negroes to their good Behaviour appearing from their Conviction that they are Persons of ill Fame.

Read the Representation of the Justices of the Provincial Court relating to the Conviction of Edward Rudghins and John Hubbert for Murder, and Rich. Smith for Felony.

Ordered that a Reprieve issue to Rich. Smith which issued accordingly. and Ordered that Dead Warrant be issued for the Execution of Edw. Rudghins and John Hubbert on Friday the 5th day of October next. which issued accordingly.

At a Council held at the Governours on Saturday the 26th day of October in the Fifteenth Year of his Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1765.

Present.

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governour.

The honorable Benj. Tasker, John Ridout, and Cha. Goldsborough Esq.

His Excellency was pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter from Cap. Hawker
Sardine, New Castle River, Delaware 25th October 1765.

Sir

In consequence of Applications made to me by the respective Governours of New Jersey and Pennsylvania I have taken the Stamp Papers for these Provinces on Board His Majestys Ship Sardine, under my Command, till a place of Safety could have been provided for them, and understanding there were also some for Maryland brought by the same Ship (Royal Charlotte) and Imagining your Honour had not the Opportunity of making the same Application to me, I therefore, as it related to his Majestys Service, and out of Respect to you have taken them also on Board me, and beg your directions for the disposal of them as soon as Possible.

I am with great Regard, Sir
Your most humble and obedient Servant
Ja. Hawker.