

To His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor of Maryland.
The Petition of Edward Owens of Frederick County humbly Sheweth.

That your Petitioner's Servant William White on or about the Seventh day of October last was committed to the Custody of the Sheriff of Prince Georges County for stabbing a certain Benedict Hood of the said County your Petitioner further Shews to your Excellency that the said Benedict Hood by means of the stabbing aforesaid languished until the Seventh day of November 1766 or thereabouts on which day he died Your Petitioner therefore prays your Excellency to grant him an Special Commission of Oyer and Terminer &c. for the Tryal of the said William White as his laying in Goal until the next Court of Assize for that County will be attended with very great Expence and Damage to your Petitioner - and your Petitioner as in Duty bound will pray

20 November 1766.

Edward Owens.

Ordered that the Register of the Secretarys Office be directed to make out a Commission as Prayed for - John Hopburn Esq. and Messrs. Francis Haring, John Lunter, and John Cooke Commissioners.

A Meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber on Monday the first day of December in the sixteenth Year of his Majesty's Dominion Anno Domini 1766.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq. Governor

The honorable Benjamin Lusher, Richard Lee, Benedict Calvert, Daniel Dulany and John Ridout Esq.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letters from the Lords of Trade and Plantations are from the Earl of Shelburne one of His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State.

Whitehall 1st August 1766.

Sir In pursuance of an Address of the House of Commons to His Majesty on the 2^d of March last and of His Majesty's Commands thereupon signified to us by His Grace the Duke of Richmond in a Letter to us dated the 11th ult. you are forthwith to prepare, and as soon as possible transmit to us, in order to be laid before the House of Commons in the next Session a particular and exact account of the several Manufactures which have been set up and carried on within the Colony under your Government since the Year 1764. and of the Publick Encouragements which have been given thereto.

You are also from time to time annually to transmit the like Account of any Manufactures which shall be hereafter set up, and the Publick Encouragements which shall be given thereto.

Horatio Sharpe Esq. Secy.
Governor of Maryland.

We are Sir,
your most Obedient Servants
Palmerston John Roberts
Dartmouth W. Fitzherbert
Ed. Elliot

It is the Advice of this Board that His Excellency lay the above Letter before the present General Assembly now sitting.