

INSTRUCTIONS to be Observed and Pursued  
by the Reverend W. Bennett Allen, His Lordships  
Agent and Receiver General, in the Province of  
Maryland. Viz

1<sup>st</sup> The several Naval Officers are Annually, as soon as possible after  
the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, to deliver to you particular Accounts  
according to the Method now in use, proven on Oath before and  
certified by some Provincial Magistrate or Justice of the Peace  
of the Duties of Tonnage & Ton according to the true Tonnage  
of all Ships and other Vessels i.e. upon the said Ships Burthen,  
Bulk and Measurement, having a Deck flush fore & aft;  
and One Shilling of Hoghead on Tobacco Exported, which they may  
respectively have received during the preceding Year ending  
the 29<sup>th</sup> of September— They are also, at the same time, to pay  
you in Cash, or good Bills of Exchange, by them respectively  
drawn, or Indorsed, for the whole Amount of such Duties by them  
received, deducting thereout their usual Commission of Two  
Cent. The Amount of the Tonnage & Ton you are to  
remit to His Lordship, but you are to pay to Horatio  
Shafer, Esq. the Lieutenant Governor, or the Lieutenant Gover-  
nor for the time being the whole amount of the Duty of  
One Shilling of Hoghead on Tobacco exported, imposed by  
the Act of 1704. so to you paid by the several Naval Officers  
in pursuance of His Lordships Instruction bearing Date  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 1756. and to debit His Lordship  
with such payment in your annual Account, but in