

Upon reading the Petition of Samuel Newwood on Behalf of Aiton and being advised it is referred to the Consideration of next Assembly

The following Depositions brought into the House from the Honble Council were ordered to be entered Viz Monday April 7th 1707

John Spry brought before the Board declared about the first of March last he was at Mr. Samuel Smiths on Potowmack Point where he came in Company with one Mr. Garrott who discoursed him about coming to South River to fetch said Garrott's wife, the Declarant told him if he would get a Sloop, Clark had in his Company Thomas Wintersole and a Schoolmaster and two Negroes, after the Declarant went over the Bay Broroton was at Samuel Smiths, when the Discourse was, and understands that he went down to Eliz^a Town in Virg^a with Clark. Sometime after the Declarant's Return over the Bay, said Garrott who the Declarant now verily believes to be Richard Clarke of this Province came to Potowmack Point with a Sloop, Broroton with him and two other Men who came Passengers, and went over to Somerset County and then the said Garrott agreed with the Declarant to go Skipper of the Shallop to South River, to fetch his wife, gave him three Letters, one directed to Mr. Joseph Hill, one other to Elizabeth Garrott and the other to Wintersole's wife, the Declarant came into South River the 29th March, sent Thomas Broroton with the Letter to whom Garrott directed him for Advice and to take his Directions in all Things, on Sunday Morning said Hill and Broroton came on Board the Shallop where the Declarant gave the other two Letters to Hill or else Broroton carried them with him, and Hill and Broroton on Howo Bachs went to Mrs. Clark's or as Broroton has told him went to Captain Welsh's, whither they went for Mrs. Clark and she came to them. Broroton saw her and discoursed her and said she was a bish talking woman. On Sunday Night Thomas Broroton came on Board and told him he must go to Mr. Hill's, whither he went on Monday Morning March 31st would have had Broroton gone to enter the Sloop, but Broroton told him, Mr. Hill said he must come himself to the Collector, the Declarant went with Mr. Hill to Mr. Evan Jones who gave him the Permit produced. And Mr. Hill lent the Declarant Money to pay for it 2^l 6^s. then Mr. Hill bade him go up the River, saying you complain your Shallop is leaky, let that be your Excuse, if any come on Board, but who you are acquainted with. Mr. Hill said he wished he had the Things on Board and the Shallop under Sail with a fair wind he would give twenty Pounds, told him when discoursed of clearing there was no Wood of it; was at Mrs. Clark's House and helped down with a cut