

and by what practise or mistake is not known; a subscription thereon to Captain *Ston* Governour of *Maryland*. And by this (together with a Copy of that Petition of the Merchants and others trading to *Virginia*, brought in by Mr. *Eltonheads* and sent over by Lord *Baltimore*.) Captain *Ston*, and all *Maryland* fall to arms, and disarm and plunder those that would not accept the aforesaid Oath. A part of them at last stood upon their guard, onely sought to Captain *Ston* to shew his Commission, and they would submit; he caused to imprison their Messengers, and being of far greater number, assaulted them at their houses; threatens to have their blood, calls them Round-head Rogues and Dogs, brought whole bagfuls of chewed Bullets, rolled in powder, saying, The Devil take him that spares any; and so falls on upon the day dedicated to the Virgin *Mary*, with the word *Hail* for *St. Mary*; but the Protestants commanded their men not to shoot upon pain of death, until some being slain by a volley of shot from the *Marylands*, they defended themselves, and God confounded Capt. *Ston* and all his Company before them: there were near double the number in Prisoners to the *Victors*, twenty slain, many wounded, and all the place strewed with Papist beads where they fled; but the Proceedings thereof, and how the arm of the Lord was revealed, and his mighty power manifested even to administration, together with the success, and the evils drawn upon themselves, appears by the relation thereof; at this time also published by a Messenger from thence.

The Lord *Baltimore* pretends in print, his entertainment into *Maryland* of the Parliaments Friends thrust out of *Virginia*; but those very men whom he so stiles coming thither being promised by Captain *Ston*, that he would declare urging the Oath upon them, complain of it to the Parliament, are in answer thereunto vilified by Lord *Baltimore*, and publicly taxed for obscure factious fellows, and in his later Letters termed the basest of men, and unworthy of the least favour or forbearance; such advantages doth he make on all sides, at such a distance, and in such incompounded times, that he confidently takes the liberty to aver such extream and contrary things which amaze other men