

erable Quantity of near seventy thousand pounds, whereof he hath not collected or received above two or three and twenty thousand, the rest of your Petitioners dues in the said County lying still out dispersed in small Parcels, and your Petitioner suspended and removed from executing the said Office, and consequently rendered incapable of ever collecting the same, whereby to reimburse himself what he hath really and bona fide laid out &c as a^d to his great Loss Damage and almost Utter Ruin unless relieved by your Excellency according to your gracious and favourable Promise heretofore given your Petitioner which he makes bold and presumes now to put your Excellency in mind of, and humbly moves your Excellency that if there be at present any Room for your Exc^y to extend your favours by way of any Place of Trust and Profit, Your Petitioner may be the Object of your Consideration or otherwise that your gracious Inclination towards your Petitioner may in perpetuum rei memoriam be entred upon Record to be made good when Occasion shall present, and such Methods taken in the mean time for the securing collecting and receiving your Petitioners parcels and publick dues in the said County as to your Excellency and your Honours shall seem meet and convenient

And as in Duty bound shall pray &c

Ordered that Major Ninian Beale Successor to the said William Parker in the Office of high Sheriff of Calvert County do collect & receive the Petitioners Parcels and publick dues in the said County without any Charge to the Petitioner

His Excellency produced and ordered to be read to the Board these following Letters he had lately received from Ann Arundel County (Viz^t)

Iuly the 25th 1692 Severn River p. 28

May it please your Excellency
Sir

Since my last to your Excellency on the 18th Instant I was alarmed with a dull Peice of Paper from Major Thomas to M^r Ashman, and so to me, that the Indians had besett Captⁿ Richardsons house, as the said Richardson did signify to him by an Express, which Writing from the said Thomas is here inclosed and also a Letter to me dated the 20th Instant from the said Richardson, to blast the aforementioned Report with the matter of truth, by the Cry of a Pig, and for the better and more certain Confirmation resolved into that County, so soon as your Excellencys Commands came to my hand, which was on the 20th Instant, and the next day I went into the said