

Henry Higges app: & accusation.

Lib. R. R. R.

Command was given to the Sheriff of S^t Maries County to have before this board the Body of Henry Higges his prisoner as yesterday he was required

He is accordingly brought, and charged with severall gross misdemeano^{rs} and affronts given to the Commission^{rs} of Cecil County Court in Court seateing, presumeing to come into Court and seate himself on the bench with them (his hatt on) and calling for drink sweareing he was come to drink with them, & shewing much more such contemptuous behaviour towards them; according to the Information of M^r Edward English

who being called & Sworne Saith

That the second Tuesday in September at the County Court of Cecill County whereof himself is a member and was then present One Wheeler being accused for killing and destroying the neighbours horses, a greate disturbance arose, and he the said Wheeler was bound to the peace, One Swithen Wells stood up and begann to vindicate his cause in such manner as the Court was forced to committ him; This Henry Higges was also very insolent and after two or three times of rebuke from the Court came peremptorily and seates himself on the bench with the Justices (his hatt on) and swore God damn them, he was come to drink a bowle of punch with them & such like discourse

Command given to the Sheriff of S^t Maries County to take again into his custody the said Henry Higges, and him safely keepe untill he shall Enter into bond with one good sufficient security, in the summe of thirty pounds sterl himself, and ffifteene pounds for his security, for his good behaviour and appearance before this board the first day of the next Prov^l Court p. 123

Cap: W^m Peerce Shff: Ce^l Co: app: & is checked

Cap^t William Peirce Shff of Cecil County makes his appearence and is charged with some misfeasance of his Dep^{ty} in his Office not executeing the Commands of the Com^{rs} of the County Court when they required him to take into his custody & secure the body of Swithen Wells and others disturbers of his L^{sp}s peace, by which meanes severall affronts and Indignities were throwne upon the said Com^{rs}

To which he pleads ignorance, that he was at that time sick and knew nothing of it, but had he himself been able to attend the Court those Insolencies should not have happened, and for further satisfaction saith that he is resolved (& accordingly