

ployed for some years past by some Merchants in Bristol to Lib. C. B.
sell and dispose of what Negroes they should consign to this
Remons^t and his Partners, and your Remonstrant being Naval
Officer of the Port and District af^d presumed he might reason-
ably expect any Advantage which might accrue to a Naval
Officer by the Entry of such ships and Negroes: And for that
purpose this Remonstrant took Care to lodge from time to
time with the Collector of North Patowmeck as with M^r Sewall p. 127
at the Mouth of Patuxent Directions or Orders to the Captains
of such Ships where to repair in order to enter their Vessels
& Cargoes

That agreeable to this Practice a Letter was left with M^r
Sewall directing Captⁿ Lovey (who was expected in a Ship
called the George with Slaves) to enter with the Collector and
this Remonstrants Deputy at North Patowmeck; That Captⁿ
Lovey upon his Arrival last from Africa with a Cargo of Slaves
consigned to this Remonstrant & Partners came to an Anchor
with his Ship off Cedar Point, and went on Shoar to M^r Sew-
alls house, where he found the Directions af^d and agreeable
thereto rode to the Collector of North Patowmeck, with whom
and this Remonstrants Deputy or Clerk Captain Lovey legally
entered his Ship and whole Number of Slaves and gave an
Import Bond for the Duties

That Lovey upon his Return carried his Ship without
Drum Point but in the Mouth of Patuxent and then went on
Shoar to the Collector there, to whom he shewed his Papers,
which certified his Entry with the Collect^r and Naval Officer
of Patowmeck, notwithstanding which the Collector of Patux-
ent insisted that Captⁿ Lovey should reenter his Ship and
Cargo with him, and that the Ship being within his District
the Entry at Patowmeck was void, and then asked for the
Register of the said Ship, which Captain Lovey delivered to
him, but the Collector of Patuxent refused to redeliver it; A
matter unpresidented, and the Detainer of which without the
Masters Consent no Officer can answer, and a Ship that went
home last Year the Owners are hurt by the Registers being
left behind

From thence he went to the Naval Officer of Patuxent who
told Lovey that as he had not been in Patowmeck or broke
Bulk, he ought to enter his Ship and Cargo with him, and
used threatning Words as that he would be aboard his Ship
&c. and therefore Lovey made a Reentry and sign'd an Import
Bond with the said Naval Officer, who detained his Plantation
Certificate; the just Right of your Remonstrant by the Act of
Navigation 12th Charles 2^d

This being a short State of the Transaction with Regard to p. 128
Loveys Entry this Remonstrant apprehends from the Conduct