

Letter of the 30th of Decemb. 1684: lately recd: from Mr. Lord Higham delivered to the L^{ts} of the Council and order to be entered upon Record in Council Book: viz

Perpetuall of 30th Decemb. 1684:

Higham
to
Council

Gentl:

I recd. yours of the 3rd instant, wherein I find that you lay great accusations to Cap^L M^r Diggitt; that he should endeavour to divert the Inhabitants of your Province from their due obedience to the Lord Baltimore their Lawfull Prop^r: as likewise that he should threaten many of the Inhabitants —

I am apt to believe as to the former you may be misinformed, for as you are to the latter, judging that he that shall for many years faithfully discharged his duty to his King, knows that w^{ch} belongs to Superior^s. I have acquainted him with what you have written on, and have desired him to give all due respect to your Government: in the circumstance he is in. As to what you intimate concerning S^{ir}ring of Shippes not qualified according to act of Parliament, what he saith by virtue of the Act undoubtedly belongs to his Maj^{ty}. — I shall take all care imaginable to keep a good correspondence and Unity with your Government. and to approve my self

To the Hon. Cap^L Thomas Taylor and the rest of Council of the Province of Maryland.

Gentl Your very humble Serv^{tt}
Higham

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Letter from Cap^L Thomas Allen of the 11th of Feb^r 1684 to the Hon^{ble} Cap^L W^m Diggitt together with Copy of S^r Diggitt answer returned thereunto d. v. to the L^{ts} of the Council to be recorded (viz)

Cap^L Allen
to
Diggitt

Hon^{ble} S^r:

I have fired on a Shipp called the Providence of Dial: that hath made a breach of some of the Kings Lawes and transgressed in your Province; for which am desirous to bring her to tryall in Maryland, If you please (agreeable to my Commission) to call a Court in the Kings name; I have writt to Mr. Blackston (a Justice businesse) to prosecute in his Maj^{ty} behalf, I Desire your speedy answer therunto that I may know what is to be done in this affaire by

Your humble Servant to Command
Thomas Allen

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