

which is fair is given by them, to prejudice his ^{Co} ⁽³⁰⁷⁾ Majesty's most high
a ~~order~~ measure, with the y^e so: undulful and impudent as
to do: it in any matter a half over.

But Mr. Blakiston takes care to signify that he doubts he
shall receive little Tobacco this year; and gives this as a reason,
that his L^{ty} Officers threaten the Masters of vessels that in case
they pay not the penny ^{of} penny duty to him, they shall be fined
and their vessels seized, and yet notwithstanding this Complaint
his L^{ty} is ready to make it appear, that the said Blakiston
had received some thousand pounds of Tobacco, even as for
he had writt that Letter and the same had paid away to his
Creditors who never had any hopes of being satisfied by him
unill he had obtained his Majesty's Com^{and}: this will be proved
if required; so: that Mr. Blakiston had no other way, this year
to make up his accounts with the Com^{and}: of his Majesty's Customs
but by pleading great obstructions from his L^{ty} Officers -

What Mr. Blakiston has mentioned concerning May Swall
is as untrue as the rest of his Letters for when the said Swall
had given him notice of several Irish vessels, he intended
to seize the said Blakiston neglected to assist him in it, and so:
the said Swall was forced to proceed without him, and afterwards
that those vessels were seized, the P. Blakiston assured Capt.
Allen to send boats and men to secure them, who finding his
L^{ty} Officers on board were disappointed, which gave great
trouble to them both, and is the cause of his writing that he was
prevented in the discharge of his Office. Some of the said
Vessels were condemned at a special Court and the rest
were likely to receive the same condemnation as his L^{ty} has
been informed, and a faithful account will be faithfully given by
his L^{ty} Officers to the Com^{and}: of his Majesty's Customs, and his L^{ty}
is assured they will be also ready and able to clear themselves in
all particulars, when they shall know and understand what Mr.
Blakiston has charged them with, for his L^{ty} does not doubt but it
will in the due appearance seeme prejudicial and ill will the said Blakiston
be able to answer his Officers, for their having directed some law
abused w^{ch} the P. Blakiston has been guilty off in his Office. And of
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