

Mr William Heyland being asked to give what notice he knew concerning the ill Designs & Practices of Mr. Goudie by Mr John Goudie Senr Mr Philip Clark & Mr Robert Mason & others their Associates & Abettors saith that he hath been often in their Company and that they had contrived several Villanous & Scandalous Articles against his Excellency Francis Nicholson Esq^r his Majesty's present Governor of this Province in which they had alledged that his Excellency had caused Mr Denton Clerk of the Council to be putt out of the way for that the said Mr Denton was a Material Evidence for his Majesty against him that his Excellency had promised Twenty pounds towards building a popish Chapel in the Port of Annapolis that his Excellency when he was in New England Emptied a Bottle of wine into a Chamber Cup & drunk it of & several other Scandalous Reflections then used & that upon their going to Wake and Trade of the Clause last mentioned some of the Company said that was too bold & did not think fit to have it inserted

Mr Heyland says that he hath seen Father Hurter & several of the Romanists very frequent at Mr Stys house as also one Mr Rowland whom he took to be a Jesuit but does verily believe him to be a great Jacobite

Mr Heyland says that Mr Good said Tho Tench Esq^r who is one of his Majesty's honorable Council did hold correspondence with him & always gave him an Account of what was done in Council until such time as the said Esq^r Tench was admitted to his Excellency's favour & so sit in Council

Then came the honorable Coll^o Henry Souters Chancellor