

Before his Excellency in Council upon his Oath says
 that about six weeks ago being in Company with Mr
 John Codd at Mr. Spurns House where he was forced
 by the said Codd to drink, he heard the said Codd among
 other Extraneous talk say that a Poy or a Cow or
 some such words as well as men, & being weary of such
 Company & for his horrible Curiosity and swearing he
 went his way & did not stay a Quarter of an hour in
 the town but that he left Mr. Borge, Mr. Banner
 Mr. Stanley and one Samuel Turner & Taylor in his
 Company

John Stanley being sworn says that he was
 in Company with Mr. Codd at the same time with
 Mr. Pittman & does remember the said words spoke by
 Mr. Codd which Mr. Pittman hath made oath to & that
 he had heard several other times in his Company &
 always heard him talk profusely & after a ranting
 sort of a manner

Maryland. The Sworn of our Sovereign Lord the King
 for the Body of this Province upon their Oaths do present
 John Codd late of St. Marys County Gent for that he the
 said John Codd the five & twentieth day of August in
 the year of our Lord 1696 & at diverse days & times be-
 fore & after at the port of Annapolis in An. An. & all
 County the love fear duty reverence & obedience which eve-
 ry Christian man towards almighty God & his Son Je-
 sus Christ our blessed Lord & Saviour ought to have, not
 minding or regarding but wholly withdrawing & being
 swayed with the instigation of the devil & of his own vain
 mind & out of the abundance of his wicked & perverse
 heart the Catholick faith greatly contemning these