

I received by your Government, every one much admiring
 Mr Good should appear so publicly in Virginia & not
 be secured if any detentions given or care taken therefor
 that I have sent your Excellency the opinion of his Majesty's
 Attorneys here upon several Propositions to them referred
 in relation to the aforesaid persons by all which your Ex.
 may see what ill designs they have on Foot against this
 his Majesty's Government & the apprehensions we have
 thereof; therefore with the advice of his Majesty's Honorable
 Council & the Assistance of three of the Justices of the
 Provincial Court within this Province I desire your Ex.
 cellency will be pleased immediately to give such Orders
 as you shall think necessary for the apprehending of Good
 Sly Mason Clark Cooksey & Sharpam if found within
 your Government; as for Mr Good he is an Inhabitant
 & seen publicly in Virginia every day therefore his way
 change he should not be secured & delivered up to us
 according to Law, for none of which, if this his Majesty's
 Government here, should sustain any damage, it will be
 laid to their charge who are the cause thereof, it is said
 Mr Sly is gone down to York river on pretence to look
 after some Business there, but those that know him best
 conceive no otherwise but that he will there employ
 himself as he did last year to forge Oracles & make distor-
 tions to amuse the people here & to invite them to Rebel.
 The said Sly is now under two Recognizances the one of
 40000 £ of Tobacco upon the Grand Jury's presentment
 against him & the other of one thousand pounds Sterl
 being taken by a warrant from the Honorable his Majesty's
 Council here for his appearance at the next Provincial
 Court which is to be held God willing the last Tuesday