

Calvert County of This Deposition of Tho: Ireland Esq. aged forty
years or thereabouts being first sworn on the
Holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth
as follows to the viz

ARCHIVES
OF THE STATE OF
MARYLAND.

That in y^e month of February last he was in company
with Mr. Samuel Harrison Clerk of the County Court
at a certain Mary Dasker's, at which occurrence & time
where the said Harrison made a Discourse about persons
under the British Government, being in an Arbitrary
and unlawfull manner, in particular that a certain
Capt. Cornish, had used a persons that was detained
about y^e Cape he (said) as a Non-combatant, the taking
or suffering his people, to take away all his wealth
and expressed him self in the following words, as near
as this Depoent can charge his Memory with,
that we complain of our Neighbour's being in a state
of Slavery, but by God he could not see so we
as a better, or where the Difference was, only this
if the King of France, wanted a sum of Money, and
knew his Subjects had it, he would command it from
them, and if the King of England wanted a sum of
Money, he would make his Parliament give it him,
& that was brag'd truly of our Great Freedom,
and further this Depoent saith not.

Tho: Ireland Esq.

The Above Deposition taken before me this 19th day of
January 1749 ——— David Arnold