guilty and for his tryall put himself upon God and his Country
and the said Thomas Hurford attorney Generall for the said Lord
Propry likewise the like Commanded the Sheriffe of St.
Maries County that he make to come twelve &c.
Now heere at this day to wittt the fourth day of October Anno Do-
mini 1685 came the said Thomas Hurford attorney Generall for the
said Lord Propry and the said John Edwards was set to the barr and
the Juroro Impannelled likewise called to wittt Randolph Brent
Charles Egerton Hamo Yorke Miregatt Miller Mathew Swinoth
Edward Turner John Caul Andrew Fuzley Justinian Tennison
Hamo Neale Andrew Abington Abraham Rhodes who being
sworne to say the truth in the premisses upon their oaths do say
that the said John Edwards is guilty of the indictment in manner
and forme aforesaid — Judgment whether &c. but till to morrow morning
on which said morrow viz the third day of October aforesaid the said
John Edwards was set to the barr being asked by the Court what he
had to say why Judgment of death should not pass against him &c.
he saith he hath nothing to say but desires the mercy of his honor
Upon which consideration by the Court here it is ordered that the said
John Edwards be taken hence to the place whence he came and
from thence to the place of execution and there be hanged by the
neck untill he be dead — Which afterwards was accordingly done.

Maryland ss.

The Juroro for the Right Hono: the Lord Propry of this province
upon their oaths do present Richard Royston late of Talbott County
planter for that he the said Richard Royston the Tenth day of June
in the yeare of our Lord 1685 at the house of one Richard Sadler in
of Talbott County maliciously contriving practising and attempting
to divert the fidelitie of the people from the said Lord Propry
to raise a mutiny & sedition in this province having a combination
with divers good people of this province of and concerning the
said Lord Propry and this province the said Richard Royston of
his owne mutinous and seditious mind & imaginacon falsly
& maliciously scoffingly and advisedly in the presence and hearing
of divers good people of this province the words following & signes
fraudulent mutinous and seditious words following then & there
did speake utter publish and declare (that is to say) That the Duke
of Munmouth (meaning the late Duke of Munmouth meaning) was by
in Armes in Scotland with forty thousand men and that the Duke of
Munmouth was proclaymed King of Scotland and Colo Talbot (the
honor Lord Talbot of Irelande) in this province (meaning
of Colo Darnall the Hono: Colo Henry Darnall of Talbott County in the
province meaning) were but for honour to England & that my
Lord (the Hono: the Lord Baron of Baltimore absolute Lord and
Propry of this province meaning) had lost this province (this province
of Maryland meaning) and that it was not like Maryland but the
Colony of Virginia &c. to the great disturbance of the peace to the ill
Example of the like of assembly in that case made & provided &c.
Hurford Attorney Generall

On the back side of the Indictment was endorsed by the
Grand Jurymen — Billa Vera —
Upon which presentment the said Richard Royston was indicted upon
the indictment arraigned and upon his arraignment pleaded not
guilty and for his tryall put himself upon God and his Country —
Whereupon Mandamus is given to the Sheriffe of St. Maries County that
he range to round in twelve &c.
Now heere at this day to wittt the third day of October 1685 came
the said Thomas Hurford Attorney Generall for the said Lord Propry and
the said Richard Royston came to the barr and the Juroro Impannelled
being called likewise came to wittt Randolph Brent Charles Egerton
Hamo Yorke Miregatt Miller Mathew Swinoth Edward Turner John Caul
Andrew Fuzley Justinian Tennison Hamo Neale
Abington Abraham Rhodes who being sworne
to say the truth in the premisses upon their oaths do say that
they find the said Richard Royston guilty of speaking of the words
or rendering of the same but whether out of a malicious mutinous
or seditious minde they know not to the Judgment of the Court —
whereupon Judgment is respited untill the Court further advise
thereupon the premisses —
Afterwards to wittt the fifth day of October aforesaid came Thomas
Hurford for the said Lord Propry and the said Richard Royston was
again set to the barr and the Court having well advised thereupon
of and upon the premisses It is the opinion of the Court here that
the said Richard Royston did not speake the words in the indictment
with a malicious mutinous or seditious minde — Nevertheless
it is ordered by the Court that the said Richard Royston give security
to appeare the next provinciall Court and be of good abbearance in
the meane time —
Then came the said Richard Royston with Charles Egerton of St. Maries
County and Hamo Kingold of Kent County and the said Richard Royston
bound bound to the Right Hono: the Lord Propry in the summe of fifty
pounds sterling and the said Charles Egerton and Hamo Kingold in the
summe of twenty five pounds sterling a peece to be levyed on their
goods chattells & lands to condition that if the said Richard Royston
the said Richard Royston shall not appeare at the next provinciall
Court to be held at the City of St. Maries and be of good abbearance in
the meane time towards his Lordship and all the good people of
this province —

The Jury

At a provinciall Court held at the City of St. Maries
the fourth & twentieth day of February in the eleventh
yeare of the Dominion of the Right Hono: Charles Lord
Baron of Baltimore &c. Anno Dni 1685 and the
continued until the sixth day of March following, at which
said Court & twentieth day of February were present
Thomas Guitter Esqr
Wittut Lowe Esqr
Henry Darnall Esqr
William Diggs Esqr
William Burgess Esqr
Nicholas Sewall Esqr
} Justices