of ye mat: most royall father of blessed memory
King James and others of ye most noble &
Predecessors kings and Queenes of this Realme
Allwayes and from time to time have payd and
ought to pay certayne moderate duties, upon and
for the goods and marchandizes exported and imported
by them, out of and into this Realme for and
towards the support of theire mat: great and daily
charges, for the publique defence of this Realme
and preservation of the peace thereof, and for the
magnificence of theire Regall dignity, And
wherefore the raising and publishing of all vnduly
and false reports, tales, news and rumors, wch
may any wayes tend to the dishonor of ye Kg: ma:
or the State or to the discouragement or
discontentment of ye good Subiects or to sett debate
or variance betweene ye mat: and ye good people
are offences of a dangerous consequence, and
by the lawes and Statutes of this Realme are
both prohibited and condemned vnder greeuous
penalties and punishments, Yet soe it is
it pleased ye most excellent mat: that
Richard Chambers of London marchant, and one
of the Society of the Marchants trading for
the Levant vpon the Eight and Twentieth day
of

of September last past being amongst some
other marchants called to the Counsell Board
at Hampton Court in the County of middl:
before the Right Hono: the Lords and others
of his mat: most Ho: Priuy Counsell about
some things wch were complained of against
the said Richard Chambers and some other
marchants, wherein it was considered that the
said Richard Chambers and some others of
Confederacy had very vnduly, and in a riotous
manner behaved themselves; And the Lords of
ye mat: Counsell gravely admonishing the
said Richard Chambers of his misarriage
and speaking of the gracious vsage of his
Mat: to the marchants, Yet the said Richard
Chambers then and there in the presence
and hearing of the Lords and others of ye
mat: said Priuy Counsell for the sitting
in Counsell and in the hearing of others
then present, did vnto the Lords and others
of ye Priuy Counsell most vnduteifully, maliciously
seditiously falsely, and in a contemptuous
rude and vnreuerend manner speake and
vtter these scandalous malicious and false
words following, Yet (speaking of the merchants