familie And further the defendt humbly
shewete that the Pretended Messenger fower
dayes after the defendts imprisonm^t entrd
the defendants howse as he is informed
wth a multitude of slaves and Willes being
suggested that the defendt was a Jesuite
and then and there the said Messengers
by their rude and barbarous dealinge
extreedinglie affrighted the defendts wife
and Children, breakinge up also locke
fast the gates, as presses and Chests, notwithstandinge
that all diligence was used for openinge
of them, yea they toare up the boards of
the howse, and broake downe the doore
from the lieds, yea one of them threatned
a yonge Child by holdinge a charge pistoll
to his brest, since wth tyme the Child cate
never liked, and thus they spoyled and
carried away what they listed. After
all this the defendant was served w^th
a subp^na and Informaton laid agst him
in his Maties high Court of Starrechamber
wherat the defendt appeared wth his Counsell
desiringe knowinge to have as he conceaved
to have libertie upon pettinge in of his exceptions
to bee at the hearinge, but he was, and

is still denyed it, by all wth extreame rumbl
the defendant and his greate charge is
like to bee utterlie undone, having not
means nor imployment wherby to maintaine
them, wherefore the defendant humblie
intreatethe the honoble Court to take into
favorable Consideraton his distressed state,
and extreame usage, wth together wth his
good intentions made happilie move the
honoble Court to commiseration and to
think the punishm^t alreadie inflicted to
bee sufficient for his ill doinge, and also
to dismisse the said defendant to the
safeguard of his familie from utter ruyne