

U. H. J. His Excellency refers it to the House to do therein as they think fit.

p. 663 Brought and presented to the Board by Mr Jones these following Bills viz<sup>t</sup>

An Act for taking away all Errors in proceedings at Law and Equity and in the Court for Probate of wills occasioned by the late Revolution Passed the House and this Board also

An Act for settling the Naval Officers fees within this province passed & Subscribed

June the 6<sup>th</sup> 1692

The House of Assembly have Assented

Sign'd p Order

Henry Denton Clk Ass<sup>t</sup>

To his Excellency the Captain General &c.

The humble petition of Edward Gold

Humbly Sheweth

In all Humbleness Complaining sheweth that whereas your Petitioner happening to meet with one Winlock Christison formerly dec'd of Maryland in Barbadoes and having a mind to Come for this Country the said Winlock told your petitioner if he had a mind to go he would pay for his passage upon Consideration of serving four or five years which your petitioner did justly serve and fulfil to his utmost of his Endeavours whereupon he demanded his Liberty but could not get it and being sold from one to another ever since being 20 years could have no redress all which enforceth your Petitioner humbly to supplicate your Excellency herein to be relieved

The Premises tenderly Considered and for that your Petitioner being According to the Church of England and Baptism thereof twice Christened and besides can make it evidently appear that he hath been these twenty years wrongfully kept and detained from his Liberty as a Servant would humbly entreat your Excellency to be so Pleased out of your wanted and noble Clemency to Commiserate your poor distressed petitioners Condition that he may be set at Liberty from his long and unlawful Slavery which Granted your Petitioner shall ever have Cause to pray &c.

The Petitioner also did alledge that Major Sewall and one John Hamilton and John Sumers could testify on his behalf in relation to what is set forth in the petition

Ordered that Summons issue for them to give in their Evidence at next Calvert County Court which was the Answer of this Board to the petition at present viz<sup>t</sup>