

hath been pleased to express in his Letter the same shall in all Liber K.  
Points be duely complied with, and all dutiful Obedience  
thereunto readily yielded: It is also granted that his Lord-  
ships two houses & Plantations of Mattapony and Notley Hall  
be delivered into the Custody and Possession of Col Darnal  
for his Lordships Use, and that he be permitted quietly and  
peaceably to collect the Moiety of the Two Shillings p<sup>r</sup> hh<sup>d</sup>  
Impost, and the 14<sup>d</sup> p<sup>r</sup> Ton Port Duties, according to his Maj-  
estys Directions and the Order of the Committee of this Prov-  
ince thereupon passed; that for the fines forfeitures and  
Amerciaments Waifs Strays &c, it seeming to this Board that  
the same were given and did belong to his Lordships Quatenus  
Governor for the Support of Government only, and not as  
Lord of the Soil, this Board think not fit to answer the Request  
of the Petitioner in that Point, but referr the same wholly to  
the Consideration of next Assembly: And as to his Complaint  
concerning his Negro Woman set free by the County Court  
of S<sup>t</sup> Marys County, the same having passed the Judicial Cog-  
nizance and Censure of the said Court, this Board does not  
think it proper to intermeddle therewith, but leave him to his  
Remedy at Law if he have been aggrieved: Lastly as to his  
Request to his Excell<sup>v</sup> concerning his Bonds passed for the  
good Behaviour, and his forthcoming to answer, what shall be  
objected against him, when required, the same is thought fit  
to be continued, until such time as he shall be thereunto called

A Petition preferred to his Excellency by Major Nicholas  
Sewall as follows Viz<sup>t</sup>

To His Excellency the Captain General

The humble Petition of Nicholas Sewall

Most humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner by his long Absence from his habitation  
hath much suffered in his Estate, and since his Arrival here  
hath found his Concerns both at home and abroad in much  
Disorder and Confusion, which by Reason of his present Con- p. 9  
finem<sup>t</sup> he is utterly incapable of reducing to any better Order  
or Method, and hath no Other Prospect than perfect Ruin,  
unless relieved by your Excellencys Grace and Favor towards  
him, in extending the Arms of your Mercy, and admitting him  
to such Bail as Your Excellency shall think fit to require,  
which he is most ready to produce, as also for his future good  
Abearance and Comportment under the Liberty Your Excel-  
lency shall vouchsafe to afford him, and with such restrictions  
and Limitations, as You shall please to direct, so that he may  
be in any Measure enabled to look after and take Care of such  
Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow on him for the neces-  
sary Support and Maintenance of himself his Wife and Family,