and in the mean time he will (as well as if the Peace were U. H. J. already really ratifyed) keep Amity with them and expects they should do the like which they likewise promise to do and produce their former Articles which were read Openly and it is mutually agreed on both sides that the same in every particular shall be inviolably kept and Observed until such times as they shall have elected and Confirmed their Emperor and then they are to Apply themselves to Col° Hutchins who will Accompany them and their Emperor with the several Kings and Great men so many as may be Convenient to come over to his Excellency in Order to Conclude and sign new Articles to be drawn and signed by all Parties.

Captain Joseph Stevins Commander of the Ship Ruth of London petitions his Excellency that whereas his two Servants John Cornele and Ann Child als Cornelicus his wife were lately by the Justices of Saint Marys County Court set free without hearing the petitioner what he had to say in his defence why they ought not to have their Freedom) he might be admitted to state his Case and have a hearing before this

Board and Justice accordingly done him.

His Excellency is pleased to Grant that the Petitioner be admitted to a hearing of the whole matter before the Justices of the Provincial Court and the witnesses on both sides to be

examined therein that right and Justice be done

Mary Peters a Servant or Slave in Possession of M^r Carberry petitions the Governor setting forth that through the Illusion and Instigation of her late Master and Mistress she had married with a Christian Negro was drawn into Slavery altho she had really served above eight years more than the time she came in for prays for her Manumission

The Consideration thereof referred to further time to peruse the Law in that Case made relating to Negroes and Slaves

whether she can have any benefit thereby.

The Act for securing the right of several Persons read here the Second time and passed it together with the two foregoing Acts that relating to Servants and Slaves and the other against Divulgers of false news with the Opinion of the Board thereon sent to the House by M^r Brook and Captain Courts.

M' William Josephs petition for allowance for a Horse & p. 651 some Arms taken from him upon the late Revolution whilst himself was sick at Mattapany as also for Transcribing 30 Copies of his proposalls to the House of Assembly the last Sessions of Assembly under the late Government at request of that Lower House

Answer to the said petition thus subscribed