

Ordered that the said Lynch come and answer the premises

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He appeares and the complaint of the pet^r Read unto him in presence of the Complainant

To w^{ch} the said Lynch (being thereunto required) made answer and alledged that he had severall good reasons to urge why he cannot discharge the Pet^r such as the deteining of his goods or Imbezelling them, disobedience and breach of ord^{rs} which he is able to make appeare in time and place convenient; and moreover that the said Estes hath already sought his redress by other waies (as makeing protest against him) if he hath been any waies injured And therefore he refuses to give any further satisfaction to the claime of the pet^r

Which this board, having noe other meanes but arguments and pswasion to induce him to, think not fitt to concerne themselves further therewith, and therefore dismiss the same.

Memdū Came Cap^t John Estes Command^r of the Shipp Providence of Deale who being sworne and Examined Saith. That he gave unto M^r Nehemiah Blackiston for a gratuity the summe of Tenn pounds sterling to lett him have his liberty of goeing away with his shipp from Virginia wthout further trouble or prosecution, he haveing been seized by Captⁿ Allen, and carried thither for his tryall: ffor which the said Blackiston as the Kings Collecto^r there did accept off his the said Estes

bond to stand tryall in England, and the aboves^d summe of Tenn pounds sterl for a gratuity for the same, ffor which the s^d Estes passed his bills of exchange to reimburse Cap^t Thomas Smith who paid for him the money

The hon^{ble} Coll Digges acquaints the board that he heard Cap^t Thomas Smith say that he paid M^r Blackiston Tenn pounds sterl for Cap^t Estes for some business in Virginia, but for what, the said Smith refused to tell.

To the hon^{ble} his L^{sp}s Councill in Councill sitting &c^a

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The humble Petition of Abraham Gale of Sommersett County

Sheweth

That your Pet^r by his humble petition preferred to your Hono^{rs} in March last did sett forth that One Henry Staples of Kent County had unjustly deteined in his custody your Pet^{rs} wife and two Children under the Quality of customary Servants: And your Hono^{rs} upon mature deliberation were graciously pleased to referr your Pet^r for redress to Talbott County Court; At which s^d Court the Com^{rs} were pleased to