

that your Petitioners may not be unjustly deprived of the Sacred Rites and Priviledges of the Gospel of Jesus Christ but may have free access thereto at the discretion of the Reverend Nathaniel Whiteker Rector of the said Parish Acting as becometh his Function in due Subjection to the Canons and Constitutions of the Church of England in that behalf Lawfully Established and Promulged. Lib. C. B.

And Your Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever Pray &c^a
August 31st 1748.

Signed by Thomas Lambden & forty Nine more.

Upon reading the said Petition This Board is of Opinion that They have no Authority to use any compulsive Means, but that the Petitioners Remedy is at Law.

At a Council held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday the 14th Day of June in the 35th year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Dni 1749

Present

His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor

The hoñble	{	Benjamin Tasker Esq ^r	}	Philip Thomas Esq ^r
		Col George Plater		Daniel Dulany Esq ^r
		Col Charles Hammond		Richard Lee Esq ^r
		Sam ^l Chamberlaine Esq ^r		

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter received from the Governor of Virginia.

Williamsburgh 25 May 1749

Sir

I thought my self indispensibly obliged to give you the most Speedy Information of a Piece of Villainy lately Committed and to Request the favour of you to exert your Authority towards apprehending the Offender if in your Government that he may be Proceeded against according to Law, and Receive the Punishment due to his Iniquity p. 371

A Vessel from the Isle of May bound to your Province calling at Hampton in her Passage up the Bay, the Commander of our Station Ship Captain Maisteron dispatched his Boat to enquire what news, and get some hands out of her, His Crew no sooner was on Deck than most of the Sailors entered Voluntarily into his Majestys Service and the Boat returning with them to the Man of War they immediately desired Captain Maisteron to demand their Wages of their former Master who they said was a Rogue for he had then in his Ship