

The Worth Courts of Somerset County.

or Petitioners humbly sheweth, That whereas we the several persons that are the subscribers do dwell
 & live near and some farther off from the Indian Town, and are very much damaged by the Indian
 Roges and hogs and other Cattle being daily killed and destroyed by them, not only in their Cowards
 but also out of it, and not only when their Cows is on the ground but at all times when they find their
 to be fatt, and we likewise understand that they have a Law amongst them that if any Indian shall
 or another Indians killing of hogs he shall dye for it, so that we find them to be all hog stealers
 in Law, that is all consent to it. So that we your petitioners having great cause to make complaint for
 the damages as we daily sustain by the loss of our hogs and other cattle, which we do not only suspect
 & prove by some of them coming home with arrows in their sides, we therefore coming to this damage
 & fit to address our selves to your worshipps for redress that so we may enjoy our stocks in peace and
 and they are a broken people may be confined to their lands, so hoping you will be pleased
 & it into your private consideration, as in duty bound we shall ever pray. Henry Hall. Alexander
 Hough. Stouffon. William. Shamblain. John. Smart. Abraham. Sumner. Adam. Spence. Francis. Joynt
 in Nelson. George. Trust. Christopher. Rowles. Henry. Morgan. Edward. Hutton. John. Hannon. John.
 John. Geddin. Thomas. Morris. John. Parker. Elias. Olman. Nicholas. Cornwall. Matt. Starbrough. h.
 Webb. Thomas. Edwards. Aaron. Bishop. William. Round. Thomas. Lucas. Richard. Wharton. Sam.
 William. Round. Affradosi. John. Miller. Richard. Hill. William
 Thomas. Boynter. John. Foster. Edmund. Gyles.

At the above said Petition being read. The Court requested the Petitioners viz m.
 William Round and others to shew what they desired for some longer time or

at County under the Corth their Ma^{ties} Justices of the Peace in Court sitting.
 The humble petition of Edmund Beauchamps Clerk to y^e Court. humbly sheweth
 that your Petition being very laudable, the Records kept at Cap Colborns finding great inconvenience
 at such distance from my assistants humbly desired Order to remove the Records to m^{rs} Ju. West
 in duty bound shall pray &c. Edmund. Beauchamps.

Where above said Petition was at that time denied, but after granted:

to their Ma^{ties} Justices of the Peace of the County Somerset.
 The humble petition of John Lyne a poor Breant
 humbly sheweth unto your worshipps that your poor petition was spirited out of his Native Country unknown
 of his friends and shipped a Board for this Country as a servant for four years as then appeared by
 writ, which Judgment was by some deceitfull means or other taken from your petitioners & your
 or was judged five months after coming to serve as servant seven years of which time your petitioners
 faithfully served four years and humbly desired he is to serve no longer by reason of his Infirmities.
 it time, though lost yet your petitioners shipp maled. was alive which can prove the same. May it
 or please your worshipps to call before you, your petitioners. Whithersoever he desires the truth that your
 or may be fixed and as in duty bound your petitioners. Good pray &c.

The Court having considered the premises no Judgment appearing nor could be proved by
 any Evidence. The Court have Ordered the above said Petitioners. John Lyne to serve
 out his time according to former Judgment passed in Court.