

Coll^o Charles Minton }
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The petition of Thomas Clarke, Richard Byers, William Baker, Edward Madam, John Bellant, Robert Davis, John Davis, Paul Ruffel & Samuel Buttens Seamen belonging to the s^hip of London whereof Capt^l Nicholas Humphreys is Commander Complainyng that they were shipped at Portsmouth for this Countrey & back again and that the said Capt^l Humphreys besides maintaining them in their provisions threatens to pay them with a dram of the Bottle & that if it cost him five hundred pounds.....they shall not have any Wages at their Return & praying Relief thereon

The said Petition was read & duly considered & the s^hip & the said Capt^l Humphreys & their Arguments Allegations & proofs on both sides being fully heard & nothing appearing to satisfy or make good their complaint in the Petition set forth but rather on the contrary the said Capt^l Humphreys offering at this Board to pay their Wages duly on performance of their Duty & affirming that they had full Allowance of provisions &c^o

Ordered that the said Petitioners return to the said s^hip & perform their duty for which they are shipped & Engaged

March the 19th 1698

The Council againe late & were Present

His Excellency Sir Nicholas Baskinett Capt^l Gen^l

the Honble } Coll^o Henry Lovell } Thomas Tench Esq^r
} Coll^o Geo Robotham } Col^o John Addison
} Coll^o Charles Minton } James Finby Esq^r