

Mr. Watkins Attorney for Mr. Hopkins alleges and informs the Board, that Mr. Robert Gould who was originally retained by the said Hopkins and who had all his papers in his hands was gone abroad, upon promise, that as he would not come to a hearing the expenses as both he and the said Watkins were advised from the Speaker of the house that it could not be, and that upon the Comptroller's behalf Mr. Hopkins also who waited here great part of the Session was gone home, that he the said Watkins was not sufficiently informed of the matter, neither can the papers relating thereto be procured, wherefore he prays a Reference till next Session of Assembly for hearing the said record, time given till Saturday next the 5th of June for both parties to provide themselves, and then promptly to come to hearing and arguing the errors aforesaid.

To his Excellency Lyndall Copley Esq: Genl: Governor of Maryland

The Humble Petition of Henry Barnett

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That your petitioner by an Order of the Assembly now sitting was Summons to appear before the same, and there to produce the Books of Entries of Ships supposed to be in his custody, he having been Naval Officer in this Province before the late Revolution, that in obedience thereto he appeared and told the Gentl: of the said Assembly that he did not know (as in reality he does not) whether the said Books been handed over or not and further and that if they were he did not think it safe for him to deliver the same to you, whereof as much as he is but a servant to the right Honourable the Lord Baltimore unto whom as your Petitioner concurred the said Books do belong and who as your Petitioner believes would look upon it as a Breach of his trust if your Petitioner to part with the same without disorder that the Gentlemen of the family looked upon this mode of yours of your Petitioner to be a Contempt and therupon ordered that he should be taken into Custody to the Great detriment of both his Masters and his own affaires, your petitioner humbly conceives, contrary to the sense of his Majestys Protection to your petitioner granted, and Under the Management of his Master concurred in the said Protection, therefore your petitioner humbly prays that your Excellency will please to take such means with the said Gentlemen of the family that your Excellency shall see most convenient and proper to procure your Petitioners Entanglement that thereby he may enjoy the benefit of his Majestys Protection and mind the concurrence of his Master in whose favour the said protection was granted

and your petitioner will pray -