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The names of this Board subscribed as follows viz

By his Excellency the Governor and Council
May 31 1692

The petition being a private one committed by the House of Assembly upon their own authority and for reasons best known to themselves this Board thinks not fit to interfere with the same but refer them to his Application to the House who have the proper cognizance thereof they having likewise reported the modest manner of the petitioners petition. Hence it from what he hath represented to be

Signed for Order

J Hewellin Clerk

Adjourn till tomorrow 10 a Clock

May 31 1692 Main Council Chamber viz

His Excellency the Governor

The honorable	Col Blakiston	Col Brown	} Present
	Col Jorles	Mr Tench	
	Col Ketchum	Capt Addison	
	Col Greenberry	Capt Counts	
	Col Hutchins	Mr Brooks	

The Act relating to Servants and Slaves read and Indorsed May 31 1692 read here the first time and passed

The Act against Divulgers of false news read and the Opinion of the Board thereon intimated in writing as follows viz

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May 31 1692

The penalties imposed for the Breach of this Act the Board think too slight and mean and know no Reason why the same are should not be taken to preserve the Authority and respect due to their Majestys Governour and their respective Officers and Ministers of Justice here as in Virginia and other neighbouring Colonies who have thought fit to enforce the same by a far greater penalty then was proposed by this Board and therefore they desire the House to consider thereof and provide accordingly in every particular as hath been urged by this Board from whence they cannot safely and Honourably recede

Signed for Order

John Hewellin Clerk

Several of the Great men Indians of Mankawbe were in audience are called in demanded of them what they intended and when they design to make choice of their Emperors now about their own