

Nanduckkid February 10<sup>th</sup> 1745/6

heare is another Drouble we poor Indians meet with In all our places at nandukkid of those Einglish men we are much Droubled for what they do we se what they do and we know it is not Good - they go out the Town to go to the Indions Towns on the Sabbath day to look for there men or wedows we to not say they all do so but sum of the Greate men ~ and on the Spring year and all the fishing seasoness they go out there Towns to cut up the whales on the sabbath day and also wash out there fish and lay im out to be dry this they often do on the sabbath day and if there sheep die they will go and skin them on the sabbath day and we poor Indions In all our places are much at last of what Einglish do In our Towns and this is the Reason that there is nomore people come to our meetings on the Sabbath days if masters of these Indions have nothing for them to do on the Sabbath days then these Indions Rather then go to se there friences on the Sabbath days then to come to meeting that day ~ 2<sup>d</sup> reason we poor Indions Remember when mr John Gerner and <sup>mr</sup> James coben and <sup>mr</sup> Eben coben ware living Indions did not do so In their days because those three Justeses let us have Indion Justeses In our Towns so when Indions did anything it was unlawfull we punish them for what they do for these Justeses is Now will not let us no Indion Justeses nowhere In all our Towns and now we can not punish one anather for our unlawfull deds

In Council; Mar. 5. 1746; Whereas this with two other Papers relating to the Indians of Nantucket bearing Date the 10.<sup>th</sup> of Febry. Cafe Containing Complaints of their Grievances were delivered to the Secretary to be laid before this Court;

Ordered that Francis Foxcraft, Ebenezer Burrill & Joseph Wilder Esq<sup>rs</sup> with such as the Hon.<sup>ble</sup> Houfe shall join be a Committee to confider ~~what~~ & report what they judge proper for this Court to do thereon. Sent down for Concurrence  
J Willard Sec<sup>ry</sup>

In the House of Rep<sup>ves</sup> March 6. 1746  
Read and Concurd and Maj<sup>r</sup> Cushing M<sup>r</sup>  
Powell Col<sup>o</sup> Heath and M<sup>r</sup> Hall are  
Joyned in the affair.

T Hutchinson Spkr

Purfuant to the fore going Order, The Committee have attended the Service before mentioned and are of Opinion that some suitable Person <sup>or Persons</sup> be appointed ~~be appointed~~ to repair to Nantucket and inquire into the Matters of Grievance and report a true State thereof to this Court at the next May Sefsion. which is humbly Submitted  
Boston March 7<sup>th</sup> 7. 1746 Eben<sup>r</sup> Burrill p ord<sup>r</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> Com.<sup>rs</sup>

[verso:

In Council March. 7. 1746. Read & Ordered that the Report be accepted & that Joseph Wilder Esq.<sup>r</sup> with such as the Hon.<sup>ble</sup> House shall join be a Committee for the Purpose within mentioned, & that the Committee be thereby are impowered to fend for such Persons & Papers as they shall judge

necessary in order to gain Light in the Affair

Sent down for Concurrence

J Willard. Secry

In the House of Rep<sup>ves</sup> March 7. 1746

Read and Concur'd and Col<sup>o</sup> Richards

Joyned in the Affair

T Hutchinson Spkr

Consented to

In Council March 10 1746 Ordered that m<sup>r</sup> Tho.<sup>s</sup> Fofter be of the Committee  
for the purpose before mention'd, in the room of Joseph Wilder Esq.<sup>r</sup>, who hath declin'd that Service

Sent down for Concurrence

J Willard Secry.

In the House of Rep<sup>ves</sup> March .10. 1746

Read and Concur'd

T Hutchinson Spkr

Consented to W Shirley

In Council Aug.<sup>t</sup> 15: 1747 Read again with the answer  
of the Sherburn Select Men, & Ordered that Sam.<sup>l</sup>  
Watts, Ezekiel Cheever & James Minot Esq.<sup>rs</sup> with fuch  
as the hon.<sup>ble</sup> House fhall join be a Com<sup>tee</sup> to hear  
the Parties now attending, & report what they  
judge proper for this Court to do thereon

Sent down for Concurrence

J Willard Secry

In the House of Rep<sup>ves</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 18 1747

Read and Concurd and Maj White M<sup>r</sup> Rice

M<sup>r</sup> Miller and Cap Wilder are

Joyned in the Affair

T Hutchinson Spkr

Nantucket Indians  
Petition

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