



Richard Newell - Merchant of Barnstaple 1727

? Feb. 1726	Merchants of Bideford and Barnstaples trading to Placentia	Lords	[Enclosed with above] Representation against Gledhill who discourages all "substantial and sober" planters from settling there. He should not meddle in the trade. All names here provided: Edmond Strange, George Phillips, William Hartnoll, Thomas Blake, John Comynas, William Chappell, John Strange, William Babbidge, J. Shapton, Thomas Verman, J. Power, Alex Hooper, J. Brooks, C. Bennett, W. Yeo, Sam Chappell, W. Brooks, David Baker, C. Chappell, B. Shapton, Walter Tucker, Cha. Velly, Nich. Cooke, Richard Newell, Geo. Slee?, J. Benson, T. Smith J. Parminter, Robert Tristram, Edward Smith, Robert Stafford, Henry Servant, Cha. Davie, S. Berry, N. Ennys.
28 Nov. 1728	Richard Newell, Mayor	Lords of Trade	Similar petition against Gledhill. Signed by: Rich Parminter, J. Christmas, B. Baller, S. Berry, Walter Tucker, Charles Velly, J. Webber, G. Wiskey.

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Barnstable.

487. Mayor and principal inhabitants of Barnstaple to the Council of Trade and Plantations.

Hearing that the affair of the Newfoundland Fishery is now under your Lordships' consideration, repeat complaints against Lt. Govr. Gledhill and refer to their petition to the King. v. C.S.P. Feb. 25th, 1727.

Continue :—By the methods there indicated, and by destroying houses at Placentia or forcing persons to leave them and placing some of his own garrison in their room, we who formerly vended a considerable quantity of woollen goods etc. are now obliged to sell them to the Governor at what time and rate he pleases etc. Contrary to the Act of Wm. III. which prohibits any aliens or strangers, not residing within Great Britain, from fishing or trading to any part of Newfoundland, the Irish not only send ships thither, but also boatkeepers who go from Ireland and settle there, so that considering the cheapness of their provisions, and the small wages they give the sailors, must soon if not prevented intirely ruin our trade, our sailors having already advanc'd their wages to almost double what was paid them but very few years since. The Governour, Mr. Salmon, and some other persons have within these three or four years last past, built several ships, one this summer upwards of an hundred tunn, which if continued for the space of some years, will deprive us of proper trees to build our boates, and erect our stages and other conveniencies with, or will oblige us to send so far into the country, as that by the loss of our men's time our voyages will be intirely ruined. Considering how beneficial the trade of Newfoundland is as a nursery for seamen, employing great numbers of poor people, and importing products of this country etc., pray that these greivances may be redressed etc.

Signed, Richard Newell, Mayor, and 9 others. Endorsed, Read 19th Dec, 1728. 1 ³/₄ large pp. Enclosed, From: 'America and West Indies: November 1728, 16-30', Calendar of State Papers Colonial, America and West Indies, Volume 36: 1728-1729 (1937), pp. 242-257. URL: <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=72459>

Same Guy????

PACKET 29:: Lease and declaration of trust of John Hobbs, Merchant, Richard Newell

Chancery: Master Brougham's Exhibits. PACKET 29:: Lease and declaration of trust of John Hobbs, merchant, Richard Newell, mariner, and Honor Batchellor, spinster, to Joseph Jones, sailmaker, all of Bristol, relating to land in ?Bath. damaged.

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- o Date range: 01 January 1730 - 31 December 1730
- o Reference: C 111/189
- o Subjects: Litigation, Trade and commerce