

The said Petition is referred to his Majestys Atty Gen<sup>l</sup> to Lib. X.  
make due Prosecution & to see that Iustice be done therein

Major William Barton having very well behaved himself &  
Shewed his Loyalty & Affection to his Majesty he is recom-  
mended to be Commissionated Sheriff of Prince Georges  
County upon the expiration of M<sup>r</sup> Tho Greenfields Sheriff-  
aldry

November the 11<sup>th</sup> 1698

The honble his Majestys Council sate present as Yesterday

M<sup>r</sup> Charles Carrol Council at Law of his Lordship the p. 185  
Lord Baltimore Lord Proprietary of this his Majestys Province  
of Maryland being sent for appeared before the Board &  
his Excellency tells him that he understands that he hath  
given out that the house of Iohn Perry lately dec'd is  
escheated asks him how his Lordships Agents here pretend  
to turn People off of their Lands & sell them as Escheated  
without an office found & Commands him to produce him an  
Authentick copy of his Lordships Charter M<sup>r</sup> Carol Says he  
has no such Copy of his Lordships Charter but believes there  
are several of them in the Province he is Commanded to  
produce one with all Convenient speed

Then read the petition of Philip & Samuel Norwood Com-  
plaining that the Lord Baltimores Agents had turned his  
Tenant out of a certain Tract of Land & kept the same  
against him pretending the same is Escheated altho no Office  
found

Whereupon ordered that Colonel Henry Darnal attend the  
Board & give his answer to the said Complaint

Col<sup>o</sup> Darnal & M<sup>r</sup> Carrol appear at the Board the said  
Petition being read is as followeth viz<sup>t</sup>

To his Excellency Fra Nicholson Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> & Gov<sup>r</sup>  
of Maryland in Council

The humble Petition of Philip Norwood & Samuel Nor-  
wood of Ann Arundel County Planters humbly sheweth

That your Petitioners being in Possession of a piece of  
Land in Ann Arundel County called Batchelors hope & one  
other Piece of Land adjoining to the same called Chance  
containing in the whole about 240 Acres Which your Peti-  
tioners purchased of one Will<sup>m</sup> Peck of the same County in  
Fee Simple but so it is that the Agents of the right honble  
the Lord Proprietary of this Province pretending that the  
said Lands are Escheated to his said Lordship have entred  
into the said Lands & the Tenements thereon standing &  
keeps the same against your Petitioners altho your Peti-  
tioners had a Tenant in possession of the premises on