

Liber A This Bill of Charges being read, It was Ordered thereuppⁿ as followeth viz:

It is Ordered by the authority of this p^{re}sent Assembly that the Governor shall issue out Writts to the Sheriff of S^t Maries County to su^mon two Inhabitants out of every hundred to bee chosen by the hundred to meete together at some time and place to bee appointed by the Governor in October next and make Assessment on all the Inhabitants of each hundred of the charge that shalbe incurred this p^{re}sent yeare. The Order for the Leavy passed by all but M^r Greene.

A Letter was read to bee sent to his Lo^{pp} and signed by the whole house p^{re}sent.

Liber M C A Letter sent to his Lordship from the Assembly held at
P. 341 Saint Marys in April Anno Dni 1649

Right hoⁿble

Great and many have been the miseries calamities and other Sufferings which your Poor distressed People Inhabitants of this Province have sustained and undergone here since the beginning of that Heinous Rebellion first put in Practice by that Pirate Ingle and afterwards almost for two years continued by his Complices and Confederates in which time most of your Lordships Loyal friends here were spoiled of their whole Estate and sent away as banished persons out of the Province those few that remained were plundered and deprived in a manner of all Livelyhood and subsistance only Breathing under that intollerable Yoke which they were forced to bear under those Rebels which then assumed the Gov^t of your Lordships Province unto themselves ever endeavouring by Oaths and what other inventions and Practices they might to withdraw the Ears and Affections of the Inhabitants here from their wonted Obedience to your Lordship and to assure themselves of the Province so wrongfully taken and unjustly Possessed by them which our sufferings we hope your hon^r apprehends and is sensible and which tho they were ever Violent even like a Tempest for the time yet now (thanks be to God all is past and Calm and the whole Province in perfect Subjection again under your lawful Government and Authority during all which time your Honour cannot be ignorant what pains and travell your Friends under-
P. 342 went in aiding your dear Brother for the subduing of those Rebels and after again in conserving the Prov^e for your Lordship never sparing labour cost or Estate which they were or Could be Possessed of until they had accomplished their intended Purpose and desires in regaining it again and settled it under your Lordships Protection and dominion as for M^{rs}