

Then was sent to the Lower House the Copy of the Lord Proprietors Charter
 W^m Calvert Esq^r saith that Charles Nicholett in his Sermon on Wed-
 nesday last to the Lower House did say that they should beware of
 that Sin of Permission & that they were now chosen or Elected both
 by God & man, & have a power put into their hands: The Country
 has often had an Assembly, but never an Assembly that so great Ex-
 pectations were as from this, He could have wished that they had read
 the Proceedings of the Commons of England to see what brave things
 they had done, & now let me beg of you to consider the poor people
 for the Lord will hear their Cause You are not unwise how heavy the
 Tax was upon them the last Year therefore let me desire of you to beware
 of that Sin of Permission, for it is an old saying set a Beggar on horse back
 & he will ride, & set a Child on horse back & he will be afraid to guide the
 Horse, therefore let me desire of you to go on with Courage, for that you
 have a power of yourselves, & equal to the rest of that the people & a
 Liberty equal to the people of England, & that if they did not make
 such Laws as was agreeable to their own Conscience that then this was
 no Liberty but a seeming Liberty & had better be without it

Mr Tho: Trueman saith the same Verbatim

This is the Substance of the latter part of the Sermon.

Signed W^m Calvert.

Thomas Trueman

Upon Information to this House that Charles Nicholett hath
 spoken certain seditious Words against the Government of this Pro-
 vince, It is Ordered that a Messenger be dispatched away to fetch the
 said Nicholett to make his appearance in this House to abide the
 Censure of the House for the said seditious Speeches

Signed Philip Calvert

Then came two members from the Lower House & presented
 this following Petition

To the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor & his
 Council in the Upper House of Assembly Assembled

The humble Petition of the Delegates in the Lower House Assembled
 Humbly sheweth - That it was represented to this House this morn-
 ing that the great Charges of the Proofs of Wills & granting Admissi-
 on - upon small Estates Persons living at great Distance from
 the place where the Office is kept are Constrained to travel very far
 for the obtaining the same, whereby some Estates are almost wholly
 consumed in fees in the Office & the viaticul Expences of the party so
 travelling to obtain the same to the damage of the Creditors there viz
 scarce any moneys left, after those Charges defrayed for the payment
 of the debts of the deceased & the wife & Children of the deceased
 exposed to Extreme Poverty having nothing left for them.