P. R. O. with such orders and Instructions as they have or shall from Colonial time to time receive from the said Commrs Given at our Court at Windsor the 10th day of August 1685, in the first year of our reign.

By His Majesty's Command Sunderland.

P. R. O. Colonial Papers.

To the Lords of Plantation the humble Petition of Will^m Penn.

Sheweth.

That your Petitioner have long waited the decision of the difference depending before you between the Lord Baltemore and your Petitioner about a Tract of Land in America, he received of the present King when Duke.

He humbly prays for a short day for the hearing and issuing the said difference, and if the Lords please, that it may be this

day se'night.

And your Petitioner shall pray etc.

Petition of Will^m Penn. Read 18th August 1685.

To the King's Majesty The Petition of Will^m Penn, with all humility.

Sheweth,

That his Petitioner hath long waited to his great detriment, the decision of the matters in difference between the Lord Baltemore and himselfe, under the King's name and gracious protection about the bounds of the Lands which he received from the King when Duke, and though he has been referred to the issue of the Quo-warranto upon the L^d Baltemore's Patent, yet since this stay is of the greatest prejudice to his Majesty's Province and a ruin to his Petitioner, and his family, as he is ready to evince, and that it is about a Title of Land and not of Powr, and so not the Question the Quo-warranto goes upon, for that dispute would remain tho' the King's suit about Powr, were issued.

His Pet^r most humbly prays his Case may be recommended to the Lords of Plantations, and a short day sett to hear and determine the business, and his Pet shall

Ever heartily pray

W^m Penn.

Petition of Mr Penn. Recd from the Earl of Midleton 18th August 1685. Read the same day.