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Lib. R. Peticon craveing some allowance to be made her out of the publick Leavy for maintenance of her Child being a cripple w^{ch} peticon is as foll: viz.

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The humble Peticon of ffrances Lucus of St Maries County Widdow

Sheweth

That yor Petrs husband Dyed about 3 yeares since, and that since his Decease yor Petr hath been compelled to Satisfie his Debts weh amounted to more then the Effects of his Estate, That yor Petr hath two Children One whereof a girle about Eleaven yeares of Age is a cripple and goes on her hands and knees, and yor Petr being a very poore woman and nothing to maintain her Self and Children withall doth humbly request some allowance out of the Publick for the maintenance of the said helpless and crippled Child

And as in Duty bound she shall pray &ca

Whereupon Ordered viz.

By the Governor & Councell Octob: 26th 1678:

The Peticon is referred to the Consideration of the Justices of S^t Maries County Court who are Desired duely to consider the necessity and indigency of the Pet^r soe as to award her a charitable and competent maintenance out of the County Leavy.