

Lib. R. R. R. she goeth in feare, He the said Simmons haveing severall times before his late troubles soe behaved himself towards your Pet<sup>r</sup> and her poore Orphans, & since forbidden severall persons to pay unto or for your said Pet<sup>r</sup> and orphans towards their maintenance any tobacco due to the Estate left your Pet<sup>r</sup> by her former husband for that end, and converting the same to his owne use, to satisfie his owne extravagant expences before & since his said late troubles.

All w<sup>ch</sup> your Pet<sup>r</sup> humbly prayes your Hono<sup>rs</sup> to think worthy of your consideration, and to take some effectuall course, not onely for the maintenance of your s<sup>d</sup> Pet<sup>r</sup> and her Orphans, without the charity of other persons (haveing wherewithall sufficient soe to doe of their owne if it might be secured) but also to defend and protect them from any bodily mischief that may be Offered to them by the s<sup>d</sup> Simmons when he shall be Inlarged.

And shall pray &c<sup>a</sup>

Ordered that the Commissaryes take this petition into their consideration &c<sup>a</sup>

The hon<sup>ble</sup> the Commissaryes are desired to take into their consideration the foregoeing petition, soe as to afford the Pet<sup>r</sup> what reliefe they legally may, by secureing both her & her Orphans in their persons Estates, soe farr forth as by Law they may, it being referred wholly to them as haveing the proper charge of all matters of this nature.

John Scott's pet.

To the hon<sup>ble</sup> Coll Henry Darnall, Coll W<sup>m</sup> Digges Maj<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Sewall and the rest of the hon<sup>ble</sup> Councill

The humble Petition of John Scott late Owner of the shipp Abenome and Cargoe. Sheweth

p. 261 That whereas your poor Pet<sup>r</sup> of meere necessity putting unto this Province of Maryland, by reason of Sickness of his Company, and the distress of his shipp, and not being acquainted with the Custom and Lawes of this Province, hath fforfeited the said Shipp and Cargoe, which is all the Estate your humble Pet<sup>r</sup> hath in the world, and thereby is totally stripp't and incapable to shift for his Liveing, as alsoe severall of his apprentices whom he is obtained to provide for, afflicted with sickness and want of reasonable sustentation, onely the Charity of well disposed people, and unless your Hono<sup>rs</sup> are pleased to deale favourably w<sup>th</sup> your pet<sup>r</sup> he must conclude himself for Ever ruined, as also those whom it hath pleased God to afflict with sickness One whereof is already dead, partly for want of necessary assistance: