Read the Petition of Roderick Loyd of St Marys County Lib. X.
Petitioning for the Cryers place of that County Court the said
Petition is referred to the Iustices of the County Court who
are to admit of him provided what he has set forth in his
Petition be true

His Excellency is pleased to tell this Board that whereas
several of the Members thereof are dead few at present being
of the Council, & living very remote, he was forced Several
times to call for the Assistance & advice of Robert Smith p. 182
Esqr Major Iohn Hammond Captain Richd Hill & Thomas
Tasker Esqr whom tho he did not Swear yet had their Assist-
ance in Council & now forasmuch as the honble Robert Smith
Esqr was in Town proposes whether it may not be Convenient
he should be called in to the Board

Which is thought reasonable & if that he should not it will
look like Slighting him

Wherefore ordered that the Clerk of the Board go & call
him

Who returns with the said Robert Smith Esqr

October the 29th 1698

The honble his Majestys Council Sate present as yesterday

Mr Edward Batson Commissionated and Sworn Clerk of
Appeals & writs of Error before his Excellency the Governor
& Council said Mr Batson took the Oaths of Allegiance &
Subscribed the Test

Also the said Mr Batson took the Oath of Clark of the said
Court

Whereupon Ordered that the Clark of this Board deliver to
the said Mr Batson all the Books papers & records belonging
to the said Court to be by him kept

The Petition of George Plater & Geo Muschampe Esq^{rs} read
praying some order to the Sheriffs & several Clarks of the
Indictments to prosecute to Iudgment & Execute the several
fines within this Province which is Granted & Ordered accord-
ingly

November the 1st 1698

The Council met present as on Saturday last

Read the Petition of Mr William Dent his Majestys Attorney p. 183
Genl of this Province praying that some fee may be Setled
upon him for reports made from this Board

Whereupon ordered that the several persons at whose Suit
such references are made pay to his Majestys Atty Genl for