

shall represent themselves as aforesaid which is as followeth
Any Person of British or Irish Descent who shall dare to ~~set~~
themselves in any of the Places last mentioned shall take up there
upon Credit any Quantity of Lands or Number of Acres not exceeding
three hundred to any one person and every such Grant for such
Number of Acres shall be particular and by it self and so as there
be Reserved unto his Lordship and his Heirs upon every such Grant
the Yearly Rent of One Shilling Sterling for every Fifty Acres of
Land so to be Granted as aforesaid And all Royal Mines and so as
every such Grant so to be taken up and Granted upon Credit as aforesaid
made and Granted upon Condition to be void in case the Grantee
and Grantees to whom the same shall so be made and Granted his or
their Heirs or Assigns respectively do not or shall not within four
Year to be accounted from the day of the date of such Grant or Grants
respectively bring in or Import into the said Province to Reside or
Continue there one person of British or Irish Descent for every Fifty
Acres so to be Granted upon Credit as aforesaid and make sufficient
proof of such bringing in and Importation of every such Person
Signed and Sealed with the Seal of my Office by Order from the
Honourable the Governor and Council this 23 of December 1670

by me William Talbot Secretary

At A Council held at the City of S^t Marys
The 10th day of October anno Domini 1682 Present
The Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary

Philip Calvert Esq^r Chancellor
Col^r William Stevens

By John Stevens A Petitioner
To the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary
and his Honourable Council

The humble Petition of John Stevens of Dorchester County
Sheweth That whereas your Excellency having lately Supplicated
your Lordship to grant him a Conditional Warrant to lay out some