

thankful and unwearingly Obedient that the said Articles of Agreement or Covenants be from hence forth void and null and that the said Dependents Landington and Wright shall serve out their several times of Service to the Complainant or to whom the estate of the said Mr. Copley doth properly belong as if the said Articles of Agreement or Covenants had never been made.

To the Right Worshippfull Captain William Stone  
Governor and the rest of the Worshippfull Council  
for the Province of Maryland

The humble petition of the Inhabitants of  
the County of the Isle of Kent

Sheweth

That whereas formerly there hath been by the  
Eastern Shore Indians some murdered and now of late one  
all of them Inhabitants of this Island and Subjects of this Province a Dwelling House  
shott another killed and stryke near to his own house and  
much Goods Burned as is conceived by Indians to say  
Nothing of the continual Trade of killing of Hogs they are so  
Imboldned these murders being past by and being so well  
furnished with Gun powder and Shott that they come about  
our houses night and day so that Larrens and disturbances  
are Occasioned weekly nay daily so that some are so dreading  
and Affrighted they have left their plantations and many  
are resolved to desert the Island which tends to our weakening  
and the encouragement of those heathens to make a prey of  
those that shall be left and so to make themselves by our ruin  
more strong to proceed and go on in their mischief designed  
we are also informed that the Eastern Shore Indians have Great  
Store of powder and Shott and many Guns not only in what  
they formerly bought and have taken in Captain Gagers his  
Vieck but they have <sup>not</sup> long since taken a Dutch Schoop with