

Major General Hoys, Col^o William Coursoy, Samuel Young and Thomas Greenfield Esq^r Members of her Majesty's Honble Council enter the House and deliver Mr Speaker the Scheme or Estimate of the Charge of the late Provincial Court and Itinerant Justices as follow.

By his Excellency the Governor and Council in Assembly 3^d December 1700—
Gentlemen. Pursuant to your Request his Excellency had ordered a Calculation to be made of the Charge of the late Provincial Court which is as followeth Viz^t

To 13 Provincial Justices at 400 ^l Tob ^o p ^r Diem 25 Court Days being two } 6 Tob ^o	} 43,768
Courts in a Year.	
To six Boats for the Eastern Shore Justices 2 Courts.	8,400
To the Itinerant Charges of 13 Justices 6 Days each Court going and } 25,760	} 25,760
coming Viz ^t 12 ^l at 80 ^l p ^r Diem.	
Two Grand Juries.	6,000
	83,908

And inasmuch as the new Method of holding ^{the Provincial} Courts and the Judges going the Circuits is known to be of great Ease and Advantage to her Majesty's Subjects in this Province as well Sutors, Jurors and Witnesses it is thought 25,000^l Tob^o will be an handsome Support for each Judge to undertake the Service as well as discharge his Expences thereon and his Excellency being willing while he stays to allow towards it 5000^l Tob^o Annually out of his Toss of the Great Seal besides the unnecessary Charge to the Sheriffs for publick Packets of 11,500^l and the Yearly Rent of an Arms House which may be saved by their being better secured in one of the Upper Rooms of the Court House 2000 besides the Charge of Torriages on the Western Shore for the Justices and their Servants will be more than sufficient. Signed & Order W^m Bladen Esq^r Secy

Which being read Ordered it lye on the Clerks Table for the Members Perusal till Monday Morning next

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten O'Clock

Saturday 4th December 1700— The House met according to Adjournment being called over were present as Yesterday
Then was read what was done Yesterday

Moved that Col^o Walter Smith, Mr Philip Lee and Mr Richard Cologate have leave to go Home till Monday which was granted

The Honble Col^o Greenfield and Philip Lynes Esq^r enter the House and deliver Mr Speaker the following Petition.

The Petition of Alexander Trazer and Sarah his Wife on Behalf of Christian
(Sterling)