

The Petition of Philip Gean of Princetown County of
of himself and sundry the Inhabitants and Parishioners of the
Upper Part of Queen Anne's Parish in Princetown County
Humbly sheweth

That about thirty years ago the late Mrs. Mary Henderson
before her Intermarriage with the reverend Mr. Jacob Henderson for the love
of the Parishioners of the Upper End of the said Parish in order to hear the Word of
God read & preached, and to joyn in Prayers began to build a Chappel, which was
afterwards finished by the said Jacob Henderson

That thereafter the Minister of the said Parish at first on a
third Sunday, and afterwards for many years every other Sunday did
to the said Chappel to read the Prayers of the Church and preach; That you
and sundry Inhabitants of did attend divine Service, and at their own
provided themselves with handsome Seats or Benches, and with the favour
of the said Henderson and his spouse have had the use of the said Seats and
Benches for about twenty five years

That on the third Day of August 1787 the said Jacob Henderson
by Deed of Gift gave the said Chappel with four acres of land to his Lordship the
right honorable the Lord Proprietary for the use of the said Parish

That the said Henderson having at his own expences new
shingled the said Chappel acquainted those that had Seats there, that they
expected they would thereafter at their own expence keep it in Repair

That your Pet. and several of the remote Inhabitants of
the said Parish conceiving it reasonable, as they paid a considerable Part for the
Repairs of the Mother Church with those that did attend and had the benefit
of Divine Worship in said Church, that the Parishioners attending said Church
should likewise joyn with your Pet. for repairing the said Chappel, at an
Assembly held in May 1741 petitioned the then General Assembly, and thereupon
set forth the before recited Petition, and likewise that if the said Chappel should
go to Ruin, it would run the Parish to a great Charge, there being a Necessity