

the wharfage. If, however, that course is not thought advisable, I am anxious to be employed, and will leave the compensation for my services to the honourable governor and council.

I beg leave to refer you to one of your own body, Col. Wm. Stewart, who is well acquainted with me, and has been so for many years.

I am, gentlemen,

Your's very respectfully,

Christian Slimmer.

Upon consideration whereof, the board agree to the proposal of Mr. Slimmer, and ordered the following communication to be addressed to him by the clerk of the council, viz.

Council Chamber, Annapolis, August 7, 1827.

Mr. Christian Slimmer,

Sir—The governor and council have this day appointed you to take charge of all the wharves attached to the property owned by the state, and which was purchased for tobacco inspection warehouses in the city of Baltimore; which situation you are to hold until the first day of January next, or until the legislature or executive may otherwise determine. You will be expected to pay particular attention to the interest of the state, in preventing, so far as it may be in your power, all injury to its property, and to collect such monies as may be due for rents for other than the tobacco warehouses; taking care to keep the property in repair out of said rents, and to pay over to the treasurer of the western shore such balance as may remain, after necessary repairs; and generally to take especial care of the property of the state in the city of Baltimore. For those services, or such others as may be thought by the executive necessary in connection with said property, you are hereby authorised to receive the wharfage that is customary for vessels lying at said wharves, which are not receiving or discharging tobacco; but those latter are, in no instance, to be charged wharfage. The receipts of wharfage by you to be in full for all services hereby required of you, and your acceptance of this agency will be considered your acquiescence in the arrangement hereby contemplated.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.

Tho: Culbreth,
Clerk of the Council.