

Gerard the Atto<sup>r</sup>ney of the s<sup>d</sup> Slye therewith, who sent one Samuel Dobson with your Pet<sup>r</sup> to fetch home the s<sup>d</sup> Servant, but before your Pet<sup>r</sup> and the s<sup>d</sup> Dobson came home, the s<sup>d</sup> Servant was again runn away from your Pet<sup>rs</sup> house soe that he could not deliver him to the said Dobson; all which your Pet<sup>r</sup> did make appeare at the tryall by the said Dobsons oath, notwithstanding which the Jury found against him the whole summe layd in the Declaration amounting to Tenn Thousand five hundred pounds of Tobacco in manner aforesaid; which being more then your Pet<sup>r</sup> is worth in all the world, will be the totall ruine of him & his Six small Children. And your Pet<sup>r</sup> well knowing the s<sup>d</sup> Gerard Slye & Thomas Gerard his Attorney here, to be men of like temper without mercy toward any poore Debt<sup>r</sup> but alwaies extorting the uttermost farthing, hath noe hope to be abated any part of the s<sup>d</sup> Judgem<sup>t</sup> by them Lib. R. R. R.

Therefore your poore Pet<sup>r</sup> most humbly beseecheth your L<sup>spp</sup> of your owne goodness to release unto him such p<sup>t</sup> of your L<sup>dsp</sup>s moiety of the said Judgem<sup>t</sup> as your L<sup>sp</sup> in charity shall think fitt, considering the poverty of your Pet<sup>r</sup> and his greate charge of Children, soe that the said Gerrard Slye may leavy noe more by any writt of Execution then the moiety adjudged him and his costs, which act of Charity will save your pet<sup>r</sup> from being throwne in prison to his totall ruin; and at least continue him & his poore children to breath freely, and Offer up their daily prayers to heaven for your L<sup>sps</sup> long life health and prosperity &c<sup>a</sup> P. 21

thus answered (viz)

By the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> & Council

The moiety of his L<sup>spps</sup> part of the fine awarded by the hon<sup>ble</sup> the Justices of the Provinciaall Court against John King of Calvert County is this day remitted by his L<sup>spp</sup> in Council, whereof the Sheriff of the said County is to take cognizance soe as not to leavy the same. Signed p<sup>o</sup> ord<sup>r</sup>

To the Sheriff of

J Llewelin Cl Consil

Calvert County These.

To the R<sup>t</sup> hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ry</sup> in Council

The humble Petition of Thomas Pue

Sheweth

That your Pet<sup>r</sup> being employed in publick service of the Province was last yeare allowed by the publick 8000<sup>l</sup>: tob<sup>o</sup> & this yeare 6000<sup>l</sup> tob<sup>o</sup> and ordered to be paid in Calvert County Coll Jowles sheriff. But soe it is that your pet<sup>r</sup> neither last yeare nor this yeare cann by any meanes receive