

Lib. C. B. ceed to shew how he thinks the Officer of Patuxent might have righted himself without troubling the hoñble Board before mentioned on the Occasion, and to this end your s^d Remons^t will presume the Officer at Patuxent had a twofold Remedy at Law 1st As your Remons^t had rec^d the Duties, Tonnage &c of the Master, and as the Master had given the Officer of Patuxent an Impost Bond, that Bond might have been put in Suit; in which Case the Remons^t would have become the Masters Bail, and have given him a Bond of Indemnity, by which the s^d Remons^t would have been lyable for
 p. 136 any Damages that might have been obtained against the said Master, but as this Method was not made Use of the Patuxent Officer had, and still hath another, which was as y^r Remons^t (as before observed) rec^d the Duties &c, the Patuxent Officer had an Action of Trespass against your Remonstrant for encroaching on his Property if so he thinks it: This last Course the said Officer of Patuxent declared he would take It is a Remedy he still has & your Remons^t hopes he will make Use of, as he desires to be determined by strict Law and Iustice; And this Method your Remonstrant presumes will not only occasion Justice to be done to the now contending Parties, other than which surely neither should desire, but will be productive of a further good End, even that of ascertaining such Disputes futurely

But after all that has been said on this Occasion, if your Excy will be pleased to take the Trouble of the Affair solely on your self your Petit^r will gladly consent thereto, and will most willingly submit to whatever Decision your Excy may make, not doubting but Justice will then be done, but if this Proposal does not please; your said Remons^t humbly hopes to be allowed to maintain his Right in a lawful manner, that is by a due Course of Law in a Court of Record; which Request as your Pet^r presumes is truly reasonable and just, it being agreeable to Magna Charta and the Liberty of the Subject he doubts not but your Excy will be pleased to grant it: However if the Arguments which your Remons^t & Per^r hath advanced should not prevail with your Excy to alter your first Resolution on this head, and consequently your Remonstrant & Petit^r must be determined by the Council and as he is and ever shall be unwilling to dispute your Excys pleasure, he your said Remons^t & Pet^r humbly prays in that Case to be allowed Council at Law And so your s^d Remons^t & Pet^r submits the whole to your Excellencys Consideration

His Excellency having asked the Advice of this Board on
 p. 137 the foregoing Remonstrances of Philip Lee Esq^r Naval Officer of North Patowmeck against George Plater Esq^r Naval