

Sterl p hundred & allways at our uncertainty, Whereas if officers ffees and other publick dues were rated in money to be paid at a price Curr^t in Tob^o or wheat 'twould be reduced to a Certainty L. H. J.

2^d That Judgment is given for the penalty of Bonds for the payment of Tobacco So that in Case Debtor can not pay Tobacco, but offers to pay in Country Comodities, the Creditor insists on the whole penalty; that if the penalty Exceeds ten pounds Sterl the att^{vy} insists on 200^{lb} Tobacco for his ffee and the Sheriff Charges Execution ffees on the whole penalty.

That thro' the Scarceness of Tobacco last year many Suits are brought and Judgments obtain'd on the penaltys of Bonds. They pray an Act that no Execution may not issue for more than the principall Debt Interest and Costs

That Ordinary Keepers are left to their Liberty to Charge either in Money or Tobacco, so that when Tobacco rises they Charge in Tobacco and thereby get Double the price assest by the Justices

The Report thereon is as follows viz:

By the Committee of aggrievances.

October the 11th 1725

We find it in the power of the Justices of Cecill County to remedy the evill Complained of relating to the ordinary Keepers by assessing the rates of Liquors in what Specie they see fit, but are humbly of opinion the Severall other Matters therein Specified are fit to be remedied and worthy the Consideration of the House

Sign'd p ord^r Sam^l Hepbourn Cl. Com.

And the following aggrievances viz.

That the Duty on Pork as an Equivalent for the Duty on Furrs is not so, nor Answers the Ends proposed.

That Molatto women or others married to negroes or Molattoes and their issue, be obliged to pay taxes.

3^d That Somerset County and some others that cannot make any quantity of Tobacco or flax, may have the Liberty of paying their publick dues in Country Comodities. p. 208

4th That instead of the Liberty to Kill small Stone Horses &c as p Act (after notice to the Owner) it may be Lawfull for any pson to geld such Horses and if they live the Owner to pay the Common price for Gelding

5th Containing the Same in Substance as the Complaints from Som^set County.