

L. H. J.
Lib. No. 45

ceeding was very unjust, and that the Court denying an imparlance did Act Arbitrarily, which proceedings are an Aggrievance in their Opinion, but humbly submit it to all the Consideration of the House.

Signed p Order of the Committee Tho^s Lynn Cl.

M^r Matthews from the Committee of Aggrievances delivers following Report

By the Committee of Aggrievances and Courts of Justice
May 13th 1738.

Your Committee on the complaint of M^r John Brannock of Dorchester County a Member of your Honourable House, conceive that M^r Peter Taylor late Sheriff of the said County and John Mackall as under sheriff of the said Taylor have committed divers Extortions Exactions and grievous Offences, against the Rights and Liberty of the Subject, and contrary to all good rules and Justice which ought to subsist in any Civil Society

1st The said Peter Taylor having an Execution for John Philips of the said County at the Suit of Charles Goldsborough Clerk of the said County, the said Philips went to the said Goldsborough and paid the debt for which the said Execution issued, and had from the said Clerk a note or Letter to Signify a countermand of the said Execution to the Sheriff, notwithstanding which He the said Philips was executed and obliged to pay full Execution and Imprisonment Fees.

2^{dly} That under the colour of a Judgment obtained by M^r Mordecai Hammond of Ann Arundell County, against Thomas Pattison of Dorchester County and without the knowledge of the said Hammond under colour of a second Execution on the said Judgment altho a former had been complied with by the said Pattison to John Mackeel as under Sheriff of the s^d Taylor He the s^d Mackeel obliged him the said Pattison to pay the Debt a second time and Charges of Execution on such second pretended Execution.

3^{dly} That under colour of his Office and by menacing Speeches, violent threats and by a powerful hand, the said John Mackeel as Under Sheriff afs^d did take and carry away from a certain Oliver Fairbrother of the said Dorchester County one plow-horse of the Value at least of twelve pounds, altho the said Fairbrother did not owe the said Sheriff more than two Levies or some such trifle.

4^{thly} That the said John Mackeel under colour of his said Office took and carried away a plow Horse of the Value of ten pounds, from a certain Mary Saunders of the said County altho the said Mary did not owe the said Sheriff above a couple of Levies.

5^{thly} That the said John Mackeel under colour of his said Office took and carried away from a certain Charles Grayham of the said