

August 24 [William Campbell to The Hon. James Brice, Esq. President of the Council.]

Whereas upon a Charge made against M^r John Bullen for Sundry Abuses committed in the Execution of his office, and amongst the rest, for swaping a public Horse with Col^o Plater for a Valuable Mare by which he has since got severall Colts and now keeps as a Breeder—he pled to the Charge that the s^d Horse was given him by Gen^l Pulaskie, and produced M^r Thos. Townsend to prove the same as will appear by his Testimony in the Proceedings of the Committee which stands referr'd to the Gov^r & Council for their Determination thereon. I have therefore thought proper hereby to inform you and the Council that Capt. Segor is now in Town, and will satisfy you the Horse mentioned in the Charge could by no means have been given to M^r Bullen by Gen^l Pulaskie, as he was a public Horse, and that he himself left him with M^r Bullen to be cured of a Disorder which render'd him unfit for service, and that moreover, long after he left the said Horse with M^r Bullen, he made application for him, or at least to know what had become of him, and M^r Bullen inform'd him that he was still unfit for Service, and likely to remain so, and that he did not believe he would ever be fit for any Service except the Plough. Capt Segor will leave Town To-morrow morning and unless call'd on to Day, his Evidence will be lost. The Committee have reported, as will appear in their Proceedings, that M^r Bullen has exchanged several Horses, particularly the Horse purchased by M^r Calhoun for the Publick this no Doubt is true, but its at least as certain, that M^r Bullen paid a Debt to Capt Charles Williamson with the Horse he procured in exchange for the one just mention'd, and that Gentleman sold him soon afterwards for 10,000 Dollars C. money and with the same purchased a negroe Girl Capt. Williamson will declare the same if call'd on as will appear by their Report.

It appear'd to the Committee that The summer before last M^r Bullen worked the public Horses in his Corn Field, but that he had made Satisfaction by a Return of Service I believe M^r Bullen did not pretend in his Defence to account for every Satisfaction made the Public for working their Horses last Summer and likewise the present—this is a Charge which can be supported by the Testimony of Steven and Burle Boon both M^r Bullen's neighbours—I mean they are in the neighbourhood of the Plantation where he has used the Public Horses.

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[Geo. P. Keepports, Baltimore, to His Excell'y Gov'r Lee.]

Your Letter with the Law and appointment for Procuring Cloathing for the Troops Just Came to hand by Express In Consequence of which I summonsed The Gentlemen Appointed with me to meet; and on a meeting They unanimously Refused to Act. M^r Lemmon has wrote his Reason on the Subject and am Authorized by the others