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Reuben M. Daniel of Anne Arundel County by his Petition to the Board, represents that at March term 1784 he obtained from the Court of the aforesaid County licence to sell Liquors, and that being under the impression that this licence gave him a right to practice his occupation elsewhere, he went to Prince George's County and during the sitting of the Court there retailed liquor, for which Offence he was at June term of the Court of the last mentioned County, fined on three several Presentments in the quantity of six hundred wt. of Tobacco each. The Petitioner produces a Certificate from the Clerk of Anne Arundel County testifying that he was at the time mentioned actually Licenced. He sets forth that he is illiterate and very ignorant of the Laws; his Petition is moreover countenanced by the Signature of three Justices of Prince George's County. All which being considered, the Board in regard to the apparent probability of the Petitioner's having offended through ignorance, do order and direct that of the aforesaid fines, two amounting to 1200 lb. of Tobacco be and they are hereby remitted.

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William Newton of Baltimore County by his Petition sets forth that being afflicted with an inflammation in his legs which rendered him incapable of pursuing any occupation in which bodily strength and activity were requisite, he determined to aim at supporting his family by keeping a Tavern, that with this intention he repaired to the Court House to obtain Licence but that before he arrived there the Court had risen, that he then applied to the Magistrate for a Permit to sell liquor until the ensuing Court, failing in which application he was compelled by extreme want to begin his proposed avocation; in consequence of which he was at May term in the present year fined on three several Presentments in Six hundred pounds of [p 244] Tobacco each, the payment of which he represents would be the ruin of himself and a distressed Family, and five of the Justices of the aforesaid County having recommended the Petitioner as a proper object of Clemency, the Board on full consideration of the Circumstances do order and direct that two of the said fines amounting to twelve hundred wt. of Tobacco be and they hereby are remitted.

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