

The Honorable }
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UPON reading at the Board the humble Petition of John Brannock of Dorchester County setting forth as by his Petition preferred to this Board on the 15th of July last may appear; and this Board being attended by the said John Brannock and the said Peter Taylor; It appeared to this Board by the Oaths and Examinations of Jacob Lockerman Arthur Wheatly John Mills Noah Pearson and John Hatfield taken in the Presence of the said Peter Taylor; that they the said Jacob Lockerman Arthur Wheatly John Mills Noah Pearson and John Hatfield before any Judgment was entered up on the several Bonds against them had offered to pay to the said Peter Taylor the several Sums of Tobacco due on any of the said Bonds executed by them; And the said Peter Taylor not being able to satisfy this Board that he either went or sent to the houses of the said Jacob Lockerman Arthur Wheatly John Mills Noah Pearson and John Hatfield in Order to collect such Tobacco before the Judgments were entered up against the said Jacob Lockerman Arthur Wheatly John Mills Noah Pearson and John Hatfield Thereupon this Board do declare their Opinion that as it is just and necessary such Bonds should be paid and complied with according to the Tenor of them, so it is not less just and equitable that the Persons giving such Bonds should not be subjected to any unreasonable Hardships by any ill Use which may be made of those Bonds: Therefore since it appears to this Board that the said Peter Taylor in entering up the said Judgments and taking the said Jacob Lockerman Arthur Wheatly John Mills Noah Pearson and John Hatfield in Execution before he went or sent to collect the Tobacco so offered as aforesaid hath acted contrary to the Intention and Reason of taking the said Bonds, as well as against the express directions of the Secretary of this Province to him given This Board do recommend to the said Peter Taylor as Sheriff of the said Dorchester County to pay or satisfy to the said Jacob Lockerman Arthur Wheatly John Mills Noah Pearson and John Hatfield all such Costs and Charges which they may have been put to by reason of the entering up of such Judgments as aforesaid; But it is not intended that anything in this Order shall extend to hinder the Recovery of any Tobacco by Virtue of such Judgments which may be due to the Secretary on any such Bonds

His Excellency lays before this Board the following Depositions

Maryland }
 Baltimore County } October the 16th 1735

The Depositions of Jos^{ph} Ogle, Aged about 28 Years and Patrick Connor Aged about 27 Years depose as followeth Viz.

That on the 23rd day of September last past there came Robert Buchanan High Sheriff of Lancaster County and his Brother Archibald Buchanan John Powell & Matthew George Sanders Mitchell and John Mitchell in a very rugged unbecoming Manner into the Inclosed Field of the afo^r Jos^{ph} Ogle where he the