

In Council January 9th 1790.
By the Petition of Barney Ford and Thomas Cole jun^r, of Baltimore County it is represented that they were present at a quarrel between Thomas Barney and Nicholas Gill, which ended in a fight, during which Barney bit off part of Gill's nose - the consequence of which was a prosecution in the Criminal Court of the said County - when, Barney was fined fifteen pounds and the Petitioners Ford ten pounds - That the two petitioners became securities for Barney's fine, and Barney and Cole for Ford's fine - immediately after which Barney absconded, and was pursued without effect by the Petitioner Ford as far as the Ohio River - The petitioners represent that they are poor men with families of small children - That they live on poor land - that Cole lost his house &c by fire last winter, and that the payment of the fines would occasion their ruin - The Petition is accompanied by a short transcript of the proceeding - The Board on full consideration of all the circumstances do direct that of the above fines two thirds of each amounting to the sum of sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence be remitted.

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On the Petition of George DeBarkley of Baltimore Town setting forth that he is a native of Germany, and being of no trade, for the support of himself and family, was induced to set up a Billiard table, that he, being hitherto (a foreigner unacquainted with the Laws and Customs of Maryland) apprehended he was at liberty to sell to his customers at the table liquors as they required - that he accordingly sold liquors to be drunk in his house in small quantities and never conceived or knew that he had done amiss until he was presented to Baltimore County Court where at November term last he was fined - that he is a poor man and has a small helpless family to maintain and is unable to pay the fine - It appears from a certificate from the Clerk of the County that the Petitioner was fined six hundred pounds of Tobacco, and Thirty shillings currency - The Board in consideration of the poverty and Ignorance of the Petitioner and the recommendation of three of the Justices of the said Court do order and direct