

In Council November 25. 1791.

William Bancker of Caroline
County by his Petition sets forth that in Caroline County
Court at October term in the year 1787 a certain John
Bean was presented in four several instances for selling
liquor without licence & was arrested by the Petitioner who
was then Sheriff of the County - that the said Bean being
then a resident of the County and apparently a solvent
and settled person and giving his solemn assurances that
he would attend the ensuing Court, the Petitioner confiding
in his promises did not require sureties for his appearance
that the said Bean instead of appearing at Court, removed
into the Delaware State by reason whereof the Petitioner
was laid under rule to have the said Bean at Court the
next term - that the Petitioner did thereupon go in pursuit
of the said Bean and after undergoing much trouble and
some expences did bring him into the County and offer to put
him into the custody of the then Sheriff who refused to receive
him, and there being no goal in the County the said Bean
made his escape and has not since been heard of - that the
rule afo^r has by the indulgence of the Justices been extended
from term to term until the present October term 1791 when
the Petitioner to save further Costs had the matter submitted
on which Submissions a fine of three pounds fifteen shillings
was imposed by the Court on each of the preventments and
the Petitioner became security for the said fines and fees
that the Costs and fees on the said Preventments from