

Votes and Proceedings, May, 1758.

	Ordinary Licences.	Wheel Carriages.
Joseph Belt, junior, late Sheriff of same County, _____	18 10 0	
Walter Hanson, late Sheriff of Charles County, _____	23 15 0	
Thomas Hungerford, late Sheriff of same County, _____	22 7 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
William Mauduit, late Sheriff of Prince-George's County, _____	59 19 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
John Coske, late Sheriff of same County, 96 l. 6 s. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, and 47 l. 5 s. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$,	143 12 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	
Turnor Wootton, late Sheriff of same County, 179 l. 1 s. 6 d. and 55 l. 19 s. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ for Ordinary Licences, and also 27 l. 15 s. 9 d. for Wheel Carriages, _____	235 0 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 15 9
William Rafin, late Sheriff of Kent County, _____	35 14 2	
Hercules Coutts, Sheriff of same County, _____	2 9 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Charles Christie, late Sheriff of Baltimore County, for Wheel Carriages, _____		9 15 0

N. B. The several Sheriffs Bonds are sued for the above Ballances, except *John Parran's* and *William Rafin's*, and *Turnor Wootton's* for the Year 1756.

Your Committee further observe, that the following Officers and others, concerned in returning the Lists and Accounts of, and collecting, the Taxes under the following Acts past for his Majesty's Service (*to wit*) the Act for purchasing Provisions for his Majesty's Forces on the *Canada Expedition* (past in *November 1746* and the Act past in *July 1754*) are deficient in the following Instances. *viz.* *John Darnall*, Clerk of *Frederick County*, in not returning Lists of Ordinary Licences and Wheel Carriages for the Year 1757; *William Ireland*, Clerk of *Calvert County*, in not returning any List of Wheel Carriages in Pursuance of the said Act of 1754; and *Beale Bordley*, Clerk of *Baltimore County*, in not returning a List of Wheel Carriages for the Year 1757. But, whether the several Constables have returned Lists of Wheel Carriages to the County Courts, as prescribed by the Act of 1754, does not appear to your Committee. The Executors of *George Plater*, Esq; late Naval Officer of *Patuxent*, have returned no Account of, or paid any Money for, the Duties collected from the 14th Day of *March* to the 29th of *September 1755*; *George Dent*, late Sheriff of *Charles County*, has neglected paying the Sum of 44 l. 17 s. 9 d. for Ordinary Licences received in the Year 1756; and *John Fendall*, Sheriff of same County, 19 Shillings, the Ballance of the Duty on Wheel Carriages in the same Year.

Your Committee also observe, that the following Sheriffs are Deficient on Account of the Money levied in their Counties, towards replacing the 200 l. paid *Jonas Green*, for Printing Part of the Money emitted by the Act for his Majesty's Service past in the Year 1756, *viz.*

<i>John Fendall</i> , Sheriff of <i>Charles County</i> ,	£. 17 10 0
<i>James Dixon</i> , Sheriff of <i>Frederick County</i> ,	15 5 0
<i>William Hedges</i> , late Sheriff of <i>Cecil County</i> ,	10 10 0
<i>Hercules Coutts</i> , Sheriff of <i>Kent County</i> ,	13 5 0

£. 56 10 0

N. B. *Mercer Lock*, Sheriff of *St. Mary's County*, paid since the Closing the Books, £. 14 0 0

Your Committee further Report, that by the Act, entitled, *An Act for emitting and making Current the Sum of 90,000 l. Current Money of Maryland, in Bills of Credit*, the Commissioners are impowered to lend upon Security, such Sum or Sums of Money as remained in the Office and not particularly applied by that Act, under certain Conditions and Limitations, therein mentioned; whereof one is, that the Principal Money shall be repaid at such Times and in such Proportions, as the Commissioners or Trustees, and the Borrower, shall agree, not exceeding Seven Years, and the Interest of the whole Sum paid every Year; notwithstanding whereof, the Commissioners suffer large Sums of Money due to the Public on Bonds, to lie in the Hands of the Borrowers; by which Means the Public lose not only the Accumulation of the Interest, but in many Instances, the Principal is in Danger of being lost, for Want of bringing Suits on such Bonds in Time.

Your Committee further observe, that by the said Act, such of the Commissioners or Trustees as shall undertake and execute the said Trust, shall be allowed for their Service and Trouble therein, after the Rate of One Hundred Pounds each for the first Year, and for every Year after, Eighty Pounds each, and the same Sum is allowed to their Clerk, which they have constantly drawn and paid Quarterly, notwithstanding that two of the said Commissioners, *viz.* *Charles Hammond*, and *George Stuart*, Esq; are, or have been, several Years Interest in Arrear on Sums of Money borrowed out of the said Office in their own Names,