

Proceedings of the Court of the said County, it appears that he together with a certain Edward S. Boteler, entered into a Recognizance in the sum of two hundred dollars each, for the appearance of a certain John Keechler at Frederick County Court, at October term last, to answer a presentment for passing a five dollar forged Bank note knowing it to be forged. The Petitioner represents that he is an Inn keeper in Frederick Town, and as such on or about the third of September eighteen hundred and twenty, received into his house the said John Keechler, a man of very respectable appearance, who engaged boarding for one week, during which period the said Keechler conducted himself with propriety and correctness, and whilst boarding with him, asked the Petitioner to change a five dollar note of the Bank of Pennsylvania, which he accordingly did, without having the least suspicion of the genuineness of the note. That the Petitioner on the day following, paid that note with other notes to a Merchant for goods, who doubted the goodness of the note, but received it, for examination, at one of the Banks in Frederick Town, and handed it to George Baci, Esquire, Mayor of the City of Frederick as a counterfeited note. The Petitioner further states that the said Keechler was taken on warrant and entered into a Recognizance himself in the sum of four hundred dollars, and his securities in the sum of two hundred dollars each for the appearance of the said Keechler at the said Court as above stated. The Petitioner states that he made every exertion to procure the attendance of the said Keechler but without effect. That he went to the City of Philadelphia and other places in pursuit of him. The Board on consideration of the circumstances of the case, do on the recommendation of the Court of the said County, release the said William Perry and Edward S. Boteler from the said forfeitures of two hundred dollars each.

John Stephen

Thomas H. Wilkenson

James Butcher

From Monday January the 15<sup>th</sup> 1821 to Saturday January the 20<sup>th</sup> His Excellency the