

the Council met

Friday October 28 1825.

P R E S E N T

His Excellency  
and  
The Senate

Samuel Stevens Governor

Philomen Chew

Robert H Archer

Thomas Emory

Joseph Gabby Members of the Council

By the Petition of Peter Andrew of Caroline County, it appears, that at the March Term of Caroline County Court in the year 1825 he was fined by the said Court, the sum of sixteen dollars, in three several cases for selling liquor without license.

The Petitioner states that the offences for which he was convicted arose from his entire ignorance of the Law, and from the persuasion of others, whose opinions and wishes he unfortunately for himself paid too much attention. That the quantity of liquor sold was not more than one quart, and that of his own distillation. He represents that he is very poor and utterly unable to pay the said fines, that he has no property and is entirely dependant on his daily labour for support, and that unless by the interposition of the Executive he must spend his life in a goal. He therefore prays a remission of the said fines. And the Court as well as many other respectable Gentlemen having recommended the Petitioner to the clemency of the Executive, the board do hereby remit the said fines.

(Signed) Phil Chew  
Robt. H Archer  
Tho Emory

By the Petition of Cepha W Benson accompanied by a transcript from the Records of Prince Georges County Court, it appears that he was fined by the said Court at April Term 1825 the sum of thirty dollars for an assault & battery on George Beall. The Petitioner states that he felt fully persuaded that upon the examination of the witnesses on the part of the State, the whole truth would have been developed to the Court, and therefore he submitted his case to the Court without having any witnesses summoned on his part. But he states that in this expectation he was disappointed, that the evidence was all unfavourable to him, and that the Court deemed it their bounden duty to fine him \$30. He further states that Beall the witness against him, instituted an action of assault & battery against him for the same cause, which he defended, and at the trial had evidence in his favor on his part, and after a full exposure of all the circumstances, a Jury on their oath fined him but one cent. That he is fully persuaded that want of evidence which he could have adduced was the only reason why he was subjected to a fine. He therefore prays that the said fine be remitted. And the Court having recommended a remission of the said fine except five Dollars, the board do hereby remit the same with that exception.

(Signed) Phil Chew  
Robt. H Archer  
Tho Emory

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay Samuel Thomas or order, seventy five dollars, for one quarters salary as Armourer at Eastern due this day.