

To The Honourable the Speaker & the Members of the General Assembly

The Petition of Thomas Cannon humbly sheweth that some time in the Year One thousand seven hundred and eighty six a Negro man Slave the property of your Petitioner was apprehended on suspicion of having stolen, & on examination before one of the Justices of the County of Princeps Anne was committed to Jail to undergo a trial before the Court of said County - That previous to the day of examination the Jail was burnt & the said Slave perished, when by your Petitioner was deprived of his property - Your Petitioner suggests that he paid the sum of Sixty five pounds specie for the said Slave, being a white young Fellow, that his age did not exceed twenty eight years at the

time he was destroyed & that as he was
apprehended for the purpose of public
justice, he considers himself justly en-
titled to receive recompence from the
State, He therefore humbly prays
that a Law may pass authorizing the
Treasurer to pay him the sum agreed
on such other sum as shall be deemed
just & reasonable & he as in duty bound
will pray &c

Thomas Cannon

in small

Caumon's Pet.

A No. 1793

Claims