The Execution of the above Writ appears by the following Proceedings.

The answer of John Scott, James Claypoole, Richard Graves, John Woodland, John Page, John Thomas, Jeremiah Nicols, William Grindage and Richard Hynson Justices of the Peace for Kent County and Edward Worrell high Sheriff of the same County. We John Scott, James Claypoole, Richard Graves, John Woodland, John Page, John Thomas, Jeremiah Nicols, William Grindage and Richard Hynson Justices as aforesaid and Edward Worrell high Sheriff of the same County, To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court for the Eastern Shore of the State of Maryland certify, that Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County on the Monday before the third Tuesday of October seventeen hundred and eighty seven, that he should take Matthew Clarkson, Richard Graves and Levinus Clarkson late of Kent County planters, if they should be found in his Bailiwick and them safe keep, so that he might have their bodies before the Justices of our next County Court, to be held at the Court house in the Town of Chester in said County on the Monday before the third Tuesday of March next to answer unto Leonard Dorsey in a plea of Trespass on the Case and so forth. At which said Monday before the third of March seventeen hundred and eighty eight, came the aforesaid Leonard Dorsey by Pere Lethbury his Attorney and the Sheriff of Kent County also came and made return of the Writ aforesaid to the Court here thereon endorsed as follows, to wit, "N.B. Matthew, Cepi Richard and Levinus." Geo: Hanson Shff. But the said Richard Graves and Levinus Clarkson altho' solemnly called to come into the said Court, came not, but made default altho our said Sheriff hath returned that he hath taken the bodies of them the said Richard and Levinus: Thereupon George Hanson Sheriff of the County aforesaid at the prayer of the said Leonard Dorsey by his Attorney aforesaid was amerced in the sum of three shillings and four pence current money, provided he should not bring into the said Court the bodies of the aforesaid Richard Graves and Levinus Clarkson on the Monday before the third Tuesday of June next, according to the return of the Writ aforesaid, the same day was given the aforesaid Leonard Dorsey here and so forth. At which said Monday before the third Tuesday of June seventeen hundred and eighty eight, came again the aforesaid Leonard Dorsey by his Attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff also come, and the said Richard and Levinus altho solemnly called to come into the said Court, came not, but made default altho our said Sheriff hath returned that he hath taken the bodies of the aforesaid Richard and Levinus; thereupon the aforesaid George Hanson Sheriff of the County aforesaid at the prayer of the said Leonard by his Attorney aforesaid was further amerced in the sum of six shillings and eight pence current money

provided he should not bring into the said Court the bodies of the aforesaid Richard Levinus on the Monday before the the third Tuesday of October according to the return of the Writ aforesaid; the same day was given the aforesaid Leonard here and so forth. At which said Monday before the third Tuesday of October seventeen hundred and eighty eight, came the aforesaid Leonard Dorsey by his Attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Kent County also came, and the aforesaid Richard and Levinus altho so solemnly called to come into the said Court, came not, but made default altho our said Sheriff hath returned, that he hath taken the bodies of the aforesaid Richard and Levinus; thereupon the said George Hanson, Sheriff of the County aforesaid at the prayer of the aforesaid Leonard by his Attorney aforesaid was amerced in the sum of six shillings and eight pence current money, provided he should not bring into the said Court the bodies of the aforesaid Richard and Levinus on the Monday before the third Tuesday of March next according to the return of the Writ aforesaid; the same day was given the aforesaid Leonard here and so forth. At which said Monday before the third Tuesday of March seventeen hundred and eighty nine, came the aforesaid Leonard Dorsey by his Attorney aforesaid and the aforesaid Richard Graves and Levinus Clarkson by William Tilghman their Attorney also came and they allege to the same Court that the Action aforesaid so as aforesaid depending between the said Leonard Dorsey Plantiff and them the said Richard Graves and Levinus Clarkson Defendants is by Habeas Corpus removed to the General to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State in Talbot County at the Court house in the same County on the second Tuesday of April next, of all which the said Court for the County of Kent aforesaid hath legal notice by Habeas Corpus amongst the proceedings of the same Court filed and allowed.

Kent County, State of Maryland Sct.

Seal of Kent County Court

In Testimony that the above is a true Copy of the Proceedings in the Action aforesaid, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of Kent County aforesaid this 24th day of March 1789.

Ben: Chambers Clk.

And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and eighty nine came into the General Court here as well the said Plintiff by his Attorney aforesaid as the said Defendant by his Attorney aforesaid, and the said Plantiff by his Attorney, affiled his Declaration in the plea aforesaid in manner and form following, to wit: Maryland Kent County, to wit: Matthew Clarkson, Richard Graves and Levinus Clarkson late of Kent County planters were summoned to