John in due forme of law hath been committed or to either of them although he hath not paid but the same to pay
hath denyed & still doth deny to the damage of the said George
to the sum and therefore upon he bringeth this suite and bringeth
into Court here the deed of David Barron of the said John
Abington & also the said ill of Exp. & instrument of protest
bill of Exp. & instrument of protest the more sufficiently appear
to this Court here in manner & forme aforesaid —
Now hereat this day to wit the fourteenth day of October
aforesaid and the said George by his Attorney or
Anno Dni 1695 came the said William Nicholls by William
Dixie his Attorney likewise came and say he is not by
the said William in forme
in bar of the plea aforesaid
said George remaine thereof
vnde fr[illegible] Whereupon
Dial the said George demand
William Nicholls against the
thilling & two pence the
protest aforesaid according
sum of six hundred eighty
tobacco rest of suite dim
the deft in mercy &c —

This same day — Mary l. ss.
agt. Nicholas Sporne — Nicholas Sporne late of Dunchurch in the County
Merchant was attached to answer unto George
Lingan Ad. of all & singular the goods & chattels
rights & credits of John Abington late of Elvers
County Merchant deceased of a plea of trespass upon
the case —

And whereupon the said George Lingan by Samuel Watkins
his Attorney complaineth that whereas the said Nicholas
Sporne was indebted to the said John Abington in his
life time in the sum of sixty five pounds twelve shillings
& one penny and being so indebted the said Nicholas the
11th day of November 1693 in consideration thereof did draw
the bill of Exp. according to the custome of merchants &
signed with the proper hand of the said Nicholas and
directed to one certaine John Hyde by the name of Mr.
John Hyde merchant in London for the payment of Exp.
35l. 12s. 0d. at twenty dayes after sight of the said bill of
Exp. to the said John Abington in his life time directed and
the said Nicholas did assume upon himselfe and to the said
John Abington in his life time faithfully promise that if the said

said John Hyde the said sum of 35l. 12s. 0d. should to him the said
John Abington in his life time did not well & truely pay according to
tenor of the said bill of Exp. that the said Nicholas would well & truely
pay the same unto the said John Abington when he required thereof the said George Lingan
in fact saith that on the 20th
1694 did in the sixth year of the
William & Mary by the grace of
Ireland &c at the instance &c
public Notary & Tabellion pub
authority admitted & sworne &
the Copy is thereof above written
to whome the same was directed
whereupon he authority thereof
which authority not being satisfied
Notary by these presents did
said Nicholas Sporne draw
whereof il disorder might
all costs damages & interests a
sustained & sustain and for want
instrument of protest is by
produced, Now be it therefore
Assington aforesaid in addi
intending him the said John A
traitorly & subtilly to defraude &
sum of 35l. 12s. 0d. to him
or to the said George Lingan
of the goods of the said John
him legally committed or to
hath not paid but the same
and still doth deny to the
fifty pounds of the said
he bringeth the in to Court here
John Abington to get the
protest whereby the plaintiff
in to this Court in manner &c
Now hereat this day to wit
aforesaid the said Ni
his Attorney likewise came
pounds sixteen shillings
debt aforesaid he ought
for that the same is justly
considered by the Court here
the said Nicholas after the
shillings & one penny the
three pounds three shillings
protest aforesaid according to
sum of six hundred eighty
tobacco for rest of suite
and the deft in mercy &c.