to recognize &c. Because we are unable yet, and now know not how long to wait this
Court day and year &c. mentioned Comes the said parties by their Attorneys afore
and the said Mr. Edmund Gomer and Master Jos. of the said Prison
that he the said Mr. Gomer duly warned &c. at by the two precepts of writ commanded
viz. Jos. Gibbs for Mr. John Martin John Gibbs and William Bolton the
Jurymen Mr. Henry Thomas Hopkins William Carter James Lowsey
Mr. Dorsey Edward Smith and John Hurtable who being elected tried
and sworn to say the truth the premises and having heard the pleadings
and allegations on both sides do say upon their oath we the Jury
find for the Defendant &c.

It is therefore considered by the Court here this twenty seventh
day of April 1703 that the said Simon pay unto Mr. Gomer
his costs and be in mercy for his false Plaint and &c.
the said Samuel Green Mr. Paine and John Dash go thereof without
day &c. It is lastly considered by the said Court that the said
Samuel Green Mr. Paine and John Dash recover against the said
Simon Smith the sum of
pounds of tobacco for their costs and charges by them
said out and expended according to the form of the statute &c.

John Attwood } Contract was given the Sheriff of Talbot City that he take
to Robert Bond } Robert Bond and that Robert Bond of Kent County Merchant of his own
be found in Talbot County Court on this day to keep &c. he might
have his body before the Justices of this Mr. Court provided at Court
to be held at Oxford the 1st Tuesday in April 1702 to answer unto Mr. Attwood of
Talbot &c. Executor unto him three thousand pounds of tobacco debt
and of the said Plaint there the said precept &c.

At which said last Tuesday in April 1702 came the said Sheriff and left the
said writ or precept endorsed &c. but for that the said Sheriff produced not the body
according to the tenor of the said writ it was ordered that the Sheriff make next Court
At which said next Court held the 1st day of October Anno Dni 1702 came the
said Sheriff and for &c. the said Robert did not then appear it was ordered that the
said Sheriff be amerced &c. unless he appears at the next court and produce the body
of the said Robert. At which said next Court held the twenty seventh day of April
Anno Dni 1703 Comes the said Sheriff and for &c. he hath not yet produced the
body. It is the judg. of the Court here that the said Sheriff be amerced unless &c.
Whereupon the said Vincent Hemsley the said Sheriff in open Court undertakes
and obligeth himself to pay and satisfy unto the plaintiff the debt in the said
writ mentioned and be discharged from the Amerciaments &c. if the said
Robert Bond do not write and bravely contest and pay the same. Whereupon
the said Vincent Hemsley the said Sheriff at the request of the plaintiff by
the said Court discharged therefrom



Mr. John Rogers } It is ordered yet now to be filed in this action and that the plain
to } Whereas Comes in Court the said Court do the
Thomas Oneale

Alexander Dennis } Commission was given the Sheriff of Somerset County &c.
to } the late Nathaniel Dorset late of Somerset County planter
Nathaniel Dorset } if he should be found in his Bailiwick and time to so
keep safe to bring his body before the Justices of this
Mr. Master Provincial Court to be held at Somerset the 1st
tuesday in April next to answer unto Alexander Dennis of a plea
of Trespass upon the Case and that Mr. Sheriff not fail &c.

Whereupon the said Alexander Dennis gave by William Bladen
his attorney complaint that whereas the said Alexander the
tenth day of March anno Dni 1703 at the special instance
and request of him the said Nathaniel Dorset did in the County Court
of Somerset enter into a certain recognizance to our Sovereign
Lord King William in the sum of ten pounds for that a
certain Thomas Cooper being then a servant boy to the said Nathan.
should be and appear at the next County Court to answer unto
should be objected against him on the said Sheriff Master behalf
and in the mean time be of good behaviour to the said Nathaniel
Dorset in consideration whereof did then and there agree upon
him fully and to the said Alexander did faithfully promise that the said
Nathaniel would at all times thereafter save harmless and indemnify
him the said Alexander for or by reason of the said Alexander's entering
into the recognizance at the request of the said Nathaniel as aforesaid and
the said Alexander in fact saith that the said Thomas Cooper was
afterwards carried out of the County by the said Nathaniel the
said Master &c. he did not appear at the next County Court
according to the recognizance whereupon that the said Alexander was
compelled to pay unto our Sovereign Lady the Queen that now is the
the sum of ten pounds nevertheless the said Nathaniel
his promise and assumption so as aforesaid made not in the least
regarding but contriving and fraudulently intending him the said
Alexander in that behalf fraudulently and subtilly to deceive and
defraud the aforesaid sum of ten pounds to the said Alexander
hath not paid nor any otherway made satisfaction for the same
but the same to pay and satisfy hath altogether denied and refused

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