James Gwan do recover against the said John Edgar the Summe of Ouer Thousand — and thirty five — pounds of Tobacco for Costs of Suit by him Sued by the Court in this behalf said and Granted

Thos Cadwallader } Maryland ss.
as Robert Stevenson } Robert Stevenson late of the County of Prince Georges in the Province of Maryland Gentleman was summoned to Answer unto Thomas Cadwallader Thomas Larkin Joseph Hanstrap & James Louis of a plea that he render to them the Summe of Forty Pounds Sterling which to them he unjustly detaines &c.

And whereupon the said Thomas Cadwallader & Jacob Requier their Attorney says that whereas the said Robert the ninth day of April in the Year of our Lord 1701 at Annapolis in Anne Arundell County by his certain Writing Obligatory sealed with his Seale & to the Court here shown the date whereof is the same day & Year did acknowledge himself to be firmly bound & bound unto the said Thomas Cadwallader in the said Summe of Forty pounds Sterling to be paid unto the said Thomas Cadwallader when he should be thereunto required Nevertheless the said Robert altho: often required the said Summe of Forty Pounds Sterling to the said Thomas Cadwallader hath not as yet paid but the same to them to pay hath altho: altogether refused & still doth refuse to the damage of the said Thomas Cadwallader to the value of Eighty Pounds Sterling & therefore they bring their Suite &c. — Wm Dent Richard Roe. Jacob Requier —

And the said Robt by Wm Dent his Attorney comes & defends the force & injury when &c. And prays oyer of the Bond after he it is read to him &c. & he prays oyer of the Condition of the same bond & it is read to him in these words viz. The Condition of the above written Obligation is such that if the above bounden Robert Stevenson his Heirs Exors Admrs & Assigns or any of them shall & will pay unto the above named Thos Cadwallader Thomas Larkin Joseph Hanstrap & James Louis the full & Just Summe of Twenty pounds Sterling money of England to them their Heirs Exors Admrs or Assigns also upon the Tenth day of May next by Bills of Exchange or otherways to the content & liking of the said Thomas Cadwallader Thos Larkin Joseph Hanstrap & James Louis their Heirs Exors Admrs or Assigns then this present Recognition Obligation to be void & of none Effect or else to stand & remaine in full power & vertue.

And the Deft by his said Attorney comes & further defends the force & injury when &c. And prays liberty to imparle hereunto until the next Court & it is granted him the same is given to the Plaintiff also —

At which said next Court to wit the 29th day of April 1702 came the said Parties by their Attorneys aforesaid & this Cause by the Court was further Continued till the next Provincial Court —

At the said Court viz. the 5th day of October 1702 came again the said Parties by their said Attorneys and this cause was by Court further continued to the next Prov. Court & then ordered peremptorily for Tryall —

And now here at this day to wit the 29th day of April 1703 came the said Parties by their Attorneys aforesaid & the said Wm Dent for the Defendt saith that he is not in Court of any action or thing by this said Plaint to plead in Bar or Accordance of the Arrest aforesaid & that the said Plaintiff ought ag. the Deft altogether undefended & thereupon it is considered by the Justices here the day & year said mentioned that the said Thomas Cadwallader Thomas Larkin Joseph Hanstrap & James Louis recover against the Robert Stevenson as well the Summe of Forty pounds Sterling the Debt aforesaid as the Summe of Eight hundred twenty three pounds of Tobacco adjudged to the said Thomas Cadwallader Thomas Larkin Joseph Hanstrap & James Louis for their Costs of Suite by them in this behalf by them Sued & expended & the Deft in mercy &c.

Lessus ad Mr. — Maryland ss.
Edward Ballson Late of Talbot County Gent was attached to answer unto Thomas Hutchins Admr. of all and singular the goods and Chattels
Edward Ballson } of Henry Lessus dec. of a plea of Trespass upon his Case &c.

And whereupon the said Thomas by William Dent his Attorney Complaineth that whereas the said Edward in his Life time of him the said Henry that is to say the first day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred and ninety Eight at Annapolis in Anne Arundell County in Consideration that the said Henry at the request of the said Edward would well and truly serve him the said Edward as Clerke & Assistant of the Condt of office & Secretary of the said Edward was requisite for so long time as the said Edward should have occasion for him to assist him in writing the business of the said office and what other writing the the said Edward should have occasion to employ him about upon himself and to the said Henry then and there faithfully promised that the the said Edward should be ready to pay unto the said Henry such wages as he should reasonably deserve for the time he assisted the said Edward in writing as aforesaid when he should be thereto requested by the said Henry would well and truly content and pay and the said Thomas Hutchins Admr of the goods and Chattels of the said Henry in fact saith that the said Henry during the time of his Life time to the said promise and assumpsit of the said Edward in form aforesaid made did assist and serve the said Edward in writing in the said office and such other writing work as the said Edward said he should imploy him in at Annapolis aforesaid from the said first day of August for and until the last day of April in the year of our Lord one Thousand Six hundred and ninety and nine being nine months and that he doth reasonably deserve for his Same the Summe of Seven hundred pounds of Tobacco Principall — to wit for the said nine Months amounts to five Thousand four hundred pounds of Tobacco Never the less the said Edward altho: he paid the said Henry in his Life time to wit thirteen hundred pounds of Tobacco part of the aforesaid Summe of five Thousand four hundred pounds of Tobacco yet as to the Summe of four Thousand one hundred pounds of Tobacco residue of the said Summe of five Thousand four hundred the said Edward the promise and assumpsit aforesaid not regarding but minding and fraudulently intending wrongfully the said Henry in this behalf fraudulently and subtilly to deceive and defraud the said Summe of four Thousand One hundred pounds of Tobacco or any part thereof to the said Henry in his Life time or to the said Thomas to whom administration of all and singular the goods and Chattels of the said Henry after his death in due form of Law was Committed or to either of them hath not paid altho: the said Edward to do the Same by the said Henry in his Life time afterwards to wit the day and place last mentioned and by the said Thomas administrator after the said Henry's death of the said Henry hath been thereto requested but hath altogether denied and refused and still doth deny and refuse to the damage of the said

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