the Court and the Death it and the same day is given to the pltffs also —

Att wch said next Court to wit the second day of October Anno Domi 1711 Comes as well the said Arden Carleton & Company by their attorney as also the said John Pettiveal by his attorney and the said John Pettiveal by his said attorney as before doth defend the Force and Injury when &c and saith that he hath not assumed upon himself in Manner and form as the said Arden and Comp^y above Complain against him and thereof puts himself upon the Country &c Yet notwithstanding the said John Pettiveal by his attorney aforesaid relinquishing his aforesaid plea by him above pretended says that the Damages the pltffs have action aforesaid so as aforesaid against him brought nth Can he say but that the said pltffs ought to recover their damages by occasion of the premisses aforesaid to the sum of nine pounds Sixteen shillings and nine pence stg & Costs of suit aforesaid wch said pltffs do not gainsay Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Arden Carleton and Comp^y recover the day and year last mentioned the said sum of nine pounds Sixteen shillings and nine pence stg their damages aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed as also the sum of pounds of Tobacco by the Court here adjudged unto them for their Costs & Charges by them about their suit in this behalf laid out & expended and the said Defendant Mercy &c Mem^d the pltffs by their attorney aforesaid Pray the Execution of the judgment for thirty days —

Att John Mayhew & Comp^y } Maryland ss
Ad Eliz^a Keech — — — } Elizabeth Keech of Charles County wid^w was attached to answer unto John Mayhew and Comp^y of the City of Lond^n Merch^ts of a plea of trespass on the Case &c

And Whereupon the same John Mayhew and Comp^y by Wm Matthews their attorney Complain that whereas the aforesaid Eliz^a the first day of May Anno Domi Seventeen hundred and Eight at the City of Annapolis in the County of Anne according to the Customs of Merch^ts & other of this the province of Maryland and the City of London in England sold used made and drew her their bill of Exchange with her proper hand subscribed bearing date the day and year aforesaid to a certain Thomas Wharton and Timothy Cossar Merch^ts in London residing and negotiating directed and by the said bill requested the said Thomas & Timothy at twenty days sight of such bills of Exchange her first and second of the same tenor and date not being paid to pay unto a certain John Cod or his order the sum of Seventeen pounds Seven shillings and four pence stg for value received wch bill afterwards at the County of Anne aforesaid and before sight there of by the said Thomas or Timothy the aforesaid John Cod by indorsement with his proper hand subscribed according to the Custom of Merch^ts aforesaid ordered the aforesaid sum of Seventeen pounds Seven shillings and four pence stg to be paid to the order of the aforesaid John Mayhew & Co for value of them received which bill afterwards on the twenty fifth day of Augt in the year Seventeen hundred and nine at London aforesaid in Anne County aforesaid had notice and then and there was requested to pay the aforesaid sum of Seventeen pounds

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pounds Seven shillings and four pence sterling to the order of the said John Mayhew and Comp^y and the said John and Comp^y in fact say that the said Thomas and Timothy after twenty days sight of the said third bill and notice as aforesaid thereto not paid to the said John and Comp^y in their said order the said sum of Seventeen pounds Seven shillings and four pence sterling and that for want of payment thereof the said John and Company after twenty days sight of the said third bill of Exchange by the said Thomas and Timothy on the twenty fifth day of August in the year Seventeen hundred and nine aforesaid at London aforesaid in Anne County aforesaid protested the said third bill of Exchange the first and second of the same tenor and date not being paid according to the Custom of Merchants aforesaid whereof the said Thomas and Timothy at the said day and place in the year last mentioned Fourteen hundred and Nine in Consideration whereof and of the Customs aforesaid the said Thomas and Timothy the day year and place last above mentioned upon themselves assumed and to the said John and Company then and there faithfully promised that they the said Thomas and Timothy the aforesaid sum of Seventeen pounds Seven shillings and four pence stg to the said John and Company when after thereunto required would well and truly content and pay or else the said Thomas and Timothy therefrom aforesaid not regarding but unmindful and fraudulently intending the said John Mayhew & Comp^y in this part craftily & subtilly to deceive and defraud the aforesaid sum of Seventeen pounds Seven shillings and four pence stg to the said John and Company when afterwards thereunto required the first day of August Anno Domi Seventeen hundred and Nine at the County aforesaid hath not paid but the same to them to pay hath refused & still doth refuse to the damage of the said John & Company of thirty four pounds stg and therefore they bring this suit &c Damages 40^s

And the said Eliz^a Keech by Richd Dallam her attorney comes and defends the Force and Injury when &c and prays Leave to imparle hereunto until the next Court &c which is granted & the same day is given to the pltffs &c Att wch said next Court (to wit) the 17 day of July Anno Domi 1711 Come again as well the said John Mayhew and Comp^y by their said attorney as also the said Eliz^a Keech by her attorney aforesaid and the said Eliz^a Keech by her said attorney prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until the next Court and the said Ralph is the same day & with to the pltffs so Att which said next Court (to wit) the second day of Octr Anno Domi 1711 Come again as well the said John Mayhew & Company by their attorney aforesaid as also the said Eliz^a Keech by her said attorney as before doth defend the Force and Injury when &c and saith that the said Mayhew and Comp^y their action aforesaid against her to have and maintain ought not because the said saith that by an act of Assembly made at a general Assembly begun and held at the Port of Annapolis in Anne County the 5th day of September in the third year of the Mag^ty's reign that now is Anno Domi 1704 Entitled an act providing what shall be good Evidence to prove foreign debts to prevent Vexations and unnecessary suits at Law and pleadings specifying (as)