Therefore Commands is given to the Sheriff of Kent Anundel County that he Cause to come before the Justices of the Prov.ll Court at Annapolis the third Tuesday of October next or before the Justices Appointed to take the Assizes in his County of Kent Shall before that time be sent on Monday the Twelfth Day of September next to the County house in his County Comm twelve good & Lawfull men of his Bailywick by whom &c who neither &c to recognize &c because as well &c

Afterwards the Process Continued between the parties aforesd. on the plea aforesd by the Jury being put thereon in Respect. thereof until the third Tuesday of October next / unless the Justices of his Lordships the Lord Proprs. to take the Assizes in the said County should Come — And now here at this Day / to wit / the said third Tuesday of October being the Day of the same Month Anno Dom.i 1726 Comes again into his Lordships Prov.ll Court here as well the said plff as the said Deft by their Attorneys aforesd and the Justices of Assize before whom &c said here their record before them had in these words Viz.t —

Afterwards / to wit / the Day and place above mentioned before Thomas Addison Esq.r one of his Lordships Justices of the Prov.ll Court of this Province and Philip Lee Esq.r one other of the Justices of the said Court Assigned / to take the Assizes in Ann.e County / According to the Form of the Statute &c Came the within named Buchler Barridge by Joshua George his Attorney and the said William Smith by Daniel Dulany his Attorney & the Jurors of that Jury whereof mention is above made being called Likewise Come / to wit / Philip Dowell, Robert Boone, Henry Wright, Wm Folman, Richard Todd, Samll Jacobs, Abel Hill, Ferdinando Batts, Nicholas Watkins, Robt Brown, John Merihen, & James Hall who being duly Elected tryed & Sworn / to say the truth in the premisses upon their oath do say that — In Action was commenced by Buchler Barridge and Company against Edward Cox in Baltimore County Court the Record whereof followeth in these words Viz.t Maryland ss —

In the Records of Baltimore County is contained as followeth Viz.t At a Court of the Right Honble Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore Absolute Lord & Proprty of the Province of Maryland & Avalon &c Begun & held at the Town of Joppa in and for Baltimore County the first Tuesday of November It being the third Day of the same Month in the Ninth Year of his Lordships Dominion Anno Dom.i 1724 And there Continued until and held on the Seventh Day of the same Month by his said Lordships Justices and Officers Appointed & Authorized to hold the same Court Viz.t —

Coll.o James Maxwell

Present —

The Worshipfull { Major Luke Hanson, Capt.n James Todd, Mr.r John Cockey } { Coll.o John Dorsey, Mr.r Daniel Scott, Mr.r Edward Hall } Gent.: Justices —

William Smith Sheriff —

Buchler Barridge & Comp.a } Command was given to the Sheriff of Baltimore County the —
Edward Cox — }

Eighth Day of August in the Ninth year of the Dominion of the Right Honble Charles Lord Baron

Baron of Baltimore Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon Anno Dom.i Seventeen Hundred & Twenty four that he Shoud Take Edward Cox of Baltimore County Planter otherwise called Edward Cox of Baltimore County Planter if he Should be found in his Bailywick and him Safe Keep so that he might have his body before the Justices of our County aforesd at a Court to be held at Joppa the first Tuesday of November then next to Answer unto Buchler Partridge & Comp.a of the City of Bristole Merchants of a plea that he render unto them the full Sum & Quantity of Eight Thousand three hundred Sixty pounds of Tobo in Cask Seasoned Cask to Contain the same which from them he unjustly Detained and also of the said Sheriff was not to said at his peril at which said Court on the same first Tuesday of November aforesd that is to say Now on this Day / to wit / the third Day of November in the year aforesaid at Joppa aforesaid here Comes as well the said Buchler & Comp.a by Daniel Dulany their Attorney &c the said Sheriff who returns the said precept. Indorsd. Copi Edmd Phillip Smith Sheriff Baltimore County Whereupon the said Edward Cox personal here in Court is at the prayer of the said Buchler & Comp.a by their Attorney aforesd Inlarged to give Special Bail to the Action aforesd of the plea aforesd, But for want thereof the said Edward is Committed into the Custody of the Sheriff of Baltimore County / to wit / Edm.d Phillip Smith Gent. there to remain until &c but afterwards in the same Court Thomas Hutchins and Michael Gormacon of Baltimore County Planters undertake for the said Edward Cox that in Case the said Buchler & Comp.a Shall recover Judgment against the said Edward in the plea aforesaid &c that he the said Edward Shall be Convict that then the same Edward Shall pay the Condemnation of the Court and all Costs Recovering thereon or render his Body to the Custody of the Sheriff of Baltimore County In Satisfaction thereof or that they the said Thomas & Michael or one of them or one of them will do it. for him otherwise that they the said Edward is from the Commitment aforesaid Recording Discharged and thereupon the said Buchler & Comp.a Declaring against the said Edward in the plea aforesaid by Daniel Dulany their Attorney say that whereas the said Edward the Twenty fourth Day of October Anno Dom.i Seventeen hundred & Twenty at Baltimore County aforesaid by his Certain Writing Obligatory Granted himself to be held & firmly bound unto the said Buchler and Comp.a in the full Sum & Quantity of Eight thousand three hundred Sixty four pounds of Tobo in the Way way Cask Qualified Merchantable Leaf Tobo in Cask Seasoned Cask to Contain the same to be paid to the said Buchler when thereunto Required Nevertheless the said Edward the said Eight Thousand three hundred and Sixty four pounds of Tobo or any part thereof to the said Buchler & Comp.a hath not rendered or paid altho often thereunto Required but the same to them or either of them to Content or pay hath refused and still doth refuse Whereby the said Buchler & Comp.a say they are the worse and have Damage to the value of two thousand pounds of Tobo & therefore they bring their Suit &c and they bring here into Court the Writing aforesd which the Deft aforesd in form aforesd Testifies the Date whereof is the Day & year aforesd & profers &c John Doe and Richard Roe And the said Edward by Alexander Frazer his Attorney comes & Defends the force & Injury when &c and prays a hearing of the writing aforesd which is read unto him he also prays a hearing the Condition of the same Writing and

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