the same Jonathan Howard then Residing and using Commerce in London in the Kingdom of Great Britain to wit, at Ann Arundel County afs.) and by the same Bill requested the said Jonathan Howard at thirty Days Sight thereof his Second and third not paid to pay unto the said John Prichard or Order the sum of five hundred and Twenty eight pounds Two Shillings and Seven pence three farthings Sterling for Value received and place the same to the account of the ~~account of the~~ said Richard Snowden which said first Bill so as aforesaid made Subscribed and Directed by the Order and for the use of the said John Prichard in his lifetime after the making thereof to wit, the third Day of March Anno Dom. Seventeen hundred and thirty seven at London afs. to wit at Ann Arundel County afs. was Exhibitted and Shewn to the said Jonathan Howard and the said Jonathan Howard was then and there by the Order afs. according to the use and Custom of Merchants afs. Requested to accept and pay the same Bill to the Order of the said John Prichard in his lifetime the said Jonathan Howard having before that time had thirty Days Sight thereof at London afs. to wit, at Ann Arundel County afs. and the second or third of the same Bills or any of them not being paid nor accepted and the same Jonathan Howard then and there always hitherto hath refused to accept or pay the same first Bill and hath not accepted the same nor paid the Contents thereof to the said John Prichard in his lifetime or Order according to the use and Custom of Merchants afs. But afterwards to wit, the afs. third day of March Anno Dom. Seventeen hundred and thirty seven afs. at London afs. to wit at Ann Arundel County afs. the afs. first Bill of Exchange according to the use and Custom of Merchants afs. was Protested, by reason of the non acceptance and nonpayment whereof the said Richard Snowden the tenth Day of June Anno Dom. Seventeen hundred and thirty eight at Ann Arundel County afs. had notice by Protest of which Premises the afores.d Richard Snowden became and was Chargeable to pay to the aforesaid John Prichard in his lifetime and the said five hundred and Twenty eight Pounds two Shillings and Seven pence three farthings Sterling in the afs. Bill of Exchange mentioned with all Lawfull Costs damages and Interest by the said John Prichard in his lifetime Suffered and Sustained for want of the due acceptance of the said first Bill of Exchange and by Occasion of Nonpayment of the Contents thereof to the said John Prichard in his lifetime or Order And thereupon the said Richard Snowden afterwards to wit, the fifteenth Day of June Anno Dom. Seventeen hundred and thirty eight afs.d at Ann Arundel County afs. in Consideration of the Premises assumed upon himself and to the said John Prichard in his lifetime then and there faithfully Promised that he the said Richard Snowden the said sum of five hundred and twenty eight pounds two Shillings and Seven pence three farthings Sterling with all Lawfull Costs damages and Interest by the said John Prichard in his lifetime Suffered and Sustained by Occasion of the non acceptance of the said first Bill and nonpayment of the Contents thereof when he should be afterwards thereunto required would well and truly Content and pay, and the said Rebecca Tilley in fact Says that the damages and Interest of him the said John Prichard in his lifetime by the afs. Occasion amounts unto the sum of Twenty nine pounds four Shillings and four pence half penny Sterling whereof the said John Prichard the Day and Place last above mentioned to the afs. Richard Snowden gave Notice, Nevertheless the aforesaid Richard Snowden his Promise and Assumption afs. not regarding but minding and fraudulently intending him the said John Prichard in his lifetime and the afs. Rebecca Tilley after the Death of the said John Prichard in this part Craftily and Subtilly to Deceive and Defraud the said five hund.d and Twenty eight pounds two Shillings and Seven pence three farthings Sterling afs. together with the Damages and Interest afs. which in the whole amounts to the sum of Six hundred and Seven pounds Seven Shillings and One farthing Sterling afs. to the afs. John

(Prichard)



Prichard in his lifetime or to the said Rebecca Tilley after the Death of the said John Prichard hath not paid nor the said John Prichard in his lifetime or the afs. Rebecca Tilley after the Death of the said John Prichard for the same in any wise Contented although so do the afs. Richard Snowden by the afs. John Prichard in his lifetime and by the afs. Rebecca Tilley after the Death of the said John Prichard to wit, on the tenth Day of April Anno Dom. Seventeen hundred and forty Two at Ann Arundel County afs. he hath been requested he hath not Paid but the same to the said Rebecca Tilley hitherto to pay or her for the same in any wise to content hath altogether Refused and the said Richard Snowden still Doth refuse to the damage of the said Rebecca Tilley Twelve hundred pounds Sterling money afs. and thereof she brings the suit &c. And she brings here into Court the Letters Testatentary of the said John Prichard by which said Letters it Plainly appears to the Court here the said Rebecca Tilley to be Executrix of the last Will and Testament afs. and thereupon to have the Administration &c. Pledges &c. John Doe and Rich.d Roe

A Copy of which aforegoing Declaration was made and sent with the Writ in the Plea afs.

At which said Second Tuesday of October to wit, the 12th Day of the same Month Anno Dom. 1742 being the Day of the Return of the aforegoing Writ Comes the said Rebecca Tilley &c as afs. by her Attorney afs. And the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to whom the same Writ was directed likewise Comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorst Viz.t Cepi Copy Served in time &c Samuel Smith Sher.

And the said Richard Snowden by Daniel Dulany his Attorney Comes and Defends the force and Injury when &c. and prays leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit, the 17th Day of May Anno Dom. 1743. Come again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defend.t by his said Attorney prays further leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to the Plaintiff also

At which said next Coult to wit, the 18th Day of October Anno Dom. 1743. Come again the said Parties Plf.t and Defend.t by their Attorneys afs. and the said Def.t by his said Attorney prays further leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to the Plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit, the 10th Day of April Anno Dom. 1744. Come again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defend.t by their Attorneys afs. and the said Defend.t by his said Attorney prays further leave to imparle hereunto untill next Court and he hath it and the same Day is given to the Plaintiff also

At which said next Court ~~to which said next Court~~ to wit, the 11th Day of September Anno Dom. 1744. Comes again as well the said Rebecca Tilley by her Attorney afs. as the said Richard Snowden by his Attorney afs. and the said Richard Snowden by his said Attorney as before defends the force and Injury when &c. and saith that he did not assume upon himself in manner and form so do the afs. Rebecca Tilley &c as afs. above against him hath Declared, and of this he puts himself upon the County. And the Plf.t also

Whereupon Command is given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he immediately Cause to Come here twelve &c. by whom &c who neither &c to recognize &c because as well &c. of which said Precept the said Sheriff to wit. Samuel Smith afors.d makes return that he has here ready twelve &c. as by his said Precept he was Commanded to wit, John Ramsay, John Bordley, John Woolford, Richard Tootell, John Spencer, Isaac Williams, James Hearsley, Ezekiel Gillis, Charles Hynson Jun.r Ashbury Sutton, Ephraim Howard and Thomas Lusby who being duly Elected tried and Sworn to say the truth in the Premises and from the Bar here retired to Consider of their Verdict thereupon to be given, and on this account between themselves Consulted and agreed, and to give that Verdict they returned to the Court here, Upon which the afs. Rebecca Tilley altho' Solemnly Called Comes not but makes Default nor does she further Prosecute her Writ against the said Richard Snowden in the Plea aforesaid.

(Therefore)