Baltimore County ss. At a Court of the Right Honble. Charles Absolute Lord and Propry. of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. begun and held at the Town of Joppa in and for Baltimore County aforesd on the first Tuesday of March it being the sixth day of the same Month in the thirty fifth Year of his said Lordships Dominion &c. and in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred and forty nine (and there continued until and held on the Ninth day of the same Month) by and before his Lordships Justices and other Officers thereunto duly Authorized & Qualified Viz.

The Worshipfull { Thomas Sheredine, William Smith, Parker Hall, Samuel Owings, Thomas Franklin, William Dallam, Charles Ridgely, Darby Lux, William Young, Richard Dallam, John Paca, John Matthews } Gentlemen Justices

Roger Boyce Sheriff . . . . . Talbot Risteau Esq.

Thomas Sligh } Habeas Corpus Produced and Allowed
Walter Dallas Adm. of Charles Crooke } Be it Remembered that heretofore to wit the third Day of August in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and forty nine Command was given to the Sheriff of Baltimore County that he should take Walter Dallas late of Balt. County Planter Adm. of the Goods & Chattels Rights and Credits which were of Charles Crook late of the same County deceased at the time of his Death, if found in his Bailiwick him safe should keep so that he should have his Body before the Justices of the same County at a Court to be held at the Town of Joppa on the first Tuesday of November then next to Answer unto Thomas Sligh in a Plea of Trespass upon the Case &c.

And on the first Tuesday of November aforesd being the seventh day of the same Month in the Year aforesd at Joppa aforesd came the said Sheriff to whom the aforesd Precept was directed to wit Roger Boyce Gentleman who returned that he had taken the Body of the said Walter Dallas Adm. aforesd and had him ready to Answer unto the said Thomas Sligh in the Plea aforesaid as he was Commanded

And Whereupon the same Thomas by Stephen Bordley his Attorney Complains — That Whereas the aforesd Charles in his life time to wit on the twenty first Day of January in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and forty eight at Baltimore County aforesd was — Indebted to the said Thomas in the several Sums of three Thousand four hundred and seventy Pounds of Tobacco and nineteen Pounds four Shillings and two Pence Current Money for sundry matters Properly Chargeable in an Account as by a Particular Acct. thereof herewith into Court brought may appear, And being so thereof Indebted he the aforesd Charles in his life time afterwards to wit on the day and Year aforesd at Baltimore County aforesd in Consideration thereof upon himself Assumed and to the said Thomas then and there faithfully Promised that he the aforesd Charles the aforesd Several Sums of Tobacco & Money to him the said Thomas when afterwards he should be thereunto required would well & truly Content and pay And Whereas also the aforesd Charles in his lifetime afterwards to wit on the day and Year aforesd at Baltimore County aforesd accounted together with him the said Thomas of and concerning divers other Sums of Tobacco and Money to him the said Thomas by the aforesd Charles in his lifetime before that time due and unpaid And upon the accounting aforesd the aforesd Charles in his lifetime was found in Arrear to him the said Thomas in the several other Sums of three Thousand four hundred and seventy Pounds of Tobacco and nineteen Pounds four Shillings and two Pence Current Money And so being found in Arrear the aforesd Charles in his life time in Consideration thereof

(afterwards)

afterwards to wit on the day and Year last aforesd at the County aforesd upon himself Assumed and to the said Thomas then & there faithfully Promised that he the aforesd Charles the last aforesd Several Sums of Tobacco and Money to him the said Thomas when afterwards he should be thereunto required would well and truly Content and Pay Nevertheless the aforesd Charles in his lifetime and the aforesd Walter since the Death of him the said Charles (to which said Walter the Administration of all & singular the Goods and Chattels which were of the aforesd Charles at the time of his Death was after the Death of him the said Charles in due form of Law at Baltimore County aforesd Committed) the several Promises and Assumptions of him the said Charles in his lifetime so as aforesd made not regarding but minding and fraudulently Intending him the said Thomas in this behalf Craftily & Subtilly to deceive and defraud the aforesd several Sums of Tobacco and Money or any part of them or either of them neither the aforesd Charles in his lifetime nor the said Walter since the Death of him the said Charles to him the said Thomas hath not Contented & paid (altho' so to do the aforesd Charles — in his lifetime afterwards to wit on the day and Year last aforesd at Baltimore County aforesd and the aforesd Walter since the Death of him the said Charles and since the Granting the Administration as aforesaid to wit on the second Day of August in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred & forty nine and often afterwards at the County aforesd were by the said Thomas requested but the same or any part of them or either of them to Content or pay they have altogether refused and still doth refuse to the Damage of him the said Thomas in the Sums of five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco and forty Pounds Current Money aforesd and therefore he brings Suit &c.

Pledges &c. John Doe & Richd Roe

1744/5.	Mr. Charles Crook		Dr.			Cr.
March 11.th	To Balls due to me p. your Acct settled	Tobo.	Stg. £ 25. 0. 0.	Cur.y		
19.	To a pr. of Shoes			" 9. 0		
	To a Quire of Paper			1. 6		
	To Cash Stg. paid Major Snredine L. R.			" 16. 11		
	To your part of Betty's Inheritance	1000.				
	To your part of Wright's Kept	1000.				
	To Cash paid Mr. Franklin Alion's your part			" 2. 0		
June 1.	To one pr. Silk Stockings			1. 10. 0		
27.	To 7 1/2 Yds of Sipt. Holland 2/6.			2. 0. 9		
	To a Dunce of Nuns thread			" 3.		
	To a Skeane of Silk			" 1.		
Sept. 2.	To a Quart of Rum			" 2. 6.		
24.	To Cash			2. 0. 0		
		2000.	£ 25. 19. 11	£ 6. 15. 9		

						Cr.
	Contra					Cur.y
	By Cash paid Mr. Crosse				£	6. 2. 1
	By a fine Hatt					1. 10. 0
	By 12 Yds Lambrick					1. 10. 0
May 6.th	By my Order on Mr. Tell					6. 6. 6
	By ditto on Doct. Carroll					20. 0. 0
						35. 9. 7
Jan.y	By my Order Richd (Chisworth)					4. 1. 0
						39. 9. 7
May 7.th	By Ballance due to me	Tobo 2000			£	19. 4. 2
		2000			£	59. 13. 9.

May y.e 7.th 1746. Errors Excepted p me Thos. Sligh

1746.			
May 7.th	To Ballance Acct. brought over	2000 Tobo	£ 19. 4. 2 Cur.y
Aug.t 6.th	To Tobacco paid Thos. Penny your part	600	
Oct. 4.	To Search of Richardsons Will your part	70	
		3470.	£ 19. 4. 2

Mr. Crook . . . . . Dr.
To Tobacco due to me . . . 3470
To ditto Cash . . . . . £ 19. 4. 2

I Acknowledge this Account to be Just Chas Crooke

Jan.y 21.st 1746/9

On the day above Written I saw Charles Crook sign the above Acct. and heard him Acknowledge the Ballance to be due

p. J Stansbury

(Balt.)