To the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County Greeting Whereas at a Provincial Court held at the City of Annapolis in Ann Arundel County afsd in and for the Province of Maryland on the Eighth day of September in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Sixty one before John Brice Esqr Chief Justice of our Said Court and others his Associates then Justices of the same Court a certain John Ross had Sued and impleaded a certain Henry Rhodes the Younger late of Frederick County Farmer in a Plea of Trespass upon the Case &c whereas for that whereas on the first day of December in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred & fifty three at the County aforesaid a certain Discourse and treaty was had and received on the Behalf of the Said John and the Said Henry of and concerning Hog Meat and the Price it then bore and thereupon it was then and there agreed between them that the said Henry should deliver to the Said John at the House of the Said John three thousand and two hundred Pounds of Hog meat at the Price of Twenty two Shillings and Six pence for every and each hundred weight of the Said Meat to be paid by the Said John the said three thousand and two hundred Pounds of Meat to be delivered by the said Henry as aforesaid on the Thursday next after Christmas in the Said Year or in Case of bad weather on the Friday next after the Said Thursday after Christmas And thereupon the Said Jn° assumed upon himself and then and there faithfully promised the Said Henry that he the S.d John would pay unto the Said Henry the Price afd according to the Terms of the Agreement aforesaid And in consideration thereof the Said Henry then and there promised the said John that he the Said Henry would deliver to the Said John the afd three thousand and two hundred Pounds of Meat according to the Terms of the Agreement aforesaid Yet the Said Henry his Promise and aforesaid not regarding but intending to deceive and defraud the Said John in this Part had not at any Time delivered to the Said John the afd Meat or any Part thereof according to the Terms of the Agreement afd tho' the Said John had always been willing to pay the Price aforesaid according to the agreement aforesaid but he the said Henry wholly had omitted and refused to do the same To the Damage of the Said John fifty Pounds and thereof he brought Suit &c It was therefore so far proceeded in our said Court that the Said John Ross should recover against the Said Henry Rhodes his Damages by Occasion of the Premisses afd But because it was unknown to our Said Judges what Damages he had Sustained by Occasion afd We therefore command you that you cause to come before the Justices of our Provincial Court to be held at Annapolis the Second Tuesday of April next Twelve good and lawful Men of your Bailiwick by whose Oath it shall then and there be diligently enquired what Damages he hath Sustained by Reason of the Premisses besides his Costs and Charges by him about his Suit laid out and Expended and have you then and there the Names of that Jury and this Writ Witness John Brice Esqr Chief Justice of our Provincial Court the Twenty sixth day of September in the Eleventh Year of our Dominion &c Anno Domini 1761

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At which Said Second Tuesday of April to wit the 13th day of the same Month 1762 being the day of the Return of the aforegoing Writ comes the Said John Ross by Thomas Johnson his Attorney and the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County to whom said Writ was directed also comes and makes Return thereof to the Court here thus indorsed to wit

Summoned, Nicholas Maccubbin, Charles Wallace, Nathaniel Adams, Robt Swan, William Read Junr, John Coates, John Campbell, Thos Hodgkin, Benj.a Beall, Jonas Green, Joshua Frazier & Charles Drury

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And the said Nicholas Maccubbin, Charles Wallace, Nathaniel Adams, Robert Swan, William Read Junr, John Coates, John Campbell, Thomas Hodgkin, Benj.a Beall, Jonas Green, Joshua Frazier and Charles Drury in the afd return mentioned being called appear here in Court and after being Duly Tried and Sworn to say the Truth in the Premisses upon their Oath do say that the Said John Ross the plaintiff hath Sustained Damages by Reason of the Premisses besides his Costs and Charges to the Sum of Six Pounds and Eight Shillings Maryld Currency Therefore it is considered that the Said John Ross do recover against the Said Henry Rhodes his Damages aforsd to the Sum of Six Pounds and Eight Shillings Current Money by the Jurors aforsd in manner and form aforesaid unto him assessed as also the Sum of One thousand three hundred and thirty four Pounds of Tobacco for his costs and Charges by him about his Suit in that Behalf laid out and Expended by the Same John Ross by the Same Court nowhere with his assent adjudged and the afd Henry Rhodes in Mercy and &c

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G. G. Reese Meredith
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Daniel Fox

Memorandum. The plaintiff Sued out his Lordships Writ of Attachment the Tenor whereof follows in these words to wit Maryland ss Frederick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore and &c To the Sheriff of Baltimore County Greeting We command you that you Attach any of the Goods Chattels Rights or Credits Lands or Tenements of Daniel Fox late of Kent County Merchant if they shall be found in your Bailiwick to the value of Six hundred and thirty Six Pounds Six Shillings Current Money of Pennsylvania of the Value of Six hundred and thirty Six Pounds Six Shillings Current Money of Maryland and Eight Thousand Pounds of Tobacco and when you have the same so Attached or any Part thereof the Same in your Custody safe keep So that you have the Same before the Justices of our Provincial Court to be held at Annapolis the Second Tuesday of April next then and there to be condemned according to Act of Assembly to and for the Use of a certain Reese Meredith unless he the said Daniel Fox by himself or his Attorney shall appear and Answer unto the said Reese Meredith of a Plea of Trespass upon the Case and &c and that by good and Lawful Men of your Bailiwick you make known unto the Person or Persons in whose hands you make the Same Attachment that he she or they be and appear before the Justices of our Provincial Court to be held as aforesaid to shew Cause if any he she or they have why the Same Goods Chattels Rights or Credits Lands or Tenements so Attached in his her or their hands ought not to be condemned and Execution thereof had and made according to the direction of an Act of Assembly in that Case made and