aforesaid as the said Halbert Hanson by his Attorney aforesaid and the said Halbert Hanson by his said Attorney (as before) defends the Force and Injury when and so forth and saith that he is not Guilty of the Premises above on him imposed as the aforesaid Samuel above hath complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country and the aforesaid Samuel in like Manner and so forth –

And the aforesaid Halbert by Leave of the Court here and according to the Form of the Statute in such Case lately made and provided further defends the Force and Injury when and so forth and saith that the aforesaid Samuel his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have or maintain ought not because he saith that the Original Writ of him the said Samuel was exhibited on the Day of and not before and that the Cause of Action upon which the aforesaid Samuel against the aforesaid Halbert above hath declared did not accrue within three Years next before the Impetration of his Original Writ aforesaid and this he is ready to Verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the aforesaid Samuel his Action aforesaid thereof against him to have or maintain ought and so forth –

And as to the second plea of him the said Halbert above pleaded he saith that he the said Samuel for any thing by the said Halbert in his said second plea alledged from having or maintaining his Action aforesaid against him the said Halbert to be precluded ought not because he saith that the Cause of Action aforesaid of him the said Samuel against him the said Halbert in his Declaration aforesaid alledged did accrue within three Years next before the Impetration of his Original Writ aforesaid to wit at the County aforesaid and this he prays may be enquired of by the Country and so forth and the aforesaid Halbert in like Manner and so forth – Whereupon this Cause standing for Tryal this Court at the request of both Parties Plaintiff and Defendant and by their Consent it is Ordered by the Court here that the same be Referred to Robert Gordon and

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Thomas Richardson and if they disagree they to choose a third Person and it is further Ordered that the Arbitrators aforesaid make their Award in Writing under their Hands and Seals and Return the same to this Court and Judgment to be Entered according to such Award and be final between the said Parties With full Power to Examine Witnesses upon Oath by Consent of Parties Plaintiff and Defendant – And the Arbitrators aforesaid pursuant to the Order aforesaid Return to the Court here the following Award to wit,

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Pl. George Picket
against
Def. James Carey

} Ann Arundel County

to wit James Carey late of Ann Arundel County planter was attached to answer unto George Picket of a plea wherefore with Force and Arms and so forth he the said James upon him the said George at the County aforesaid an Assault did make and him did beat wound evilly

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