Saint Thomas Senior so as aforesaid against him brought nor but that the Writing Obligatory and is the deed of him the said William Knapp nor but that he owes to the said Robert Christie and Daniel of Saint Thomas Senior the aforesaid Sum of one hundred and forty two Pounds sixteen Shillings current Money of Maryland in manner and form so as the aforesaid Robert Christie and Daniel of Saint Thomas Senior above against him have Declared Therefore it is considered by the Justices here that the said Robert Christie and Daniel of Saint Thomas Senior recover against the said William Knapp as well the Sum of One Hundred and forty two Pounds sixteen Shillings current Money of Maryland their Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed as also the Sum of

Pounds of Tobacco by the Court here unto them on their Agreed Adjudged as well for their Damages which they have sustained by means of Detaining that Debt as for their Costs and Charges by them about their Suit in this Behalf laid out and Expended and the said Defendant in Mercy and so forth Mem.d The Plaintiffs Agree to take Dollars at 7/6 Penalty released upon Payment of Principal Interest with Stay Execution til October Term

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Samuel Chapman
vs
John Shaw

In Anne Arundel County to wit John Shaw late of Ann Arundel County Doctor in Physick was attached to Answer unto Samuel Chapman in a plea wherefore with force and Arms and so forth he the said John upon him the said Samuel at the County aforesaid an Assault did make and him the said Samuel did beat wound mayhem and willy treat so that his Life was greatly despaired of and other Harms to him the said Samuel did to the great Damage of him the said Samuel and against the Peace of the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary that now is &c. And Whereupon the said Samuel by Thomas Johnson Junior his Attorney complains that the aforesaid John on the Tenth day of July in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and sixty three with force and Arms and so forth to wit Swords Cudgells Fists and Knives upon him the said Samuel at Ann Arundel County aforesaid an Assault did make and him the said Samuel then and there did beat wound Mayhem and willy treat to wit by giving him the said Samuel many and grievous Wounds in and upon the Head Face and Eyes of him the said Samuel that the left Eye of him the said Samuel by the beating and Wounding aforesaid Altogether perished and became Totally blind and so that the Life of him the said Samuel was greatly despaired of and other Harms to him the said Samuel then and there did to the great Damage of him the said Samuel and against the peace of the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary that now is his good Rule and Government wherefore the said Samuel saith he is the Worse and hath Damage to the Value of one Thousand Pounds current Money and therefore he brings Suit and so forth Pledges &c. &c. John Doe and Richard Roe. And the said John Shaw by William Paca his Attorney comes &c. Defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays Leave to imparle hereunto until &c. Heard 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 Domini 1765 come again the said parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the Plaintiff also At which said next Court to wit the 11th day of September Anno Domini 1765 come again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the

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same day is given to the Plaintiff also At which said next Court to wit the 9th day of April Anno Dom 1765 come again the said Parties Plaintiff and Defendant by their Attornies aforesaid And the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to imparle hereunto until 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 September Anno Dominii 1765 comes again as well the said Plaintiff as the said Defendant by their respective Attornies aforesaid and suggest to the Court now here that a Material Witness in this Cause is beyond Seas and therefore prays a further Day may be given them for the Tryal thereof Whereupon with consent of the parties aforesaid day is given to the same parties here &c. for the Tryal of this Cause until the second Tuesday of April next and so forth At which said second Tuesday of April being the 8th day of the same Month Anno Domini 1766 comes here again as well the said Samuel Chapman by his Attorney aforesaid as the said John Shaw by his Attorney aforesaid and the said John Shaw by his said Attorney as before defends the force and injury when and so forth and saith that he is not Guilty of the Trespass and Assault aforesaid as the aforesaid Samuel hath above against him complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country and so forth And the said Samuel Chapman in like Manner &c. So forth And the aforesaid John by Leave of the Court here and according to the Form of the Statute in such Case made and provided further defends the force and injury when and so forth and as to the coming with force and Arms or any other Matter against the peace of the Lord Proprietary that now is by him the said Samuel in the Declaration aforesaid above supposed to be done the said John saith that he is not Guilty thereof in Manner and form as the said Samuel above against him hath complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country and so forth And the said Samuel Chapman in like manner &c. So forth And as to the Residue of the Trespass and Assault aforesaid above supposed to be done the aforesaid John saith that the aforesaid Samuel his Action aforesaid thereof against him ought not to have or Maintain because he saith that the aforesaid Samuel on the Day and Year aforesaid in the Declaration of him the said Samuel above specified at Ann Arundel County aforesaid upon him the said John an Assault did make and him the said John would then and there have beaten wounded and willy treated unless the said John himself against the said Samuel had then and there Speedily defended and so the said John says that the Evil or Damage if any did then and there happen to the said Samuel was from the proper Assault of him the said Samuel and in Defence of him the said John and this he is ready to verify and so forth Wherefore he prays Judgment if the said Samuel his Action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought &c. So forth And the aforesaid Samuel saith that he from having and Maintaining his Action aforesaid to be precluded ought because he saith that the aforesaid John on the Day and Year aforesaid with Force and Arms and so forth of his own proper Injury without such Cause as the same John hath above in pleading alledged in and upon the aforesaid Samuel an Assault did make and him did beat wound main and willy treat in Manner and form as he the aforesaid Samuel above against him hath complained And this he prays may be enquired of by the Country and so forth And the aforesaid John Shaw in like manner and so forth Whereupon for trying the issue aforesaid Command is given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he immediately cause to come here twelve good and Lawfull Men of his Bailiwick by whom &c. who neither &c. to Recognize &c. because as well &c. of which said Precept the said Sheriff to wit Joseph Galloway Esquire &c. make return that he has here ready twelve &c. as by his said Precept he was Commanded to wit Nathan Hammond David Carlyle Edward Neale Addison Murdock Stephen Ward William Handy John Waters Zachariah Campbell Lemon Worrel Henry Hooper John Hudson Junior and Thomas Lee Junior who being duly Elected Tryed and Sworn to say the Truth in the

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