their agent for their costs and charges which they have sustained by reason of the delay of the execution of the Judgment aforesaid, by pretence of the prosecution of the said Appeal by the said Caroline M. Blanch, Jemima, Elizabeth Ann, Araminta and Sarah Matilda Coppin for the correcting of errors of and upon the premises as aforesaid prosecuted &c

Memorandum. Judgment was affirmed in this case on the 15th day of June 1824 damages Awarded for $17.485. Costs in County Court & $46.25. Costs in Court of Appeals — And the Court affix here their Opinion in Writing as follows towit.

Coppin — vs. Poole Lessee } Opinion of the Court delivered by Buchanan J.

The only question properly presented to the consideration of this Court in the Bill of Exception as taken at the trial below is, whether John Coppin the younger and Ann Coppin, who were born out of Wedlock, were under the 4th Sec. of the Act of 1786. ch. 45. the act directing descents legitimated by the subsequent intermarriage between their Mother and father James Coppin the elder; and it is perfectly clear that they were not, the marriage having taken place before the passage of that Act of Assembly which is in these words, "if any man shall have one or more children by any woman whom he shall afterwards marry, such child or children, if acknowledged by the man shall in virtue of such marriage and acknowledgement be hereby legitimate &c" and is entirely prospective — It follows therefore of course James Coppin the elder having died in the year 1784 and his brother John Coppin the elder in 1785 both before the passage of the Act to direct descents, and the several Devisees for life of John Coppin the elder, being also dead, that the reversion in fee in the premises in question descended to James Coppin the younger the son of James the elder, who was born after the marriage of his father & mother, as heir at law of John Coppin the elder to the exclusion of his sister Sarah Matilda born also in Wedlock, and that the Lessors of the plaintiff who are proved to be the heirs at law of James Coppin the younger are entitled to recover — The Judgt is affirmed with Costs. —

Attest Samr Barratt Clk.

Thomas Dawson vs Jesse Jones — } Be it remembered that on the first Monday in June, being the second day of the said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three, the Chief Judge and Associate Judges of the second Judicial District of Maryland in pursuance of the directions of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided transmit to the Court of Appeals here the record of proceedings of a plea which was lately depending before them in the County Court of Kent, between Thomas Dawson Plaintiff and Jesse Jones Defendant and wherein the said County Court gave Judgment for the said Thomas Dawson against the said Jesse Jones, and from which said Judgment the said Jesse Jones appealed to the Court of Appeals here, the tenor of which said record of proceedings is in form following towit. Maryland Kent County ss. At a County Court of the second Judicial District of the State of Maryland begun and held at the Court House in Chestertown in and for the said County of Kent on the third Monday of March, being the seventeenth day of the said month in the year Eighteen hundred and twenty three, and in the forty seventh year of the Independence of the United States of America. Were present Richard Tilghman Earle Chief Judge — Samuel Purnell Associate Judge —

Edward Brown Esquire Sheriff an. Thomas Worrell Clk

In the record of proceedings of the said Court, among other things and the following towit

C. Thomas Dawson vs Wm Jesse Jones — } Be it remembered that heretofore, towit, on the second day of February in the year Eighteen hundred and twenty two, the said Thomas Dawson by William Carmichael Esquire his Attorney, prosecuted and sued forth out of the County Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland of Capias ad respondendum against the said Jesse Jones, directed to the Sheriff of Kent County in the following words & figures towit

Kent County Sct. The State of Maryland to the Sheriff of Kent County Greeting: We command you that you take Jesse Jones late of Kent County, if he shall be found in your bailiwick and him safe keep so that you have his body before the County Court to be held at the Court House in the Town of Chester in and for the said County of Kent on the third Monday of March next, to answer unto Thomas Dawson in a plea that he render unto him the sum of Five hundred and fifty dollars current money which to him he owes, and unjustly detains and so forth. And of this fail not at your peril and have you then & there this writ. Witness the Honorable Richard Tilghman Earle Chief Judge of our said County Court the seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred & twenty one — Issued this second day of February Anno Domini 1822. William Scott Clk

At which mentioned third Monday of March being the eighteenth day of the said month in the year Eighteen hundred and twenty two, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the County Court here the said Thomas Dawson by William Carmichael Esquire his Attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Kent County aforesaid towit Edward Brown Esquire to whom the said foregoing writ was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed towit. Kent County Sct. By virtue of this Writ to me directed I have taken the within named Jesse Jones whose body I have ready before the County Court within named, at the day and place within contained as I am within commanded — so answers. Edward Brown Shff. And the said Jesse Jones being called appears in Court here by Joseph Wickes, the fourth, Esquire his Attorney, and thereupon on motion of the said Thomas Dawson by his Attorney aforesaid it is ruled by the Court here, that the said Jesse Jones give special bail in the plea aforesaid, whereupon a certain Hiram Jones of Kent County comes here into Court in his own proper person & with the consent of the said Thomas Dawson by his said Attorney becomes pledge and bail for the said Jesse Jones; that if it shall happen that the said Jesse Jones shall be convicted at the suit of the said Thomas Dawson in the plea aforesaid, then the said Hiram Jones consents, that of the debt aforesaid as well as all such damages costs and charges as shall be adjudged unto the said Thomas Dawson in this behalf shall be made of his body lands and chattels and levies to the use of the said Thomas Dawson; if it shall happen that the said Jesse Jones shall not pay the said debt, damages costs & charges or render himself to the prison and custody of the Sheriff of the County aforesaid on that occasion; And thereupon on motion of the said Jesse Jones by his Attorney aforesaid it is ruled by the Court here that the said Thomas Dawson declare against the said Jesse Jones in the plea aforesaid, or judgment by the Court here will be rendered against him in default thereof; and the said Thomas Dawson by his Attorney aforesaid prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the third Monday of September next and then to declare against the said Jesse Jones in the plea aforesaid and he hereupon the same day is given to the said Jesse Jones then &c. At which said third Monday