L M — The State — against — F C. Henry Stevenson

Be it Remembered that on the sixth day of March in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred and Eighty one,

Command was given to the Sheriff of Baltimore County that he should take Henry Stevenson late of Baltimore County Gentleman if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him should safe keep so that he might have his Body before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of May next to answer unto us of a plea that he render unto the State of Maryland the full and just Sum of Eighty three thousand three hundred and fifty five pounds current Money which to the State he owes and unjustly detains and so forth, And that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his peril, and that he have then and there that Writ &c.

A Copy of the following short Note was made and sent with the Writ which Issued in the plea aforesaid

The State of Maryland against Henry Stevenson security for Richard Owings of Samuel Collector of the public tax in Baltimore County + + + + — Action of Debt. For the Balance of Four thousand three hundred and fifty pounds of Tobacco due to the State of Maryland from the said Richard Owings,

(L Martin for the State)

True Copy, Pr Thos. Brooke Hodgkin Cl.

And now here at this day, to wit: the second Tuesday of May, being the Eighth day of the same Month Anno Domini 1781. and the day of the Return of the aforegoing Writ comes the said Luther Martin Esquire the States Attorney General who for the said State in this behalf prosecuteth. And the Sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the aforegoing Writ was directed likewise comes and makes Return thereof to the court here, thus endorsed, to wit

Cepi, Job Garretson Sheff.

And the said Henry Stevenson by Francis Curtis his Attorney comes and defends the force and Injury when and so forth. And the said Luther Martin Esquire the States Attorney General who for the said State in this behalf prosecuteth prays that the said Henry Stevenson to the Writ and short Note aforesaid may Answer. But the said Henry Stevenson although thereto solemnly called comes not but makes default, by which the State of Maryland aforesaid remains against the said Henry Stevenson thereof undefended,

Therefore it is considered by the Judges here that the State of Maryland aforesaid recover against the said Henry Stevenson as well the aforesaid Sum of Eighty three thousand three hundred and fifty five pounds current Money the Debt aforesaid as also the Sum of

pounds of Tobacco, by the Court here unto the State of Maryland aforesaid on their Assent adjudged as well for Damages sustained by means of detaining that Debt as for the Costs and charges by the State of Maryland aforesaid about their Suit in this behalf laid out and expended. And that thereof the State of Maryland have Execution &c.

Memorandum the said Luther Martin Esquire the States Attorney General who for the said State in this behalf prosecuteth releases the above Judgment on payment of the balance due with Interest and Costs + + + + — Test, Thomas Brooke Hodgkin Cl.

R R, Robert Ballard admor de bonis non of Jon.n Plowman against Henry Stevenson

Be it Remembered that on twenty sixth day of April in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and eighty one.

Command was given to the Sheriff of Baltimore County that he should take Henry Stevenson of Baltimore town in the province of Maryland Doctor otherwise called Henry Stevenson of Baltimore County Physician if he should be found in his bailiwick and him should safe keep so that he might have his Body before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of May next to answer unto Robert Ballard Administrator of the Goods and Chattles Rights and Credits which were of Jonathan Plowman Gentleman deceased unadministered by Rebecca Plowman Executrix of the said Jonathan Plowman at the time of her decease with the last Will and Testament of the said Jonathan Plowman to those Letters of administration annexed in a plea that he render unto him the sum of Two hundred and fifty four pounds and six pence currency which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth. And thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his peril, and that he have then and there that Writ &c.

A Copy of the following Bond and short Note was made and sent with the Writ which issued in the plea aforesaid,

And now here at this day to wit the second Tuesday of May, being the 8th day of the same Month Anno Domini 1781. and the Return of the aforegoing Writ comes the said Robert Ballard Administrator as aforesaid by Richard Ridgely his Attorney, and the Sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the aforegoing Writ was directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit

Non Est, short Note and Copy of Bond left at Defendants last place of abode on the first day of May instant — Says. Job Garretson Sheff.

Whereupon the said Robert Ballard Administrator as aforesaid by his Attorney aforesaid prays that forasmuch as he hath complied with the Law in order to an Attachment he may have Judgment against the said Defendant for his damages by occasion of the premises by way of Attachment according to Act of Assembly &c

Thereupon for that it appears to the Court here that the aforesaid Robert Ballard Administrator as aforesaid hath complied with the Law as alledged he having made sufficient proof of his damages to the Court here Therefore it is considered by the Judges here that the said Robert Ballard Administrator as aforesaid recover against the said Henry Stevenson as well the Sum of Two hundred and fifty four pounds and six pence current money his damages aforesaid as also all Costs and charges by the said Robert Ballard administrator as aforesaid about this suit laid out and expended by way of Attachment against the Goods Chattels Rights or Credits Lands and Tenements of the said Henry Stevenson according to the directions of the Act of Assembly in such Case made and provided,

Test. Thomas Brooke Hodgkin Cl.