suffered and sustained by reason of the Non payment of the said Bill of Exchange or the Contents thereof and protest as aforesaid - And being so therewith chargeable the aforesaid John McLure afterwards, to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid in consideration of the premises upon himself assumed and to the said John Ashburner in his life time there and there faithfully promised that he the said John McLure the aforesaid sum of money in the said Bill of Exchange mentioned, together with all lawful Cost, damage and Interest by the said John Ashburner suffered and sustained by reason of the Non payment of the said Bill of Exchange or the Contents thereof and protest as aforesaid to him the said John Ashburner when afterwards he should be thereunto required would well and truly content and pay, And the aforesaid Thomas Langton in fact saith that the lawful Cost, damage and Interest of him the said John Ashburner suffered and sustained by Occasion of the Non payment of the said Bill of Exchange or the Contents thereof and protest as aforesaid amount unto the sum of Thirty pounds Sterling money aforesaid whereof he the said John McLure afterwards to wit on the day and year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid had Notice - And the aforesaid Thomas Langton further in fact saith that the said several sums of Two hundred pounds Sterling and thirty pounds Sterling amounting in the whole unto the sum of Two hundred and thirty pounds Sterling were at the time of making and Subscribing the Bill of Exchange aforesaid and always hitherto have been and now are of the value Three hundred and forty three pounds six Shillings and six pence Current money, to wit, at Baltimore County aforesaid &c

Nevertheleß the aforesaid John McLure his promise and assumption so as aforesaid made not regarding but minding and fraudulently intending him the said John Ashburner in his life time, and the said Thomas Langton since the decease of him the said John Ashburner (to which said Thomas Langton the administration of all and singular the Goods and Chattels, rights and Credits which were of the aforesaid John Ashburner at the time of his death with the will of the said John Ashburner annexed was after the death of him the said John Ashburner in due form of Law at Baltimore County aforesaid committed) in this behalf craftily and subtilly to deceive and defraud the aforesaid sum of Two hundred pounds Sterling together with the lawful Cost, damage and Interest aforesaid, amounting as aforesaid unto the aforesaid sum of thirty pounds Sterling (which two last aforementioned sums amount in the whole unto the sum of Two hundred and thirty pounds Sterling money aforesaid)



or any part thereof or any part of the value thereof to him the said John Ashburner in his life time nor to the said Thomas Langton since the death of him the said John Ashburner hath contented or paid (although so to do the aforesaid John McLure afterwards to wit on the day and year last aforesaid by the said John Ashburner in his life time, and by the aforesaid Thomas Langton since the death of the said John Ashburner and after the Commission of the administration as aforesaid to wit on the day of in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and afterwards afterwards at the County aforesaid was requested) but the same or any part thereof to content or pay to the said John Ashburner in his life time or to the said Thomas Langton since the death of him the said John Ashburner he hath hitherto altogether refused and still doth refuse to the damage of him the said Thomas Langton in the sum of five hundred pounds Current money aforesaid; and the said Thomas Langton brings into Court the Letters of Administration aforesaid, which the granting the said administration to him the said Thomas Langton sufficiently testify &c

Pledges &c Jno Doe & Richd Roe - Thos Jennings for Plff.

At which mentioned second Tuesday of May being the eighth day of the same Month, in the year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here, the aforesaid Thomas Langton administrator as aforesaid by Thomas Jennings his attorney aforesaid; And the Sheriff of Baltimore County aforesaid to wit, Philip Graybell Gentleman, to whom the said aforegoing writ was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof, to the Court here, thus indorsed, to wit &c

"Cepi" Philip Graybell Shff.

And the said John McLure by his attorney aforesaid, appears in Court here, And thereupon on motion of the aforesaid Thomas Langton administrator as aforesaid by his attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here that the said John McLure give special to the action aforesaid, in the plea aforesaid; whereupon a certain Samuel Sterrett of Baltimore County Gentleman, present here in Court, in his proper person undertakes for the said John McLure that in case the aforesaid Thomas Langton administrator as aforesaid shall recover Judgment against the said John McLure in the plea aforesaid or that the said John McLure, shall be therein legally convict that then the said John McLure shall pay the Condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his Body to the Custody of the Sheriff of Baltimore County in satisfaction thereof or that he the said Samuel Sterrett will do the same for him &c

And the said John McLure by his attorney aforesaid, comes and defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays leave of