to answer unto James Hutchings of a plea of trespass on the case and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then and there this writ. Witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire chief Judge of our said Court, the 19th day of June Anno Domini 1786.

Issued the 12th day of July 1786. (S. Chase) Thos. B. Hodgkin Clk.

At which said second tuesday in October court, the tenth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty six, being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into our General Court here, the said James Hutchings by his attorney aforesaid, and the sheriff of Baltimore county to whom the same writ was made and directed, likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed Court

Cepi. P. Graybill Shff.

And the said David Stodder being called, appears, and at the prayer of the said James Hutchings by his attorney aforesaid, the said David Stoddert is adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid: Whereupon the said David Stoddert by Luther Martin his attorney files in Court here, the following bail piece to wit.

You George Helms and Peter Liddy jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for David Stoddert at the suit of James Hutchings of a plea of trespass on the case and so forth, brought by the said James Hutchings against the said David Stoddert in the General Court for the Western shore to be held at the city of Annapolis the second tuesday in October next; they acknowledge themselves content therewith this 23d day of September seventeen hundred and eighty six.

Acknowledged before John Coulter, Isaac Vrs Bibber

I David Stoddert impower authorise and appoint Luther Martin Esquire to appear for me in the above action. Given under my hand and seal this 23d day of September 1786. David Stoddert. (Seal)

And the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second tuesday in May next; and to him it is granted; and the same day is given to the said James Hutchings also.

At which said second tuesday in May court, the eighth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, comes again into our General Court here as well the said James Hutchings by his attorney aforesaid, as the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid. And the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays further leave of the Court here to imparle until the second tuesday in October next; and to him it is granted; and the same day is given to the said James Hutchings also.

At which said second tuesday in October court, the ninth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, comes again into our General Court here, as well the said James Hutchings by his attorney aforesaid, as the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid. And the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid, as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays further leave of the Court here, to imparle until the second tuesday in May next; and to him it is granted: and the same day is given to the said James Hutchings also.

At which said second tuesday in May court, the thirteenth day of the same month

Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, comes again into our General Court here, as well the said James Hutchings by his attorney aforesaid, as the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid. And the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays further leave of the Court here to imparle until the second tuesday in October next; and to him it is granted; and the same day is given to the said James Hutchings also.

At which said second tuesday in October court, the fourteenth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, comes again into our General Court here as well the said James Hutchings by his attorney aforesaid, as the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid. And the said David Stodder by his attorney aforesaid prays that the said James Hutchings against him may declare; and it is said, to the said James Hutchings by the Court here, that he on the second tuesday in May next, shall declare against the said David Stoddert or that Judgment for default thereof against him the said James Hutchings for the said David Stoddert shall be rendered: and the same day is given to the said David Stoddert also.

At which said second tuesday in May court, the twelfth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, comes again into our General Court here the said David Stoddert by his attorney aforesaid, And the said James Hutchings although solemnly called comes not, but makes default, nor files his declaration against the said David Stoddert, nor does he further prosecute his writ aforesaid against the said David Stoddert in the plea aforesaid; Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said James Hutchings take nothing by his writ aforesaid, but be in mercy and so forth, and that the said David Stoddert go thereof without day and so forth: And it is also considered by the Court here, that the said David Stoddert recover against the said James Hutchings the quantity of five hundred and thirteen pounds and one fifth of a pound of tobacco for his costs and charges by him about his defence in this behalf expended, unto the said David Stoddert on his assent adjudged, according to the form of the statute in such cases made and provided, and that he have thereof his Execution and so forth. Test John Gwinn Clk.

John Horrell against John Lucas.

Be it remembered, that heretofore to wit on the fourteenth day of September Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, John Horrell by Philip Barton Key his attorney sued out of our General Court, the State of Maryland, writ of Capias ad respondendum, directed to the sheriff of Saint Marys county in the words and figures following to wit

The State of Maryland Set. To the sheriff of Saint Marys county Greeting. We command you that you take John Lucas of Saint Marys county planter, called John Lucas of Saint Marys county if he shall be found in your bailiwick and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the city of Annapolis on the second tuesday in October next, to answer unto John Horrell of the same county of a plea that he render unto him the sum of three hundred and fifty four pounds seven shillings and six pence currentmoney, which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire chief Judge of our said Court the 25th day