Memorandum, Judgment was rendered in this cause on the twentieth day of May Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, for penalty and costs to be released on payment of the sum of One thousand and forty nine pounds seven shillings and two pence half penny currentmoney, with interest thereon from the tenth day of December one thousand seven hundred and eighty three and costs, payments if any to be allowed, and the Plaintiff agrees to stay Execution until the first day of August next, and releases interest provided the State does not charge him therewith.

Test. John Irvinn Clk.

Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson.
against
George Snell.

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit, on the ninth day of April Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson by Richard Ridgely their Attorney sued out of our General Court, the State of Maryland's writ of Capias ad respondendum, directed to the sheriff of Montgomery county in the words and figures following to wit

The State of Maryland SS. To the Sheriff of Montgomery county Greeting. We command you that you take George Snell late of Montgomery county, otherwise called George Snell of Montgomery county and State of Maryland, 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 of May next, to answer unto Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson of a plea that he render unto them the sum of two hundred & twenty pounds currentmoney which to them he owes and unjustly detain and soforth. 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 2d day of December Anno Domini 1786.

Issued the 9th day of April 1787. (R. Ridgely) (Thos. B. Hodgkin Clk.

And the said Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson by their attorney aforesaid, declare against the said George Snell in the plea aforesaid as follows to wit,

State of Maryland to wit, George Snell late of Montgomery county, otherwise called George Snell of Montgomery county and State of Maryland was summoned to answer unto Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson of a plea that he render unto them the sum of two hundred & seventy pounds current money, which to them he owes and unjustly detain, and soforth. — And whereupon the said Gerrard & Henry by Richard Ridgely their attorney say, that whereas the aforesaid George on the eighteenth day of October in the year seventeen hundred and eighty six, at Montgomery county aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the said Gerrard & Henry in the aforesaid sum of two hundred & twenty pounds currentmoney to be paid to the said Gerrard & Henry when afterwards he should be thereunto required. Nevertheless the aforesaid George (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of two hundred & twenty pounds currentmoney, to the said Gerrard & Henry has not rendered or paid, but the same to them hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused, and still doth refuse, wherefore they say they are the worse and have damage to the value of three hundred pounds currentmoney aforesaid, and therefore they bring suit, andsoforth: and bring here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid: sealed with the seal of the aforesaid George, which the debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid, Witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid, andsoforth.

Richard Ridgely for the Plaintiffs. Pledges and soforth { John Doe and Richard Roe.

Copy

Oyer of the writing obligatory in the Declaration aforesaid mentioned, and the Condition thereof follow, in these words to wit.

Know all Men by these presents, that I George Snell of Montgomery county am held and firmly bound unto Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson merchants in the full and just sum of two hundred and twenty pounds currentmoney to be paid to the said Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson or to their certain attorney executors administrators or assigns: To which payment well and truly to be made and done I do bind myself my heirs executors and administrators firmly by these presents sealed with my seal & dated the eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six. — The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden George Snell his heirs executors administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above mentioned Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson or to their certain attorney executors administrators or assigns the full and just sum of one hundred and ten pounds currentmoney with legal interest for the same on or before the first day of December next, without any fraud or delay, then this obligation to be void and of none effect or else to remain in force and virtue in Law. —

George Snell (Seal)

Sealed and delivered in the presence of Saml. Godman

A Copy of which aforegoing Declaration and Bond was made and sent with the writ which issued in the plea aforesaid. —

At which said second tuesday in May to wit, the eighth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, come into our General Court here, the said Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson by their attorney aforesaid and the sheriff of Montgomery County to whom the same writ was made and directed, likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit. —

Cepi, Copy left 17th April. Wm. Robertson Shff.

And the said George Snell being called appears, and at the prayer of the said Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson by their attorney aforesaid, the said George Snell is adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid: Whereupon the said George Snell by Henry Ridgely his attorney files in Court here the following Bail piece to wit

Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson. Plaintiff
vs.
George Snell. Defendant

You John Ray & Brice Gafaway do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special bail for the said George Snell at the suit of the said Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson in an action of debt brought by the said Gerrard Hopkins & Henry Wilson against the said George Snell in the General Court they acknowledge themselves to be content. — therewith the 19th day of 1787.

Richd. Woolton. J. Offutt. —

To the hon.le Judges of the Genl. Court. To H. Ridgely Jr. Esq. Attorney for the Defendant. —

And the said George Snell by his attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury when and soforth, and prays 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 Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson also. —

At which said second tuesday in October to wit, the ninth day of the same month Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, come again into our General Court here as well the said Gerrard Hopkins and Henry Wilson by their attorney aforesaid, as the said George Snell by his attorney aforesaid. — And the said George Snell by his attorney aforesaid as before

defends