following words, to wit:

The State of Maryland Ss. To the Sheriff of Charles County Greeting. Whereas Townshend Eden Executor of the Testament and last will of John Eden deceased was summoned to answer unto Samuel Maddox in a plea of debt and so forth. To which said action the aforesd. Townshend Eden Exor. as aforesaid & appeared and Imparled and whereas the aforesd. Townshend Eden Executor as aforesd. is since deceased as by the insinuation of the said Samuel Maddox we have received; We therefore command you that you summons Walter Stone Administrator de bonis non of all and singular the Goods and chattels rights & Credits of John Eden late of Saint Marys County & deceased that he be and appear immediately before the Judges of the General Court now sitting at the City of Annapolis to answer unto the said Samuel Maddox in the plea aforesaid according to the act of Assembly in such case lately made and provided. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ, Witness the Honble Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire chief Judge of our said Court the 14th day of May anno Dominii 1789.

Issued the 15th May 1789 John Gwinn Clk.

And afterwards in this same Term the Sheriff of Charles County aforesaid to whom the said Summons was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit;

Summoned Thos. A Dyson Sheriff &

And the said Walter Stone in pursuance of such summons by Michael Jenifer Stone and William Craik his attornies comes also into Court here and defends the force and & injury when and so forth. Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by consent of the said parties and their attornies aforesaid and by order of the Court here thereon is further continued until the second Tuesday of October next.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the thirteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty nine come again into the General Court here as well the said Samuel Maddox by his attorney aforesaid, as the said Walter Stone administrator as aforesaid by his attornies aforesaid. And thereupon the,

the said Walter Stone by his said attornies prays that the said Samuel Maddox may reply to the answers in the plea aforesaid; whereupon it is ruled by the Court here, that the said Samuel Maddox reply to the answers, in the plea aforesaid, and if he doth not reply to the said & answers Judgment will be rendered against him by default and the said Samuel Maddox by his attorney prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of may next to reply to the answers, in the plea aforesaid and he hath it the same day is given to the said Walter Stone administrator as aforesaid.

And now here at this day to wit, the said second Tuesday of May being the seventh day of the said Month in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety come again into the General Court here the said Samuel Maddox by his attorney aforesaid, as the said Walter & Stone Administrator aforesaid by William Craik his attorney and the said Walter Stone Administrator aforesaid by his said attorney relinquishing the averment aforesaid by him pretended, saith that he cannot deny the said action of & the said Samuel Maddox nor but that he the said Walter Stone Administrator as aforesaid detains from the said Samuel Maddox the said sum of One thousand six hundred and sixty six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current Money in manner and form as the said Samuel Maddox above thereof in his declaration complains; Therefore it is & considered by the Court here that the said Samuel Maddox recover against the said Walter Stone administrator as aforesaid as well the sum of One thousand six hundred and sixty six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current Money his debt aforesaid as the quantity of One thousand three & hundred and fifty eight pounds of Tobacco for his damages which he hath sustained, as well by reason of the detention of the said debt as for his Costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expended to be levied of the Goods and Chattels which were of the said John Eden at the time of his death in the hands of the said Walter Stone Administrator as aforesaid remaining to be administered if so much thereof in his hands to be administered he hath and if so much thereof in his hands to be administered he,