amerced the Plaintiffs death and costs unless he have the said Henry Townsend here at the next court to answer the plea aforesaid. At which said next court, to wit, the second Tuesday of March being the tenth day of the same seventeen hundred and eighty nine comes again the said Thomas Conner by his attorney aforesaid, and the said Sheriff being again called to bring into Court the Body of the said Henry Townsend according to the return of the aforesaid writ brings him in, Therefore it is considered by the justices here that the aforesaid amerciament be struck out, and the said Henry Townsend being called upon appears, and at the prayer of the Plaintiff by his attorney aforesaid the said Henry Townsend is adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid, Thereupon the said Henry Townsend by Baker Johnson his attorney files in Court here a bail piece in the following words, to wit,

Thomas Conner Plaintiff
against
Henry Townsend Defendant

} You Richard Thompson do acknowledge yourself special bail for the said Henry Townsend at the suit of Thomas Conner in an action of debt brought by the said Thomas Conner against the said Henry Townsend in Montgomery County Court he acknowledge himself to be content therewith the 9th day of March 1789.
before B O Neill.

To the Worshipful justices of Montgomery County Court }

B Johnson Esquire attorney for Defendant.

And the said Henry Townsend by his attorney aforesaid prays leave to imparle hereunto until next Court, and he hath it the same day is given to the Plaintiff also. and the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid imparled from Court to Court until this Court. And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of March being the tenth day of the same month seventeen hundred and eighty nine comes again as well the said Thomas Conner by his attorney aforesaid as the said Henry Townsend by his attorney aforesaid produceth to the Court here a writ of Habeas Corpus in the following words and figures, to wit; — The State of Maryland Set To the Justices and Sheriff of Montgomery County, Greeting; Whereas a certain Henry Townsend late of Montgomery County is detained in the prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain Thomas Conner of a plea of debt and so forth., which said plea as it is said still depends before you our said Justices undetermined and we being willing for divers causes that the plea aforesaid undetermined as aforesaid should be heard and determined before the Justices of our General Court Therefore we command you that you have the body of the said Henry Townsend by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the plea aforesaid, together with the cause of his caption and detention and all things thereunto relating before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis, the second Tuesday of May next; that the Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to justice appertains and so forth, hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this

writ. Witness the honorable Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire chief Judge of our said Court the 18th day of Novem. anno Domini 1788. Issued the 15 day of April anno Domini 1789.
By. Jno. Gwinn, Clk.

which said writ of Habeas corpus is by the Court here received & allowed.
Test, Brooke Beall, Clk.

In Testimony that the foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings in Montgomery County Court in the action aforesaid I have hereunto set my hand and Seal of my office this 9th day of May anno Domini 1789. Brooke Beall, Clk.
(Seal)

And now comes into the General Court here as well the said Thomas Conner by William H Dorsey his attorney, as the said Henry Townsend by Baker Johnson his attorney; and the said Thomas Conner by his said attorney, declares against the said Henry Townsend in the plea aforesaid, as follows, to wit,

Maryland Se. Montgomery County, to wit, Henry Townsend late of Montgomery County planter otherwise called Henry Townsend of Montgomery County was summoned to answer unto Thomas Conner of a plea that he render unto him the sum of one hundred and eighty pounds Maryland currency which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth. And whereupon the said Thomas Conner by William H Dorsey his attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid Henry on the twenty fourth day of august 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 Thomas in the aforesaid sum of one hundred and eighty pounds current Money to be paid to the said Thomas when afterwards he should be thereunto required; Nevertheless the aforesaid Henry (although often thereunto required) the aforesaid sum of One hundred and eighty pounds current Money to the said Thomas hath not rendered or paid but the same to him hitherto to render or pay he hath altogether refused, and still doth refuse, wherefore he saith he is the worse and hath damage to the value of two hundred pounds current Money aforesaid and therefore he brings Suit and so forth; and bring here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid; Sealed with the Seal of the aforesaid Henry which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid, witnesseth, the date whereof is the day and year aforesaid and so forth.

W H Dorsey for the Plaintiff Pledges and so forth. John Doe & Richard Roe.

State of Maryland
Know all men by these presents that I Henry Townsend of Montgomery County am held and firmly bound to Thomas Conner of Frederick County in the full and just sum of One hundred and eighty pounds Maryland Currency to be paid to the said Thomas Conner or his certain attorney, Executors, administrators or assigns for which payment well & truly to be made, I bind myself, my heirs, Executors & administrators firmly by these presents, Sealed with my Seal dated the twenty fourth day of august in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six. The Condition of this obligation is such that if the above bounden Henry Townsend his Heirs Executors or administrators do & shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above named Thomas Conner his Executors administrators or assigns the,