joined me in said Bond as security aforesaid. Witness my hand this 30th day of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty six.

Witness Wm. Marbury Junr. Edward his E mark Green Senr.

Copies of which said declaration and oyer were made and sent to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid with the said writ thereon endorsed to be served on the Defendant with the writ or left at his place of abode twenty days at least before the return of the said writ for plea or Judgment the first Court.

At which mentioned second Tuesday of May being the tenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes into the General Court here the said Benjamin Carrood by his attor aforesaid, and the Sheriff of Charles County, to wit, Francis Ware Gentleman to whom the said aforegoing writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit;

Cepi, Francis Ware, Sheriff.

And the said Edward Green by Philip Barton Key his attorney appears in Court here, and defends the force and injury when and so forth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of October next, and he hath it, the same day is given to the said Benjamin also. At which said second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, comes into the General Court here as well the said Benjamin by his attorney aforesaid, as the said Edward by his attorney aforesaid; and thereupon on motion of the said Benjamin by his attorney aforesaid it is ruled by the Court here that the said Edward answer to the declaration aforesaid of the said Benjamin in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; And the said Edward by Philip Barton Key his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth and prays an hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and also of the Condition thereof, and he hath them, which being read and heard the said Edward saith that the said Benjamin his action aforesaid against him the said Edward, to have or maintain ought not because he saith that he the said Edward in the Condition of the writing obligatory aforesaid, mentioned did well and truly execute and perform the several duties required of him as Deputy Sheriff of Charles County, and in all things did well and faithfully execute the said Office according to the Condition of the writing obligatory aforesaid and this he the said Edward is ready to verify, and so forth. wherefore he prays Judgment if he the said Benjamin his action aforesaid thereof against him the said Edward to have or maintain ought, and so forth. and the said Edward by his attorney aforesaid;



aforesaid prays leave to imparle until the second Tuesday of May next, and he hath it the same day is given to the said Benjamin also. At which said second Tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine comes again into the General Court here as well the said Benjamin by his attorney aforesaid, as the said Edward by his attorney aforesaid; and the said Edward by his attorney aforesaid, prays further leave to imparle until the second Tuesday of October next, and he hath it the same day is given to the said Benjamin also. 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, comes again into the General Court here as well the said Benjamin by his attorney aforesaid, as the said Edward by his attorney aforesaid; and the said Benjamin by his attorney saith that he by any thing before alledged from having his action aforesaid against the said Edward to be precluded ought not because protesting that the said Edward Green Junior in the Condition aforesaid mentioned all the matters and things in the Condition aforesaid above specified by him the said Edward to be done and performed according to the form and effect of the said Condition did not do and perform at the County aforesaid yet for plea he saith that the said Benjamin being Sheriff and Collector of the taxes of the said County at the County aforesaid on the twentieth day of December in the year seventeen hundred and eighty two delivered and put into the hands of the said Edward as deputy Sheriff and deputy collector to be by him collected and paid to the said Benjamin the sum of four thousand one hundred and twenty six pounds of Tobacco One thousand and thirty eight pounds sixteen shillings and seven pence three farthings State money six thousand one hundred and twenty four pounds twelve shillings and two pence half penny ready money and seven hundred and sixty three pounds seventeen shillings and ten pence specie current money, and upon the delivery of the said sums of Tobacco and money in account regularly and fairly made out and delivered against the respective debtors thereof to the said Edward, he the said Edward proceeding to the collection of the same and afterwards at the County aforesaid paid unto the hands of the said Benjamin at sundry times divers large sums of Tobacco and money part of the collection aforesaid but regardless of his duty and the trust reposed in him by the said Benjamin he the said Edward hath retained in his hands of the collection aforesaid and not yet to the said Benjamin paid the sum of seven hundred and twenty seven pounds of crop Tobacco and nine hundred and eighteen pounds two shillings and nine pence half penny current money being a balance and debt yet due for the collection aforesaid so undertaken as aforesaid by the said Edward and payable to the said Benjamin as by the account herewith filed in this cause by the said Benjamin will at large and more fully appear. Nevertheless the said Edward the aforesaid sum of seven hundred and twenty seven pounds of crop Tobacco and nine hundred and eighteen pounds two shillings and nine pence half penny current money or any part of them or either of them to him the said Benjamin hath not contented or paid altho' so to do the aforesaid Edward was afterwards at,