And the aforesaid Thomas Harwood by his attorney aforesaid declared against the aforesaid Charles Williamson in the plea aforesaid as follows to wit.

Maryland Ct. Calvert County to wit, Charles Williamson late of Calvert County planter otherwise called Charles Williamson of Calvert County was summoned to answer unto Thomas Harwood (the third) of the same county that he render unto him the full and just quantity of seventeen thousands pounds of merchantable Tobacco which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth.

And whereupon the said Thomas by Samuel Chase his attorney saith, that whereas the aforesaid Charles on the eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six at Calvert County aforesaid by his certain bill obligatory acknowledged himself to owe unto the aforesaid Thomas the full and just quantity of seventeen thousand pounds of merchantable tobacco to be paid unto him the said Thomas his heirs, Executors administrators or assigns at or above Magruders warehouse on patuxent river with legal Interest for the same to the payment of the said Tobacco well and truly to be made, the aforesaid Charles bound himself his heirs Executors and administrators by the said bill.

Nevertheless the aforesaid Charles (altho' often thereunto afterwards required) the aforesaid quantity of seventeen thousand pounds of Tobacco or any part thereof to him the said Thomas to render or pay he the said Charles hath altogether refused and still doth refuse wherefore he the said Thomas saith he is the worse and hath damage to the value of twenty five thousand pounds of tobacco and therefore he brings suit and so forth and brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of the aforesaid Charles which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid witnesseth whose date is the day and year first aforesaid and so forth.

Saml. Chase for Plff. Pledges, John Doe and Richard Roe.

Oyer of the bill obligatory

I hereby oblige myself my heirs, Executors and Administrators to pay or cause to be paid unto Thomas Harwood the third his heirs executors administrators or Assigns the full and just quantity of

of seventeen thousand pounds of merchantable Tobacco at or above Magruders warehouse on patuxent River with legal Interest for the same it being for value received of him as witness my hand and seal this eighteenth day of August one thousand seven hundred and eighty six.

Testis Charles Williamson

Frisby Freeland

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

At which said second tuesday of October being, the thirteenth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and Eighty nine and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ comes into Court here the aforesaid Thomas Harwood the third by Samuel Chase his attorney aforesaid and the sheriff of Calvert 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 3d. August. Jno. Brooke Shff.

And the said Charles Williamson being called upon appears and at the prayer of the said Thomas Harwood the third by his attorney aforesaid the said Charles Williamson is adjudged to give special Bail to the action aforesaid.

Whereupon a certain Richard Chew of Ann Arundel County Gentleman present here in court in his proper person undertakes for the said Charles Williamson that in Case the said Thomas Harwood the third shall recover Judgment against the said Charles Williamson in the plea aforesaid or that the said Charles Williamson shall be therein legally convict that then the said Charles Williamson shall pay the Condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his body to the custody of the sheriff of Calvert County in satisfaction thereof or that he the said Richard Chew will do the same for him.

And the said Charles Williamson by Gabriel Duvall his attorney defends the force and injury, when and so forth and prays leave to Imparle hereunto until next court and he hath it and the same day is given to the plaintiff also.

At which said next Court to wit the Eleventh day of May Anno