directed to the sheriff of Ann Arundel County in the words and figures following to wit.

The State of Maryland, sc. To the sheriff of Ann Arundel County greeting. We Command you that you take William Whetcroft late of Ann Arundel County Gentleman and Allen Quynn late of Ann Arundel county Gentleman otherwise called Wm. Whetcroft and Allen Quynn of the City of Annapolis if they shall be found in your bailiwick and them safe keep so that you have their bodies before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second tuesday of May instant to answer unto James Ringgold and Anne Roberts Executors of the last will and Testament of William Roberts late of Anne Arundel County deceased of a plea that they render unto them the full and just sum of four hundred and twenty two pounds sixteen shillings sterling money of Great Britain of the value of seven hundred and four pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current money which from them they unjustly detain &c.

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 18th day of November Anno Domini 1788.

Issued the 8th day of May 1789. Jno. Gwinn Clk.

Jgs.

At which said second tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty nine and the day of the return of the aforegoing writ come into our General Court here the aforesaid James Ringgold and Ann Roberts Executors aforesaid by Thomas Jennings their Attorney aforesaid and the sheriff of Ann Arundel County to wit whom the same writ was made and directed likewise Comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

Cepi Wm. Whetcroft NE. A. Quynn.

Ben. Howard Shff.

And the said William Whetcroft being called upon appears and at the prayer of the said James Ringgold and Anne Roberts executors aforesaid by their attorney aforesaid the

the said William Whetcroft is adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid

Whereupon a certain John Randall of Ann Arundel County merchant present here in court in his proper person undertakes for the said William Whetcroft that in Case the said James Ringgold and Anne Roberts Executors aforesaid shall recover Judgment against the said William Whetcroft in the plea aforesaid or that the said William Whetcroft shall be therein legally convict that then the said William Whetcroft shall pay the Condemnation of the Court thereupon or render his body to the Custody of the sheriff of Ann Arundel County in satisfaction thereof or that he the said John Randall will do the same for him.

And the said William Whetcroft by Gabriel Duvall his attorney defend the force and injury when and soforth and prays leave to imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the plaintiffs also.

And afterwards to wit. On the twenty third day of July Anno domini seventeen hundred and eighty nine the aforesaid James Ringgold and Ann Roberts Executors aforesaid by their attorney aforesaid sued out of our general court here the State of Marylands writ of Capias adrespondendum directed to the sheriff of Ann Arundel County in the words and figures following to wit.

The State of Maryland, sc. To the sheriff of Ann Arundel County greeting. We Command you that you take Allen Quynn late of Ann Arundel County Gentleman otherwise called Allen Quynn of the City of Annapolis 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 October next to answer unto Anne Roberts late of Ann Arundel County deceased of a plea that he render unto them the sum of four hundred and twenty two pounds sixteen shillings sterling which from them he unjustly detains andsoforth 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 26th day of June Anno domini 1789.

Issued the 23d day of July 1789. Jgs. John Gwinn Clk.

And the aforesaid Anne Roberts and James Ringgold Executors