May Term 1791

Present John Meale

James Calhoun | Edward Lockey | Henry Lammott
George G. Presbury | Thomas Todd | Thoroughgood Smith
Isaac Or. Bibber | Richd. Owings of Saml. | Isaacc Griest
Charles Ridgely of Wm. | Edmund Stansbury | Francis Snowden
Abrm. Wm. Bibber | Thomas Bailey | & Geo: Salmon

Gentlemen Justices

Thomas Rutter Esqr. Shff ——— William Gibson clk

Among other were the following procedings viz.t

Edward Pannell a John Mercer Porter

Be it remembered that heretofore on the ninth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine the State of Maryland's writ of capias ad respondendum issued to the Sheriff of Baltimore County in the words and figures following viz.t

State of Maryland To the Sheriff of Baltimore County Greeting. We command you that you take John Mercer Porter late of Baltimore County Yeoman if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and that him so taken you safe keep so that you have his body before the Justices of Baltimore, of Baltimore County Court at the Court House in the same County on the first day in April next to answer unto Edward Pannell of a plea that he the said John Mercer Porter render to him the said Edward Pannel the sum of sixty two pounds and three shillings current money which to him he the said John oweth and unjustly detaineth and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness John Meale Gentleman presiding Justice of our said Court the third day of November in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and eighty eight

A. R. Issued the 9th. day of February 1789. Wm. Gibson clk

with which writ a copy of the following Nar.n & Oyer Bill was sent viz.t

Baltimore county to wit. John Mercer Porter late of Baltimore county yeoman was summoned to answer unto Edward Pannell of a plea that he the said John Mercer Porter render to him the said Edward Pannell the sum of sixty two pounds and three shillings ~ ~ current money which to him he the said John oweth and unjustly detaineth and so forth. And whereupon the said ---- Edward Pannell by Archibald Robinson his attorney saith that whereas the aforesaid John Mercer Porter on the fourth day of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight at Baltimore county aforesaid by his bill obligatory sealed with the seal of the said John and to the Court now here shewn the

date whereof is on the same day and year did promise to pay unto the aforesaid Edward Pannell or order on demand the sum of sixty two pounds and three shillings specie for value received when thereto afterwards he the said John should be required according to the tenor and effect of the said Bill and the said Edward in fact saith that the sum of sixty two pounds and three shillings specie in the said Bill obligatory mentioned at the time of the making thereof and for a long time before was and ever since has continued to be and now is of the value of the aforesaid sum of sixty two pounds and three shillings current money to wit at Baltimore County aforesaid whereof the said John then and there had notice. Nevertheless the said John altho' often required hath not yet paid the aforesaid sum of sixty two pounds and three shillings specie or any part thereof or of the value thereof to the said Edward Pannell but the same to him to render or pay altogether hitherto hath refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the said Edward one hundred pounds current money and therefore he brings suit and so forth

A Robinson for the Plff

pledges to prosecute { John Doe and Richard Roe

I promise to pay unto Edward Pannell or Order on demand the sum of sixty two pounds three shillings specie it being for value received of him. As Witness my hand and seal this fourth day of April one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight

Witness Priest.

Danel Dennis, Chas. Carline { J. M. Porter (seal)

At which said first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine cometh the said Edward Pannell by Archibald Robinson his attorney, And now here also cometh the Sheriff of Baltimore County to whom the aforesaid writ was directed, to wit Thomas Rutter Gentleman who maketh return thereof to the Court now here thus endorsed

"Copi. Copy left the 23d. March Thomas Rutter Shff

And now here also cometh the said John Mercer Porter by David Mc. Mechen his attorney. And a certain Daubney Buckby Patridge now her also cometh into Court in his proper person and undertakes and becomes pledge and bail for the said John Mercer Porter that if it shall happen that the said John Mercer Porter at the suit of the said Edward Pannell in the plea aforesaid shall be convicted, then the said Daubeney Buckby Patridge doth grant that as well the debt aforesaid, as all such damages costs and charges which to the said Edward Pannell in this part shall

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