Maryland of Capias ad respondendum, directed to the sheriff of Montgomery County aforesaid, in the words and figures following to wit.

The State of Maryland ss. To the sheriff of Montgomery County, Greeting. We command you that you take Francis Valdenier late of Montgomery County planter, otherwise called Francis Valdenier of Montgomery County and State of Maryland 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 Thomas Johnson Beatty of a plea that he render unto him the full and just sum of four hundred and seventy pounds Current money which to him he owes and unjustly detains and so forth, Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ Witness the honourable Samuel Chase Esquire chief Judge of our said Court, the thirty Day of May Anno Domini 1794.

Issued the 8th day of August 1794. (J. M. Gantt) Jnt. Greenwell Clk.

And a Copy of which said aforegoing Declaration over and Indorsement was likewise made and sent with the writ which issued left aforesaid in the plea aforesaid.

At which mentioned second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety four and the day of the return of the last aforegoing writ comes again here into our General Court the aforesaid Thomas Johnson Beatty by John Machall Gantt his attorney aforesaid, And the sheriff of Montgomery County to whom the said last aforegoing writ was made and directed likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit. Capi Copy left 23d August, Tol. Holland Shff.

And the said Francis Valdenier being called upon appears, and at the prayer of the aforesaid Thomas Johnson Beatty by his Attorney aforesaid the said Francis Valdenier is adjudged to give special bail to the action aforesaid, Thereupon the said Francis Valdenier by John Thomson Mason his attorney files in Court here, the following Bail piece to wit.

Thomas J. Beatty use of Anthony Reintzell, Plaintiff vs. Francis Valdenear Defendant	You Erasmus Perry and John Berry do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves special Bail for the said Francis Valdenear at the suit of the said Thomas J. Beatty use of Anthony Reintzell in an action of Debt

brought by the said Thomas J. Beatty use of Anthony Reintzell against the said Francis Valdenear in the General Court for the Western shore of

of the State of Maryland, they acknowledge themselves to be content therewith this 16th day of October 1794. Before. Joseph Hall, Richard Green.

To the honourable the judges of the General Court.

To John T. Mason Esq. Attorney for the Defendant.

And the aforesaid Francis Valdenier by his attorney aforesaid comes and defends the force and injury, when and so forth, and prays leave of the Court to Imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it, the same day is given to the aforesaid Thomas Johnson Beatty also.

At which said next Court, to wit, the second Tuesday, of May being the twelfth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety five comes again here into our General Court as well the aforesaid Thomas Johnson Beatty by his Attorney aforesaid, as the aforesaid Francis Valdenier by his attorney aforesaid, And the aforesaid Francis Valdenier by his Attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth and says that the said Thomas Johnson ought not to have or maintain his action aforesaid against him, because he says that he paid to the aforesaid Thomas Johnson upon the aforesaid first day of February in the year seventeen hundred and ninety four the sum of two hundred and thirty five pounds Currency the sum mentioned in the Condition to the said writing obligatory which he on the same day ought to have paid according to the form and effect of the aforesaid Condition, to wit, at the County aforesaid, And this he is ready to verify wherefore he prays Judgment whether the aforesaid Thomas Johnson ought to have his action thereof against him &c.

And the said Thomas Johnson Beatty saith that he by any thing by the said Francis Valdenier above in pleading alledged from having or maintaining his action aforesaid against him ought not to be precluded because he saith that the aforesaid Francis Valdenier upon the aforesaid first day of February in the year seventeen hundred and ninety four, did not pay to him the said Thomas Johnson Beatty, the sum of two hundred and thirty five pounds Currency the sum mentioned in the Condition of the aforesaid writing obligatory, which he on the same day ought to have paid according to the form and effect of the aforesaid condition to wit, at the County aforesaid in such manner and form as the said Francis Valdenier above by pleading hath alledged and of this he prays may be enquired of by the Country, and the aforesaid Francis Valdenier in like manner and so forth. Therefore let a Jury thereupon appear before the Judges of our General Court here on the second Tuesday of October next

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