John Heathcote and James Dall against Edward Hall.

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit, on the fourteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five John Heathcote and James Dall by Archibald Robinson their attorney sued out of the General Court the writ of the State of Maryland of Capias ad respondendum directed to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County, in manner and form following to wit.

The State of Maryland Sct. To the sheriff of Ann Arundel County Greeting. We command you that you take Edward Hall late of Ann Arundel County Gentleman otherwise called Edward Hall of Ann Arundel 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 John Heathcote and James Dall of a plea that he render to them the sum of four hundred pounds current money of Maryland which to them he oweth and unjustly detaineth and soforth. 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 23rd day of June Anno Dominii 1795. Issued the 14th day of September 1795. A. R. Jnº Gwinn Clk.

And the said John Heathcote and James Dall declared against the said Edward Hall in the plea aforesaid in manner and form following, to wit.

Western Shore of Maryland Ann Arundel County to wit. Edward Hall late of Ann Arundel County Gentleman otherwise called Edward Hall of Ann Arundel County and State of Maryland was summoned to answer unto John Heathcote and James Dall of a plea that he render to them the sum of four hundred pounds current money of Maryland which to them he oweth and unjustly detaineth and soforth.

And whereupon the said John and James by Archibald Robinson their attorney say that whereas the said Edward on the seventeenth day of December in the year seventeen hundred and ninety three at the County aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory acknowledged himself to be held bound to the said John and James in the aforesaid sum of four hundred pounds current money aforesaid to be paid to the said John and James when he the said Edward



Edward should be thereunto afterwards required.

Nevertheless the said Edward (although often requested) hath not paid the aforesaid sum of four hundred pounds current money aforesaid to the said John and James or to either of them but hath hitherto refused and still doth refuse to pay the same to them or to either of them wherefore the said John and James say they are injured and have damage to the value of five hundred pounds current money aforesaid and therefore they bring suit and soforth and they bring here into Court the aforesaid writing sealed with the seal of the aforesaid Edward which testifieth the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid the date whereof is the day and year above mentioned and soforth.

A. Robinson Attorney for Plff. } John Doe, and
Pledges to prosecute } Richard Roe.

Oyer of the Bond.

Know all men by these presents that I Edward Hall of Ann Arundel County and State of Maryland am held and firmly bound unto John Heathcote and James Dall of Baltimore Town in the full and just sum of four hundred pounds Maryland Currency to be paid to the said John Heathcote and James Dall or to their certain attorney executors administrators or Assigns to which payment well and truly to be made and done I bind myself my heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these Presents Sealed with my seal dated the seventeenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Edward Hall his heirs executors administrators or any of them shall and do well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above mentioned John Heathcote and James Dall or to their certain attorney executors administrators or Assigns the full and just sum of two hundred pounds Maryland currency on or before the tenth day of July next ensuing without any fraud or delay then this obligation to be void and of none Effect or else to remain in full force and virtue and in Law

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of. Robert Miller } Edward Hall (Seal)

A Copy of the aforegoing Declaration and Bond 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 in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and