hearing of the writing obligatory aforesaid and the Condition thereof and he hath them as follows, Viz.t —

Know all Men by these presents that we Edward Norwood of Baltimore County and James Walker of Ann Arundel are held and firmly bound unto Rezin Hammond of Ann Arundel County in the full and just sum of One hundred and fifty pounds Current Money to be paid to the said Rezin Hammond his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or assigns, To the which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally for and in the whole firmly by these presents, Sealed with our Seals and dated this fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety —

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that if the above bound Edward Norwood and James Walker or either of them their or either of their Heirs Executors or Administrators do and shall well and truly pay or cause to paid unto the said Rezin Hammond his certain Attorney Executors Administrators or assigns the full and just sum of seventy five pounds Current Money on or before the fifteenth day of February next with Legal Interest thereon then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in Law

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of the word Heirs first interlined — Elijah Gaither

Edw.d Norwood (seal)
James Walker (seal)

On the back of which bond is thus written

Sir Be pleased to pay the Amount of the within Bond to Philip Hammond 17th Febr.y 1790 Rezin Hammond.

To Capt.n Edward Norwood

Baltimore August 2.d 1792., I do hereby Assign all my right title and Interest to the within Bond unto Andrew Buchanan or his assigns for value received. — Henry Hall Dorsey

Witness Henry Worthington

And the said Edward Norwood by his said Attorney produces to the Court now here the State of Marylands Writ of Habeas Corpus closed in the words and figures following, Viz.t —

The State of Maryland, &c, To the Justices and Sheriff of Baltimore County Greeting Whereas a certain Edward Norwood late of Baltimore County Planter is detained in the prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain Rezin Hammond of a plea of Debt and so forth, which said plea as it is said still depends (before)

before you our said Justices undetermined And we being willing for divers Causes that the plea aforesaid undetermined as aforesaid should be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court therefore we command you that you have the Body of the said Edward Norwood by whatsoever name he be called in the plea aforesaid together with the cause of his caption and detention and all things thereunto relating before the Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis the second Tuesday of October next, that the Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains 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 twenty third day of June Anno Domini 1795

A.R. Issued the 31.st day of August 1795. John Gwinn Clk.

whereupon the proceedings aforesaid are Ordered to be and hanomatted accordingly. —

In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal of my Office this tenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five

William Gibson Clk.

At which same second Tuesday of October being the thirteenth day of the same month to Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety five comes here into our General Court as well the aforesaid Rezin Hammond by Alexander Pitt Buchanan, Philip Barton Key and Zebulon Hollingsworth his Attornies as the aforesaid Edward Norwood by Richard Ridgely and Archibald Robinson his attornies, And the said Edward Norwood by his attornies 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 Rezin Hammond also. —

At which said next Court to wit, the second Tuesday of May being the tenth day of the same month Anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety six comes again here into our General Court as well the aforesaid Rezin Hammond by his Attornies aforesaid as the aforesaid Edward Norwood by his Attornies aforesaid And the said Edward Norwood by his Attornies aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when and so forth, and saith that the aforesaid Rezin Hammond his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not to because he saith that he the said Edward Norwood did pay unto the aforesaid Rezin Hammond the said sum of Money in the Condition of the said (writing)