he is worth above the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds current money over and above all Debts he may owe.

Sworn to in open Court this 27th May 1796. Jno. Grinn, clk

And thereupon on motion of the said Harry Dorsey Gough by his attorney aforesaid it is ruled by the court here that the said Richard Stringer answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the said Harry Dorsey Gough in the plea aforesaid; and unless the said Richard Stringer answers to the Declaration aforesaid, judgment will be entered against him by default &c. and the said Richard Stringer by his attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when &c. and prays leave of the court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of october next and then to answer to the Declaration aforesaid of the said Henry Dorsey Gough in the plea aforesaid; and to him it is granted: the same day is given to the said Harry Dorsey Gough also.

At which said second Tuesday of october being the Eleventh day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six comes again into the General Court here as well the said Harry Dorsey Gough by his attorney aforesaid, as the said Richard Stringer by his attorney aforesaid; and the said Richard Stringer by his attorney aforesaid as before defends the force and injury when, &c. and saith that the said Harry Dorsey Gough his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought not; because he saith that he the said Richard Stringer did pay unto the said Harry Dorsey Gough the said sum of money in the condition of the writing obligatory aforesaid mentioned, with all Interest thereon due according to the form and effect of the said Condition, to wit at the County aforesaid: and this he the said Richard is ready to verify: wherefore he prays judgment whether the said Harry Dorsey Gough his action aforesaid against him to have or maintain ought, &c.

And the said Harry Dorsey Gough by his attorney aforesaid says that he by any thing by the said Richard Stringer above in pleading alleged from having and maintaining his action aforesaid against him the said Richard Stringer ought not to be precluded, because he says that the said Richard Stringer hath not paid to him the said sum of money in the condition aforesaid mentioned with the Interest thereon as aforesaid in manner and form as the said Richard Stringer above by pleading hath alleged; and of this he prays may be enquired of by the country: and the said Richard Stringer in like manner &c. Therefore let a Jury thereon appear before the court here on the second Tuesday of may next by whom &c. and who neither &c. to Recognize &c. because as well &c. the same day is given the parties aforesaid, then and there &c.

And now at this day to wit, the said second tuesday of May being the ninth day of the same month, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven comes again here into the General Court as well the said Harry Dorsey Gough by his attorney aforesaid as the said Richard Stringer by his attorney aforesaid; and the said Richard Stringer by his attorney aforesaid relinquishing the argument aforesaid above by him pretended says that he cannot deny the action aforesaid of the said Harry Dorsey Gough so as aforesaid against him brought that he owes to the said Harry Dorsey Gough the said sum of two hundred and sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current money the value of two hundred and sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence specie in manner and form aforesaid so as the said Harry Dorsey Gough above against him hath declared.

Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Harry Dorsey Gough recover against the said Richard Stringer as well the sum of two hundred and sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current money the value of two hundred and sixteen pounds thirteen shillings and four pence specie his debt aforesaid in form aforesaid confessed as also the quantity of eight hundred and sixty three pounds of Tobacco by the Court here unto the said Harry Dorsey Gough on his assent adjudged as well for his damages sustained by reason of the detention of that debt as for his Costs and Charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expended. And the said Richard Stringer in mercy and &c. forth.

Memorandum Judgment was rendered in this Cause on the eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven for penalty and Costs of suit, and the plaintiff agrees to release the penalty upon the payment of principal Interest and Costs: and agrees to stay Execution to first of August next payments if any to be allowed. Test. John Grinn Clk

State of Maryland against Richard Chew.

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit, on the thirtieth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, The State of Maryland by Luther Martin its 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 Richard Chew late of Ann Arundel County yeoman otherwise called Richard Chew of Ann Arundel County and State aforesaid if he shall be found in your bailiwick and him safe

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