the last aforegoing writ come into the General Court here as well the said Samuel Blair surviving executor as aforesaid by his attorney aforesaid as the said Walter Roe by his attornas aforesaid, and the said — Chief Justice. afociate Justices and Clerk of Frederick county court — aforesaid now here certify and return to the court here with the said writ of Diminution a transcript of the record of proceedings aforesaid had before the said County court and which is contained in the words following to wit. State of Maryland, Frederick county to wit. At a county court begun and held at the court House in Frederick Town in and for said county on the third tuesday and seventeenth day of August in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety. Present The worshipful Upton Sheredine Jacob Young, William Beally, William Murdock Beall, William Luckett, John Ross Key, George Scott, William Magruder, Henry Darnall, George Murdock, John Gwinn, Nicholas Hobbs, William Emmitt, Stephen Winchester, and James Johnson Gentlemen Justices in and for the county aforesaid duly commissioned and sworn Peter Mantz Esquire Sheriff — William Ritchie clerk are the following proceedings to wit

Walter Roe surviving obligee of Thomas Usher and Walter Roe
against
Samuel Blair and William Shields executors of William Blair

Judgment
Be it remembered that heretofore to wit the twenty first day of February in the year seventeen hundred and eighty five command was given to the sheriff of Frederick county that he should take Hannah Blair and Samuel Blair and William Shields late of Frederick county executors of the last will and testament of William Blair late of Frederick county deceased otherwise called William Blair of Frederick county and Province of Maryland if they shall be found in his bailiwick and them safe keep so that he have their bodies before the Justices of the then next county court to be held at the court house in Frederick Town in said county on the third tuesday of March then next to answer unto Thomas Usher and Walter Roe by the name of Thomas Usher & Co. of a plea that they render unto them the sum of two hundred and seventy six pounds and four pence current money which from them they unjustly detain and so forth and that thereof he the said Sheriff should not fail at his peril, and that he should have then there that writ and so forth.

At which said third tuesday of March being the fifteenth day of the same month in the year seventeen hundred and eighty

five and the day of the return of the aforegoing recited writ come the said Thomas Usher and Walter Roe by Richard Potts their attorney and the Sheriff of Frederick county to whom the same writ was directed, also comes and makes return thereof to the court thus endorsed to wit "Cepi Sam.l Blair & Wm. Shields I.E. Hannah. A Fisher Sheriff.

And the said Thomas Usher and Walter Roe by their attorney aforesaid file in court this cause of action in the plea aforesaid which follows in these words to wit, Know all men by these presents that I William Blair of Frederick county & Province of Maryland Merchant am held and firmly bound unto Thomas Usher & Co. of Baltimore county and Province aforesaid in the full and just sum of two hundred and seventy six pounds and four pence to be paid to the said Thomas Usher & Co. their certain attorney, executors administrators or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made and done, I bind myself, my heirs executors & administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated this sixth day of September anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy four, 1774 The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound William Blair do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Thomas Usher & Co. their certain attorney executors, administrators or assigns the just and full sum of one hundred and thirty eight pounds and two pence common current money with legal interest for the same at or upon the demand ensuing the date hereof without fraud or further delay, then the above obligation to be void else to remain in full force and virtue in Law.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of
John Jaffray - - - - - - - - - - - - Wm. Blair (seal)

which was thus endorsed to wit, Received 17th July 75 of Mr. William Blair thirty six pounds on acct. of the within Bond £36 for Thomas Usher & Co.
M Vence

Recd. 29th March 1775 twenty four pounds 1/3.
£24..1..3. T. Usher

Baltimore county ss. personally appeared before me one of the Justices for preserving the peace in sd. county Thomas Usher who made oath on the holy Evangelists that he has received no part or parcel or any consideration in payment of the within bond other than the sums endorsed thereon Sworn before me this 16th April 1784. Isaac V. Bibber

And the said Samuel Blair and William Shields executors of the said William Blair by Baker Johnson their attorney come and defend the force and injury when and so forth, and pray leave to Imparle hereunto until the next court and they have it the same day is given to the plaintiffs also.