tenor ensues in the words and figures following Viz.

Washington County to wit. The State of Maryland to the Sheriff of Washington County Greeting: We command you that you take James Chapline late of Washington County yeoman if he be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep so that you have his body before the Justices of our next County Court to be held at the Court House in Elizabeth Town in said County on the first monday of April next to answer unto Basil Beall in a plea that he render unto him the sum of thirty four pounds eight shillings and nine pence current Money of Maryland which to him he owes and from him unjustly detains and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you then and there this writ. Witness Richard Potts Esquire chief Justice of our said Court the 14th day of December 1799. Issued the 26th day of March 1800. Ele Williams Clerk.

At which mentioned day to wit the first monday of April in the year last aforesaid comes here the aforesaid Basil Beall by his Attorney aforesaid and offers himself in the plea aforesaid against the aforesaid James Chapline and the sheriff of the County aforesaid to whom the aforegoing writ was likewise comes and makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit. — Cepi John Wagoner Sheriff.

And the aforesaid James Chapline appears in Court here by John Buchanan his Attorney, And thereupon at the prayer of the plaintiff by his Attorney aforesaid the aforesaid James Chapline is adjudged to give special Bail in the plea aforesaid. Whereupon a certain James Malone become pledge and bail for the aforesaid James Chapline that if it should happen that Judgment by the Court here for the aforesaid Basil Beall in the plea aforesaid against the said James Chapline should be rendered then the said James Malone granted as well the debt aforesaid as also all such damages costs and charges which unto the said Basil Beall in his part should by the Court be adjudged of his lands and chattels should be made and to the use of the said Basil Beall levied if it should happen that the said James Chapline the said debt damages costs and charges unto the said Basil Beall should not pay or his body in execution of such Judgment to the publick prison of Washington County aforesaid by that occasion should not render. — And the aforesaid James Chapline by his Attorney aforesaid comes and defends the force and injury when &c. and prays leave of the Court here to imparle untill next Court and he hath it the same day is given to the plaintiff also

At which said next Court to wit, the first Monday of December in the year last aforesaid come here again the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys

aforesaid and the aforesaid Basil Beall by his Attorney aforesaid declares in the plea aforesaid against the said James Chapline in manner and form following to wit. Washington County to wit James Chapline late of Washington County Yeoman was summoned to answer unto Basil Beall in a plea that he render unto him the sum of thirty four pounds eight shillings and nine pence current money of Maryland which to him he owes and from him unjustly detains &c. And whereupon the said Basil by S. Hughes Junr. his Attorney says that whereas the aforesaid James on the fourteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine at Washington County aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory commonly called a Single Bill promised to pay or cause to be paid unto Basil Beall by the name of Basil Beall his heirs or assigns the full and just sum of thirty four pounds eight shillings and nine pence currency on or before the 15th day of December next with legal Interest from the date for value received. — Nevertheless the aforesaid James the aforesaid sum of thirty four pounds eight shillings and nine pence to him the said Basil hath not rendered or paid (although so to do he the aforesaid James afterwards to wit on the sixteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine and often afterwards at Washington County aforesaid by the said Basil was requested, but the same or any part thereof to him the said Basil to render or pay hath altogether refused and still doth refuse wherefore the said Basil says he is the worse and hath damage to the value of fifty pounds Current money of Maryland and therefore he brings suit and so forth and brings here into Court the writing obligatory aforesaid sealed with the seal of him the said James which the debt aforesaid in form aforesaid Witnesseth whose date is the day and year aforesaid and so forth. —

Samd. Hughes Junr. for the plaintiff pledges &c. John Doe and Richard Roe.

Oyer of the writing obligatory mentioned and refered to the aforegoing declaration here follows Viz. I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Basil Beall his heirs or assigns the full and just sum of thirty four pounds eight shillings and nine pence currency on or before the fifteenth day of December next with legal interest from the date for value received as witness my hand and seal this 14th day of September 1799. James Chapline (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing note was the following indorsement to wit. — I assign all my right title claim and Interest of the within note to Luke Tiernan. Basil Beall.

And the aforesaid James Chapline by his Attorney aforesaid comes and defends the force and injury when &c. and prays leave of the Court here to