day of June Seventeen hundred and ninety seven;
Whereas Richard Harwood Esq. High Sheriff of Ann Arundel County has deputed, ordained constituted and appointed the above bound Jasper Edward Tilly his Under Sheriff of the Said County of Anne Arundel to serve in the Said Office of Under Sheriff until the thirty first of October next, ensuing. Now the Condition of the above obligation is Such that if the above bound Jasper Edward Tilley his Heirs Executors and Administrators and every of them do at all times hereafter Save and keep harmless and indemnify the Said Richard Harwood his Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns, as also the Lands Tenements Hereditaments Goods and Chattels of the Said Richard Harwood of for touching and concerning the Returns and Executions of all Such process, Writs and Warrants of what nature soever they be, as are or Shall be directed to the Sheriff of the Said County of Anne Arundel and Shall be brought and delivered or offered to be delivered to the Said Jasper Edward Tilly during the time that he the Said Jasper Edward Tilly, Shall be and continue an under Sheriff to the Said Richard Harwood as aforesaid and of and from all Issues, Fines, Amerciaments, Defaults and Judgments which Shall happen to be imposed or taxed upon the Said Richard Harwood for and concerning the not executing or wrongfully executing or detaining in his hands any Writs process or Warrants and of for and concerning all Escapes of all and every person or persons that Shall be arrested or apprehended by virtue of any Such process Writ or Warrant during the time that the Said Jasper Edward Tilly shall continue an Under Sheriff to the Said Richard Harwood as aforesaid and also if the Said Jasper Edward Tilly his Heirs, Executors and Administrators Shall Save harmless and indemnify the Said Richard Harwood his Heirs, Executors and Administrators as also the Lands Tenements, Goods and Chattels of the Said Richard Harwood of and from all Sums and Sums of Money which Shall be levied or received by the Said Jasper Edward Tilly as Under Sheriff to the Said Richard Harwood as aforesaid, and by any other person by the direction and agent of the Said Jasper Edward Tilly, and from all loss and damage whatsoever that may accrue to the Said Richard Harwood by reason or on account of the Deputation or Appointment of the Said Jasper Edward Tilly for the Office of Under Sheriff aforesaid, and Shall also render a true, just and full Account of and pay

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to the Said Richard Harwood or Order, his Executors or Administrators on the first Monday in each month ensuing the date of these presents, or oftner if required, all Monies and other things that may be received, or come to the hands of the Said Jasper Edward Tilly, as Under Sheriff aforesaid and also to render a true, just and full Account at the times aforesaid of all matters and things that Shall or may be done and executed by him in virtue of his Said Office of Under Sheriff aforesaid during the Continuance therein, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and Virtue in Law. Jasper E. Tilly (Seal)

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of H. Crist. | Saml Godman (Seal) Richd Higgins (Seal)

Copies of which Said Declaration and Oyer were made and Sent to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, with the Said Writ, thereon endorsed "To be Served on the Defendant, with the Writ, or left at his last "place of abode, twenty days at least before the return of the Said Writ, "for plea or Judgment the first Court."

At which mentioned Second Tuesday of October, being the thirteenth day of the Said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and ninety nine, and the day of the return of the foregoing Writ, comes into the General Court here the aforesaid Richard Harwood by Richard Hall Harwood his Attorney aforesaid, And the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County aforesaid, to wit, John Welch Gentleman, to whom the Said foregoing Writ was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed, to wit

"Cepi Copy left the 3rd Octr John Welch Sheff^r

And the Said Samuel Godman by Richard Ridgely his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury, when and So forth; and prays leave of the Court here, to imparle until the Second Tuesday of May next, and to him it is granted, the Same day is given to the aforesaid Richard Harwood also

At which Said Second Tuesday of May, being the thirteenth day of the Said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred, to which Said day the Said Samuel Godman had leave to imparle, comes again into the General Court here, as well the aforesaid Richard Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid, as the Said Samuel Godman by his Attorney aforesaid

And thereupon on motion of the aforesaid Richard Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the Said Samuel Godman answer to the declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Richard Harwood in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be

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