Issued the 15th. day of May 1798. W. Cl., John Gwinn Clk.

And a Copy of the aforegoing Declaration was also made and sent with the Writ which issued in the plea aforesaid directed to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid 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 Court."

At which mention second Tuesday of October being the ninth day of the same month, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight, and the day of the return of the last aforegoing writ, comes again into the General Court here, the aforesaid Joshua Johnson by William Branch his Attorney aforesaid; And the Sheriff of Calvert County aforesaid, to wit, Richard Ireland Junior Gentleman to whom the said last aforegoing writ, was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here, thus endorsed, to wit.

N. E. Richard Ireland Jr. Shff. Calv. Coty.

And afterwards, to wit, On the first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine the aforesaid Joshua Johnson by his Attorney last aforesaid again prosecuted and sued forth, out of the General Court here, the writ of the State of Maryland of Capias ad respondendum, directed to the Sheriff of Calvert County aforesaid, in the words and of the tenor following, to wit.

The State of Maryland, sc. To the Sheriff of Calvert County Greeting, We command you that you take Basil Brooke Junior late of Calvert County Yeoman if he shall be found in your bailiwick, and him safe keep, so that you have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday of May next, to answer unto Joshua Johnson in a plea of Trespass upon the case and so forth, hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then and there this writ Witness the honourable Robert Goldsborough Esquire, chief Judge of our said Court, the ninth day of October Anno Domini 1798.

Issued the first day of February 1799. (W. Cl. Jno. Gwinn Clk.

And a Copy of the aforegoing declaration was also made and sent with the writ which issued last aforesaid in the plea aforesaid directed to the Sheriff of the County aforesaid, thereon also endorsed, "To be served on the Defendant with the writ, or left at ("his)

"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 May being the fourteenth day of the same month, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine, and the day of the return of the last aforegoing writ, comes again into the General Court here, the aforesaid Joshua Johnson by William Branch his Attorney last aforesaid; And the Sheriff of Calvert County aforesaid, to wit, Richard Ireland Junior Gentleman, to whom the said last aforegoing writ, was in form aforesaid directed, makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit.

Copi Copy left 23d. Apl. 99. Richard Ireland Jr. Shff of Calvert Coty.

And the said Basil Brooke Junior by John Machall Gantt his Attorney, appears in Court here; And thereupon, on Motion of the aforesaid Joshua Johnson by his Attorney aforesaid, It is ruled by the Court here, that the said Basil Brooke Junior give special bail in the plea aforesaid; Whereupon the said Basil Brooke Junior by his Attorney aforesaid, files in Court here, a certain Bail piece, and which being approved of by the Court here, is in form following, to wit.

Joshua Johnson Plaintiff
vs
Basil Brooke Junior Defendant

You Basil Brooke, Sulton I. Weems and Alexander Brome do jointly and severally acknowledge yourselves Special Bail for the said Basil Brooke Junior at the suit of the said Joshua Johnson in an Action of Trespass upon the Case brought by the said Joshua Johnson against the said Basil Brooke Junior in the General Court. They acknowledge themselves content therewith.

To the Honble the Judges of the Genl Court.

I do hereby imporver John M Gantt Esq. to appear for me in this Action, Witness my hand this 27th. day of April 1799. Wat. Machall

And thereupon, on motion of the aforesaid Joshua Johnson by his Attorney aforesaid. It is ruled by the Court here, that the said Basil Brooke Junior answer to the declaration aforesaid of the aforesaid Joshua Johnson in the plea aforesaid, or Judgment by the Court here will be entered against him in default thereof; And the said Basil Brooke Junior by his Attorney aforesaid, defends the force and injury, when and so forth, and prays leave of the Court here to imparle until the second Tuesday of October next, and thereto

(answer)