the said premises with the appurtenances unto the said Montezuma and his Assigns from the twenty seventh day of February then last past for and during and until the full end and Term of ten years thence next ensuing and fully to be complete & ended by virtue of which said several demises the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico entered into all and singular the premises aforesaid with the appurtenances thereunto belonging and was thereof possessed and the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico being so thereof possessed the said Hernando Cortes afterwards to wit on the said first day of March with force and arms to wit with six field pieces five hundred small arms fifty horse and five hundred foot at the County aforesaid entered into the said several premises with the appurtenances which the said George Frazier Hawkins Nathaniel Washington and Margaret his wife and Henderson Sim Butler and Susanna Greenfield his wife demised to the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico in manner aforesaid for the Terms aforesaid which are not yet expired and him the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico from the premises aforesaid ejected and other outrages to him the said Montezuma then and there did to the great damage of him the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico and against the peace Government and dignity of the State of Maryland and so forth whereby the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico saith he is injured and hath damage to the value of one thousand pounds current money of Maryland and therefore he brings suit and so forth

John T Mason Pltffs Atty

Sir

I am informed that you are in possession or claim title to the premises in the declaration mentioned or to some part thereof and I being sued in this action as a bafuad



Ejecta and having no claim or title to the same do advise you to appear in the general court to be held for the Western Shore at the City of Annapolis on the second Tuesday in May next by some attorney of that court and then and there by rule of the same court to cause yourselves to be made defendants in my stead otherwise I shall suffer judgment to be entered against me and you will be turned out of possession.

With great sincerity

I am Sir

Your Loving friend

Hernando Cortes

To Samuel Burress
Leonard Burress
Allen Billingsly
Jonathan Woodburn &
John Lyon Tenants in possession

Copies of which said declaration and notice were made and sent to the Sheriff of Saint Marys County aforesaid there on endorsed to be served on each of the Defendants Tenants in possession or set up on the premises at least eight days before court At which mentioned second Tuesday of May being the eleventh day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and two and the return day of the service of the copies of the aforegoing declaration comes into the General Court here the said Montezuma Emperor of Mexico Lessee of the said George Frazier Hawkins Nathaniel Washington and Margaret his wife and Henderson Sim Butler and Susanna Greenfield his wife by his attorney aforesaid and the Sheriff of Saint Marys County aforesaid to wit Francis Millard Gentleman to whom the copies of the declaration in ejectment and notice aforesaid were in form aforesaid made and sent certifies to the Court here the service thereof in form following to wit

Service on the 28th day of April 1802. on each of the said Tenants in possession

Francis Millard Sheriff