Dorchester County Sc. on the 17th day of February Anno Dominni 1774 came Archd. Paterson and Samuel Davidson Factors for the within named Speirs and French and Company and made oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that the several Articles in the within account as marked with the Initial Letters of their names respectively are just and true as they stand stated and that they have not either directly or indirectly received any part or parcel thereof or any security or satisfaction for the same to the best of their Knowledge

Sworn before Wm. Emralls

Mr Charles Walker Sub Sheriff. To Speirs & French & Company. Dr.

1772. May	15th	To Neat Gun	3	7	6
June	3.	To Pair Mens double Channeld Pumps		15	
	4.	To 13 3/4 yards fine dyed Jeans	3	8	9.
		To 4 1/2 yards fine brown holland	1.		7½
		To 2 1/2 yds white Irish Sheeting 7/1. 3/4 yd bro. Russia £2/13		9	4.
		To 1 yard Buckram		2	
		To 3 hanks silk 2/6. 2 Slips thread 1/.		3	6.
July	1st	To Pair Mens yellow wash Gloves		2	4.
		To Pair Mens white thread Stockings		6	3
			£ 9.	15.	3½.

Vienna 5th September 1772.

Errors Excepted for Speirs, French and Company. Per Samel Davidson

Dorchester County Sc. Vienna September 14th 1772. Came Samuel Davidson before me the Subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the Peace for the County aft. and made oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Account as it stands stated are just and true and that he has not directly or Indirectly received any part or parcel thereof or any thing in Security or satisfaction for the same to the best of his Knowledge.

James Muir.

Whereupon came here into Court the aft. Philemon Lecompte by Robert Goldsborough the 4th his Attorney and prayed Liberty of Imparling thereof untill the second Tuesday in August then next following and he had it &c. And the same day was given to the aft. Alexander Speirs, John Bowman, William French, Ebenezer Mackie, John Crawford, and George Crawford &c.

At which day here came the Parties aft. by their Attorneys aft. and the aft. Philemon Lecompte prayed further Liberty of Imparling thereof until the second Tuesday in November then next following and he had it &c. And the same day was given to the aft. Alexander Speirs, John Bowman, William French, Ebenezer Mackie, John Crawford, and George Crawford &c.

At which day here came the Parties aft. by their Attorneys aft. and the aft. Philemon Lecompte prayed further Liberty of Imparling thereof until the second Tuesday in March then next following and he had it &c. And the same day was given to the aft. Alexander Speirs, John Bowman, William French, Ebenezer Mackie, John Crawford and George Crawford &c.

And now at this day here came the Parties aft. by their Attorneys aft.

and the aft. Alexander Speirs, John Bowman, William French, Ebenezer Mackie, John Crawford, and George Crawford pray that the aft. Philemon Lecompte to their Declaration aft. may answer.

And the aft. Philemon by his Attorney aft. comes and defends the force and Injury when and so forth and saith that he the said Charles in his lifetime did not assume upon himself in manner and form as the aft. Alexander Speirs, John Bowman, William French, Ebenezer Mackie, John Crawford, and George Crawford above against him complain and also that they ought not to have their Action against him the said Philemon because he saith that he hath fully Administered all the Goods and Chattels which were of the aft. Charles Walker at the time of his death and that he hath not nor on the day of obtaining the original Writ of them aft. nor at any time afterwards had any Goods or Chattels which were the aft. Charles Walker's at the time of his death in his hands to be Administered whereof the said Philemon the aft. Sums of Money or any part thereof to the same Alexander Speirs and Company could not pay and this he is ready to verify wherefore he prays Judgment if the aft. Speirs and Company ought to have their Action aft. thereof against him and so forth.

And the aft. Alexander Speirs and Company say that they for any thing by the aft. Philemon before alledged ought not to be precluded from having their Action aft. because they say that the aft. Charles before the day of the suing out their original Writ did assume upon himself in manner and form as they the same Speirs and Company above against him complain and that Administration of the Goods and Chattels which were of the deceased at the time of his death to the aft. Philemon was committed as they above against him have declared and so forth. And that the said Philemon hath not fully Administered all the Goods and Chattels which were of the deceased at the time of his death as the aft. Administrator in his Plea aft. alledges and pray that this may be enquired of by the Country and the aft. Philemon likewise

Wherefore It was commanded to the Sheriff of Dorchester County aft. that he should cause to come here before the Justices aft. immediately Twelve &c. who neither &c. to recognize &c. because as well &c. and thereupon Thomas Emralls, the 3d, Thomas Smith, Chic. Roger Ashom Hooper, Levin Wall, John Stevens Lb, Thomas Hill Airey, Henry Emralls, Benj. Todd, John Marshall, George Brown, John Keel, and Richard Glover, good and lawful Men of the County aft. by the said Sheriff to this being impannelled and here called do come who to say the Truth of the Premises being Elected tryed and sworn upon their Oath do say. That he the said Philemon hath not fully Administered the Goods & Chattels of the said Charles Walker deceased as the aft. Plaintiffs by Replication have alledged and do assess the damages of them the said Plaintiffs by occasion of the Nonperformance of the Promise and Assumption aft. beyond their Costs and Charges by them about their Suit in this part appeared to fifteen Pounds twelve shillings and eight Pence current Money of Maryland and for those Costs and Charges to one Pound of Tobacco.

Therefore It is considered by the Court here that the aft. Plaintiffs do