the said Moses then and there did to the great damage of the said Moses Meek and against the Peace Government and Dignity of the State of Maryland and so forth Wherefore the said Moses Meek saith that he is the worse and hath Damage to the value of twenty thousand Pounds current Money and thereupon he bringeth Suit and so forth. } John Doe
R Goldsborough Junior. Pledges and so forth } Richd Roe

Sir. I am informed that you are in Possession of or claim Title to the Lands and Premisses in this Declaration of Ejectment mentioned or to some part thereof and I being sued in this Action as Casual Ejector and having no Claim or Title to the same do advise you to appear to this Declaration at the next General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of Maryland at Talbot County Court house the second Tuesday of April next by some Attorney of that Court and by Rule of the same Court to cause yourself to be made Defendant in my stead and to confess the Lease Entry and ouster and insist upon the Title only at the Trial otherwise Judgment will be given against me by Default and you will be turned out of Possession. I am yours and so forth. Ben Bussy Cody

To Francis Baker Tenant }
in Possession of the Premisses }

At which aforesd second Tuesday of April 1779. came the aforesd Moses Meek by Robert Goldsborough Junior his Attorney And the Sheriff of Talbot County aforesd made return That on the day of last past He did deliver to Francis Baker Tenant in Possession of the Messuage and Premisses in Question a true Copy of the Declaration in Ejectment hereto annexed at the foot of which Declaration is a Notice for the said Francis Baker to appear on the second Tuesday of April then next in this Court and defend his Title otherwise Judgment would be entered against him by Default. And further said that he told the said Francis Baker that if he did not appear & defend his Title the then next April Term he would be turned out of Possession. Therefore It is ordered by the Court with the convent of the Attornies for both Parties that Francis Baker be admitted Defendant instead of the now Defendant Ben Bussy Cody and that he forthwith appear at the Suit of the Plaintiff & put in common Bail & receive a Declaration in a plea of Trespass and Ejectment for the Messuage & Premisses and plead thereunto not Guilty And that upon the Trial of the Issue he confess Lease Entry & actual ouster and insist upon the Title only otherwise Judgment shall be entered by the Plaintiff against the now Defendant Ben Bussy Cody by default And if upon the Trial of the said Issue the said Francis Baker shall not confess the Lease Entry and actual ouster by which the Plaintiff will not be able further to prosecute his Bill against the said Francis Baker then no Costs shall be awarded upon such Nonsuit but the said Francis Baker shall pay to the Plaintiff the Costs and Charges to be taxed thereupon. And it is further ordered that if on the Trial of the

said Issue a Verdict shall be given for the Defendant or if it happen the Plaintiff should not further prosecute his said Bill for any other cause than for not confessing the said Lease Entry and actual ouster that then the Plaintiff Lessor shall pay to the said Francis Baker his Costs and Charges in that case to be awarded to him by the Court { R Goldsborough Junr for the Plaintiff
Gustavus Scott. for the Defendant.

And the aforesd Francis Baker by his Attorney aforesd Prayed Liberty of the Court there to take his defence for all that Tract of Land called Bakers Pasture containing thirty four Acres and one half Acre be the same more or less the location of the same to be ascertained upon the Warrant of Survey. and it was granted unto him.

And the aforesd defendant by his Attorney aforesd prayed liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of September then next and he had it the same day was given to the aforesd Plaintiff there and so forth.

At which aforesd second Tuesday of September 1779. came the Parties aforesd by their Attorneys aforesd And the aforesd defendant by his Attorney aforesd prayed a further liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of April then next & he had it the same day was given to the aforesd Plaintiff there & so forth.

At which aforesd second Tuesday of April 1780. came the Parties aforesd by their Attorneys aforesd And the aforesd defendant by his Attorney aforesd prayed further liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of September then next and he had it. the same day was given to the aforesd Plaintiff there and so forth.

At which aforesd second Tuesday of September 1780. came the Parties aforesd by their Attorneys aforesd And the aforesd defendant by his Attorney aforesd prayed further liberty of Imparling thereof there until the second Tuesday of April then next and he had it the same day was given to the aforesd Plaintiff there and so forth.

At which aforesd second Tuesday of April 1781. came the Parties aforesd by their Attorneys aforesd And the aforesd defendant by his Attorney aforesd said that he was not thereof Guilty of the Premisses above upon him imposed in manner and form as the aforesd Plaintiff in the Declaration of Trespass and Ejectment above against him had complained and of this he put himself upon the Country and so forth and the aforesd Plaintiff in like manner and so forth. Therefore a Jury was ordered to come before the Court there the second Tuesday of September then next who neither and so forth. to Recognize and so forth. Because as well and so forth. the same day was given to the aforesd defendant there and so forth.

At which aforesd second Tuesday of September 1781. came the Parties aforesd by their Attorneys aforesd Therefore it was further ordered that a Jury should come before the Court there the second Tuesday of April then next who neither and so forth. to Recognize and so forth. Because as well and so forth. the same day was given to the aforesd defendant there and so forth.

At which aforesd second Tuesday of April 1782. came the Parties aforesd by their Attorneys aforesd Therefore it was further ordered that a Jury should come before the Court there the second Tuesday of September then next, who neither and so forth to Recognize and so forth, Because as well and so forth. the same day was given to the aforesd defendant there and so forth.