Faunt leroy of Talbot County of the other part Witnesseth that the said Coburn Williams and Melville is to get Framing scantling and shingles for an upper Story thirty feet square and to put it on the said Faunt leroys Mill with a good Roof thereon and to frame a good and sufficient Tumbling Dam sixty feet long and to put it down and Plank and the said Dam well and to make and set up Two Bolting Mills and lift Jack and to lay the floors make the Doors and window Shutters getting the Shingles &c. and to build the Mill with two Water Wheels and both double Geare with Pear head Race and Race Gates and to fix and set to running two pair of Stones in good and compleat order fit for Merchant or Country Work and to finish fix and compleat the said Faunt leroy Mill from what she now stands in as good order as is Customary for new Mills to be to be adjudged by other Master Mill Wrights if he the said Faunt leroy thinks fit and they the said Coburn Williams and Melville Premiseth that they will finish the said Mill as soon as possible they can and in all other matters they will finish the Mill as they ought to do for the due performance of the above and each of the above Articles the said Faunt leroy is to pay the said Coburn Williams and Melville six hundred Bushels of Corn and three hundred Bushels of Wheat for their due performance as aft. and the said Faunt leroy is to find Plank and Nails for the building said Mill and said Faunt leroy is to saw the Shingle Timber and do the digging and drawing and to accomodate the said Coburn Williams and Melville during the said time of building the said Mill or any other Men and the said Faunt leroy is to find Stones Irons and Plank and all Materials to finish the said Mill & Tumbling Dam and house to the due Performance of the above and each and every Article the parties to these presents bind themselves to each other In Witness whereof the Parties to these Presents set their hands and Seals this 6th March 1779. William Coburn (seal) John Williams (seal) David Melville (seal) John Faunt leroy. (seal) Witness Wm Keene. Sam Wright.

And the aft. Plaintiffs by their Attorney aft. Prayed that a rule of Court be made for the aft. defendant to file his Plea at the then next September Term. and it was Granted unto them Whereupon the same second Tuesday of April 1788 was ruled by the Court there for the aft. defendant to file his Plea and Answer to the Declaration of the aft. Plaintiffs at the then next September Term &c.

And the aft. defendant by his Attorney aft. 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 aft. Plaintiffs there and so forth.

At which aft. second Tuesday of September 1788. came the parties aft. by their Attorneys aft. And the aft. John Faunt leroy by Gustavus Scott his Attorney came and defended the force and Injury when and so forth and said that he had not broken his Covenants aft. nor any of them in manner and form as the said William Coburn John Williams and David Melville thereof above against him had complained And of that he put himself on the Country.

And the said John Faunt leroy by his Attorney aft. with the leave of the Court there first had and obtained according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided further said that the said William Coburn John Williams and David Melville ought not to have or maintain their Action aft. against him because he pleaded that the said Coburn Williams and Melville did not nor did either of them finish fix and compleat the Mill aft. of the said John Faunt leroy in the Declaration above mentioned from what she stood at the time of sealing and executing the Articles of Agreement aft. by the several Parties aft. in as good order as is customary for new Mills to be fixed and compleated nor as soon thereafter as they possibly could nor did they the said Coburn Williams and Melville nor did either of them in any matter thereof finish the said Mill in a good and workman like manner nor as they and either of them ought to have done according to the form and effect of the Covenants contained in the Articles aforesaid in these particulars without that that they the said Coburn Williams and Melville did finish fix and compleat the said Mill of the aft. John Faunt leroy from what she then stood in as good order as is customary for new Mills to be and as soon as they possibly could and that in all matters they did finish the said Mill in a good and workman like manner and as they ought to do in such manner and form as they the said Coburn Williams and Melville had above in their declaration aft. alledged against him by means whereof the Mill aft. of the said John Faunt leroy in a short space of time after the pretended finishing and completing thereof to wit on the day of in the year seventeen hundred and eighty at Talbot County aft. did blow up and become entirely useless and unprofitable to the said John Faunt leroy And that he was ready to verify wherefore he prayed Judgment whether the said Coburn Williams and Melville ought to have or maintain their said Action thereof against him and so forth. Therefore a Jury was ordered to come before the Court there the second Tuesday of April then next Twelve &c. Who neither &c. to Recognize &c. Because as well &c. the same day was given to the aft. Defendant there and so forth.

And now here to wit the second Tuesday of April 1789 cometh the Parties aft. by their Attorneys aft. And the aft. John Faunt leroy by his Attorney aft. further defends the force and Injury when and so forth And saith that he cannot gainsay the Action aft. of the aft. William Coburn, John Williams and David Melville nor can he deny but that agreeable to the Articles of Agreement aft. he oweth unto the same Coburn Williams and Melville the sum of One hundred and ninety four Pounds nine shillings Current Money for building, finishing and compleating the said Mill aforesaid in manner and form as the aft. Coburn, Williams and Melville above against him have declared. Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the aft. William Coburn, John Williams and David Melville do recover against the said John Faunt leroy the Sum of One hundred ninety four Pounds nine shillings Current Money their Damages aft. as also One thousand and nineteen Pounds of Tobacco for their Costs and Charges which they have sustained by Occasion of the Premisses aft. by the Court here adjudged & the aft. John in Mercy and so forth.

James Earle Clk

John Hardcastle Junr against John Williams....	The State of Maryland. Command was given to the Sheriff of Caroline County that he should take John Williams late of Caroline County Farmer if he should be found in his Bailiwick &