State of Maryland
against
James O'Bryan.

Be it remembered that on the twenty third day of August Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty eight the State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney General for the said State sued out its Writ of Scire facias the tenor whereof in use as follows to wit

The State of Maryland To the Coroner or Coroners of Queen Anns County.

(Seal) Greeting: Whereas it appears by the Records of our General Court for the Eastern Shore of Maryland that James O'Bryan and John Hent did by their certain Writing Obligatory now filed of Record in the same Court bearing date the twenty seventh day of November seventeen hundred and eighty seven acknowledged themselves to be held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just sum of one thousand three hundred and seventy pounds current Money of Maryland to which payment they bound themselves and each of them their Heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and Severally firmly by the said Writing Obligatory with Condition that if the therein bound James O'Bryan should well & faithfully execute and perform the Several duties required of him as Collector of the two shillings and six pence Fund Tax for Queen Anns County aforesaid according to Law then the above Obligation to be Void or else to remain in full force And Whereas the said James O'Bryan hath not performed the the Condition aforesaid of the writing Obligatory aforesaid but hath failed in executing the several duties required of him as Collector of the Fund Tax for Queen Anns County aforesaid We therefore Command you that by good and lawfull Men of your bailiwick you make known unto the said James O'Bryan that he be and appear before the Judges of the General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court House the Second Tuesday of September next to shew cause if any he hath or knoweth why the State of Maryland should not have Execution of the Debt aforesaid in the writing Obligatory aforesaid

acknowledged against the Lands and Tenements Goods and Chattels Rights and Credits of the said James O'Bryan according to the form of the Act of Assembly in such Case made and provided if to him it shall seem meet, and have you there and then the names before whom you shall make the same known unto him and this Writ

Witness the Honble Robert Hanson Harrison Esqr Chief Judge of our said Court the 16th day of April Anno Domini 1788.

Issued the 25. of August 1788. (L.S.) James Earle Clk^r

And now here at this Day, to wit: The said second Tuesday of September Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, here comes the State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney General for the said State and James Hackett Rezin Rowles & Edwd Downes Coroners of Queen Anns County to the Court here maketh return that in Compliance with the writ aforesaid to them directed they had made known unto the said James O'Bryan before Arthur Emory and Rachel Downes good and lawful men of their Bailiwick that he should be and appear before the Judges aforesaid at the time and place aforesaid to shew cause &c^a And the said James O'Bryan comes not nor saith any thing in bar or Inclusion to the Scire facias aforesaid: Wherefore the said State of Maryland by Luther Martin Attorney General as aforesaid prays the Judgment against the said James O'Bryan for the Debt aforesaid as all such Damages as shall be adjudged by the Court here &c^a Therefore it is Considered by the Court here that the said State of Maryland do recover against the said James O'Bryan the Debt aforesaid as also the Quantity of

pounds of Tobacco, by the Court here unto the said State adjudged, for the said State's Costs and Charges by the said State in this behalf expended, And the said James O'Bryan in mercy &c^a

James Earle Clk^r