shall and will and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the above named George Vansant Mann or to his certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, the just and full sum of forty nine pounds seven shillings and eleven pence lawfull money as aforesaid with lawful interest thereon without any fraud or further delay then the above obligation to be void or else to be in full force virtue in the Law —

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of } G V Newcomb (Seal)
Turbutt Wright —

Whereupon at the prayer of the said George Vansant Mann it was ruled by the Court here, that the said George Vansant Newcomb should file his plea and answer to the declaration aft. of the said George Vansant Mann, by the second Tuesday of April, next or that Judgment should be rendered against him (the said George Vansant Newcomb,) by default the same day was also given to the said George Vansant Mann, then and so forth —

And now here at this day to wit: the said second Tuesday of April in the year One thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, came again the said Parties by their Attorneys afsd, and the said George Vansant Newcomb by his Attorney aforesaid defends the wrong and injury when and so forth, and saith that he cannot gainsay the action afsd of the said George Vansant Mann, nor can he deny but that the writing obligatory aforesaid is the deed of him the said George Vansant Newcomb; nor but that he oweth to the said George Vansant Mann the aforesaid sum of Ninety eight pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence current money in manner and form as the said George Vansant Mann against him hath complained: Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said George Vansant Mann do recover against the said George Vansant Newcomb the Debt aforesaid in form afsd acknowledged as also the quantity of seven hundred and Ninety seven pounds of Tobacco, as well for his Damages sustained by occasion of the detention of that Debt as for his costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf expended: unto the said George Vansant Mann by the Court here with his assent adjudged and so forth — and the said George Vansant Newcomb, in mercy &c so forth — James Earle Clk.

Judgment was rendered in this action for Penalty and costs. To be released on payment of the Principal, Interest and costs. Payments if any to be allowed, Stay of Execution till next September term. Signed 17th day of April Anno Domini 1789.

Aquila Attix against Josiah Johnson } Be it remembered that the Defendant by Robert Wright his Attorney sued out the State's writ of Habeas Corpus the tenor whereof ensues as follows, to wit.

The State Maryland. To the Justices and Sheriff of Kent County Greeting. Whereas a certain Josiah Johnson late of Kent County is detained in the Prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff, at the suit of a certain Aquila Attix of a plea of Debt, which said plea as it is said still depends before you our said Justices undetermined, and we being willing for divers causes that the plea aforesaid undetermined as aforesaid, shall be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court. Therefore we command you that you have the body of the said Josiah Johnson by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the plea aforesaid together with the cause of his Caption and Detention, and all things thereto relating, 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 April next, that the Judges of our said Court may further proceed therein as to justice appertains and so forth. Hereof fail not at your Peril, and have you then and there this Writ. Witness the honourable Robert Hanson Harrison Esq. Chief Judge of our said Court this twenty eighth day of September Anno Domini 1787. Issued the 26th Day of March 1788. (Test.) James Earle Clk.

At which said second Tuesday of April, in the year One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ, here came into Court as well the said Aquila Attix by Peregrine Letherbury his Attorney as the said Josiah Johnson by his Attorney aforesaid But the Justices and Sheriff of Kent County aforesaid did not make return of the Record and Proceedings in the plea afsd nor the body of the said Josiah Johnson before the Judges afsd as by the said writ they were commanded. Therefore it was ruled by the Court here that the said Justices and Sheriff of Kent County aforesaid should have the body of the said Josiah Johnson by whatsoever name or names he might be called in the plea aforesaid together with the day and cause of his Caption and Detention and all things thereunto relating, before the Judges of our General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Talbot County Court House the second Tuesday of September then next that our Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to justice appertained &c so forth — And the said Josiah Johnson by his Attorney afsd defends the wrong & injury when &c so forth, and prayed the liberty of imparling thereof until the said second Tuesday of September, and it was granted unto him, the same day was given to the said Aquila Attix then &c so forth — At which said second Tuesday of September in the year Seventeen hundred and eighty eight, the Justices and Sheriff of Kent County aforesaid, in compliance with the said rule of Court made return of the writ afsd with the following Record annexed, to wit.

"The execution of the above writ appears by the following Proceedings. The answer of John Scott, James Claypoole, Richard Graves, John Woodland, Donaldson Yates,