Talbot County, to whom the said Writ was directed likewise came and made return thereof thus endorsed to wit "Exp. Daniel P. Cox Shff Talbot." And the said John Cochran by Nicholas Hammond his Attorney came here into Court, and thereupon at the prayer of the said Plaintiffs by their Attorney afd the said John was ruled to give special Bail in the Plea aforesaid. Whereupon Capt. Hugh Sherwood came here into Court before the Judges afd in his proper Person and became Pledge and Mainpeaptor for the said John Cochran, that if it should so happen that Judgment by the Court here, for the said Plaintiffs in the Plea afd against the said John should be rendered, then the said Hugh Sherwood, granted that as well the Debt aforesaid as all such Damages which unto the said Plaintiffs in this part should by the Court be adjudged, of his Lands and Chattels should be made and to the use of the said Plaintiffs levied; if it should happen that the said John the said Debt and Damages unto the said Plaintiffs should not pay, or his body in execution of such Judgment to the Public Prison of Talbot County afd by that should not render. And the said John Cochran by his Attorney aforesaid defended the wrong & injury when and so forth, and prayed the liberty of imparling thereon until the second Tuesday of September then next following, and it was granted unto him the same day was also given to the said Plaintiffs then &c so forth —

At which said second Tuesday of September, in the year One thousand Seven hundred and eighty eight, here came again the Parties afd by their Attorneys afd, whereupon at the prayer of the said Plaintiffs it was ruled by the Court that the said John should file his Plea and answer to the Declaration of the said Plaintiffs by the second Tuesday of April then next, or that Judgment should be rendered against him, by default, the same day was also given to the said John Cochran then and so forth —

And now here at this day to wit, the said second Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight, come again the Parties aforesaid by their Attorneys afd and the said John Cochran by his Attorney afd defends the force and injury when &c so forth, and saith that he cannot gainsay the Action afd of the said Neall Price Aaron Floyd and William Robinson so as aforesaid against him brought, nor can he deny but that the writing obligatory aforesaid is the Deed of him the said John nor but that he oweth to the said Neall, Aaron and William the aforesaid sum of five hundred and fifty six pounds sixteen shillings current money in manner and form as the said Neall Price Aaron Floyd and William Robinson

against him hath complained. Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the said Neall Price, Aaron Floyd and William Robinson do recover against the said John Cochran the Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid acknowledged, as also the quantity of five hundred and seventy four pounds and three fifths of a pound of Tobacco, as well for their Damages which they have sustained by occasion of the detention of that Debt as for their Costs and Charges by them about their suit in this behalf expended. Unto the said Neall Price, Aaron Floyd and William Robinson by the Court here adjudged &c so forth. And the said John Cochran in mercy &c so forth —

Judgment was rendered in this Action on the 18th day of April Anno Domi 1789 for Penalty and Costs. To be released on the payment of the Principal, Interest, and Costs. Payments if any to be allowed, Stay of Execution till September Term next.

James Earle Clk

Thomas Morgan & Wife against Elisha Stewart.

Be it remembered that on the seventh day of November, in the year One thousand Seven hundred and eighty seven, the Defendant by William Hayward Junior his Attorney sued out the State's writ of Habeas Corpus the tenor whereof ensues as follows, to wit:

The State of Maryland. To the Justices and Sheriff of Talbot County Greeting: (Seal) Whereas a certain Elisha Stewart late of Talbot County Planter is detained in the prison of our said County, under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the Suit of Thomas Morgan and Elizabeth his Wife of a plea that he render unto them two hundred and one pounds sixteen shillings Specie current money of Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c — 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 Elisha Stewart by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the plea afd, together with the cause of his Caption & Detention and all things thereunto 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 Esquire chief Judge of our said Court this twenty eighth day of September