debt aforesaid, in form aforesaid alleged & laid, and also the quantity of three hundred and twenty eight and two fifths of a pound of Tobacco which was adjudged for his fees and Charges, by him about his said suit in this behalf expended, and that he have Execution for the same &c.

James Earle Clk.

Judgment was rendered in this action on the fifteenth day of April 1791. for penalty and Costs to be released on payment of principal Interest & fifth payment of any fees allowed, stay of execution till next Term.

Thomas Purnell against Dennis Hudson!

Be it remembered! that on the nineteenth day of February anno domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety. Dennis Hudson, the defendant in this Cause by William Hayward his attorney sued out of our Eastern Shore General Court the State of Maryland's writ of Habeas Corpus which here follows in the tenor.

The State of Maryland, S.t To the Justices and Sheriff of Worcester County, greeting: whereas a certain Dennis Hudson late of Worcester County is detained within prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff at the suit of a certain Thomas Purnell, of a plea of debt which said plea as it is said, still depends before before you our said Justices, undetermined; and we being willing, for divers Causes, that the plea aforesaid, undetermined as aforesaid, should be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court, therefore we Command you that you have the body of the said Dennis Hudson, by whatsoever name or names he may be called within plea aforesaid, together with the 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, in Talbot County, at the Court House within same County, at the first house within same County, the second Tuesday of April next, that our said Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains and doth appertain. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you there and there this writ, witness the Honorable Robert Hanson Harrison, Esquire, chief Judge of our said Court, this first day of October anno Domini 1789. Issued the 19.th day of February anno Domini, 1790.

Test James Earle Clk.

At which said second Tuesday of April, to wit, within year Seventeen hundred and ninety being the day for the return of the aforegoing writ Came the said Thomas Purnell by Gustavus Scott his attorney, and the Justices and Sheriff of the County aforesaid, in Obedience to the Command aforesaid made, return of the same writ with the following Recital thereto annexed to wit, Inquisition Recital and proceedings of Worcester County Court among other matters and things it is contained as follows to wit, Worcester S.t At a County Court of the State of Maryland held at Snow Hill Town in and for the County aforesaid the monday before the first Tuesday of March to wit the first day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety, by the said Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid to wit, of whom were Present The Worshipful John Selby, Josiah

Mitchell, John Pettigrew, Philip Quinton, William Nancy, William Purnell, and James Selby Gentlemen Justices of the said Court, Rodolph Stanger Sheriff — James A. Atkinson Clk.

Thomas Purnell against Dennis Hudson. } Command was given to the Sheriff of Worcester County, that he should take Dennis Hudson late of Worcester County planter if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him safely keep so that he might have his body before the Justices of the County Court of Worcester aforesaid Court by them to be held at Snow hill Town in and for the County aforesaid the monday before the first Tuesday of March anno Domini seventeen hundred and ninety nine, to answer unto Thomas Purnell of a plea that he render unto him one hundred and twenty four pounds sixteen shillings current money of Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. and the same day is given to the aforesaid Thomas Purnell and so forth, At which said Monday before the first Tuesday of March came the aforesaid Thomas Purnell by Isaac Purnell Gentleman his attorney and the Sheriff to wit, Rodolph Stanger Gentleman now here returned, that he has taken the aforesaid Dennis Hudson whose body he has at this day he hath ready to answer unto the aforesaid Thomas Purnell, of the plea aforesaid as by the Inquisition he was Commanded, thereupon the said Dennis Hudson put in his plea by John Done Gentleman his attorney at Law against the aforesaid Thomas Purnell of the plea aforesaid upon which at the request of the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid day is to them now here given until the next Court to be held at Snow hill Town in and for the County aforesaid the monday before the first Tuesday of June then next following in the same state as appears during the parties aforesaid here and so forth, At which said Monday before the first Tuesday of June Came again the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid upon which at the request of the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid day is to them now here given until the next Court to be held at Snow hill Town in and for the County aforesaid the monday before the first Tuesday of November then next following in the same state as at present appears by the parties aforesaid here and so forth, At which said monday before the first Tuesday of November Came again the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid upon which at the request of the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid day is to them now here given until the next Court to be held at Snow hill Town in and for the County aforesaid the monday before the first Tuesday of March then next following in the same state as at present appears by the parties aforesaid here and so forth, At which said monday before the first Tuesday of March Came again the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid, upon which the said Thomas Purnell Complains of the aforesaid Dennis Hudson of the plea aforesaid in manner and form following to wit, Worcester S.t Dennis Hudson late of Worcester County planter was summoned to answer unto Thomas Purnell of a plea that he render unto him one hundred and twenty four pounds sixteen shillings current money of Maryland, which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. And whereupon the said Thomas by Isaac Purnell his attorney saith that whereas the said Dennis on the twelfth day of September A.D. one thousand seven hundred and Eighty seven, at the County aforesaid by his certain writing Obligatory sealed with the seal of the said Dennis which the said Thomas here in Court produces the date whereof is the same day and year aforesaid acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto Thomas Purnell son of Matthew, in the full and just sum of One hundred twenty four pounds sixteen shillings current money of Maryland &c. to be the faithful payment thereof when he should be thereto afterwards required, he bound himself firmly by the said writing Obligatory. Nevertheless the said Dennis altho' often