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The said sum of one pound and ten shillings, current money, the fine afs.d, was paid to the Sheriff of Worcester County, and an account thereof afterwards transmitted to the Treasurer.

The State of Maryland against Joshua Hammond } Be it remembered, that at a General Court of the State of Maryland held for the Eastern Shore of the said State, at Easton, in Talbot County, the second Tuesday in April, in the Year seventeen hundred and ninety, before the Judges of the same General Court, by the Oath of twelve Jurors good, and lawful Men of the said State, who were then and there empannelled, sworn and charged to enquire for the said State and for the body of the Eastern Shore afs.d, it was presented, that Joshua Hammond late of Worcester County Yeoman, together with divers other persons, being Rioters, Routers and Disturbers of the peace, on the thirtieth day of June, in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, with force and arms, at the County of Worcester, riotously, routerously and unlawfully did assemble and gather together, he the said Hammond with the other persons, in and upon one Joshua Mitchell, then and there in the peace of God and of the State being, he the said Mitchell then and there being Surveyor of Worcester County, duly authorised, appointed and commissioned, and then and there being in the execution of his Office, riotously, routerously and unlawfully did make an Assault, and then and there together with the said other persons, riotously routerously and unlawfully, by threats and violence, did prevent him the said Mitchell from executing the duties of his said Office, and from laying and executing an Escheat Warrant obtained by a certain Benjamin Purnell for certain Lands in the said County, which said Warrant the said Benjamin had before that time delivered to the said Mitchell to be laid and executed, and which said Warrant the said Mitchell was then and there laying and executing, and other wrongs to the said Mitchell then and there did, to the great damage of the said Mitchell and against the peace, government and dignity of the State of Maryland &c.

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Whereupon command was given to the Sheriff of Worcester County, on the nineteenth day of September seventeen hundred and eighty nine, that he should take Joshua Hammond if he should be found in his bailiwick, and him safe keep, so that he might have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State, in Talbot County, at the Court-house in the same County, the second Tuesday in April then next, to answer unto the State of Maryland for riotously assembling, and preventing the Surveyor from executing his Office in making a Survey for Benjamin Purnell, of Walter, and that he should not thereof fail at his peril. And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday in April, seventeen hundred and ninety, here comes

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the said State, by Luther Martin Esquire, who for the said State in this matter did prosecute, and Tadeah Stanges Sheriff of the County afs.d to the Court here makes return, that he had taken the body of the said Joshua Hammond, and the same had ready according to the exigence of the same Writ: And the afs.d Joshua Hammond also comes, and being unwilling to contend with the said State, the charges in the Indictment above alledged against him, putteth himself thereof on the mercy of the Court: whereupon all and singular the premises by the Court here being seen and fully understood, it is considered by the same Court, that the aforesaid Joshua Hammond be discharged on paying or securing to be paid the Quantity of seven hundred and sixty two pounds of Tobacco, the costs of this suit: whereupon a certain Colonel Peter Bhaille of the County afs.d comes here into
court before the Judges afs.d in his proper person, and becomes pledge and Mainceaptor for the afs.d Joshua Hammond, that if it should happen that the said Joshua should not pay the Quantity of Tobacco afs.d then the said Peter agreed that the same should be made and levied of the body, goods and chattels, lands and tenements of him the said Peter to and for the discharge of the Quantity of Tobacco afs.d

James Earle Clk.

The State against Henry Purnell } Be it remembered, that at a General Court of the State of Maryland held for the Eastern Shore of the said State, at Easton in Talbot County the second Tuesday in April, in the Year seventeen hundred and ninety, before the Judges of the same General Court, by the Oath of twelve Jurors good and lawful Men of the said State, who were then and there empannelled, sworn and charged to enquire for the said State, and for the body of the Eastern Shore afs.d; it was presented, that Henry Purnell of Worcester County Yeoman, together with divers other persons, being Rioters, Routers and Disturbers of the peace, on the thirtieth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine, with force and arms at the County afs.d Worcester, riotously, routerously and unlawfully did gather together to disturb the peace; and so being then and there riotously, routerously and unlawfully assembled and gathered together, he, the said Henry, with the said other persons in and upon one Joshua Mitchell then and there in the peace of God and of the State being, he the Joshua Mitchell then and there being Surveyor of Worcester County duly authorised, appointed and commissioned, and then and there being in the execution of his Office, riotously, routerously and unlawfully did make an Assault; and then and there together with the said other persons, riotously, routerously and unlawfully, by threats and violence did prevent him the said Joshua Mitchell from executing the duties of his said Office, and from laying and executing an Escheat Warrant, obtained by a certain Benjamin Purnell for certain Lands in the said County, which said Warrant, the said Benjamin had before that time delivered