Price and William Bell, both of Caroline County planters, otherwise called Neal Price and William Bell of Caroline County, if they should be found in his Bailiwick and them should safe keep, so that he might have their bodies before the Justices of our County Court to be held at Molleills Warehouse on the Monday before the third Tuesday in October then Instant, to answer unto William Whitely of a plea that they render unto him the sum of two hundred and twenty two pounds six shillings and eight pence current money of the State aforesaid which unto him they owe and unjustly detain and so forth, and that thereof the the said Sheriff should not fail &c. At which said Monday before the third Tuesday in October came the aforesaid Plantiff by John M. Dowell his Attorney, and the Sheriff of the County aforesaid made return of the Writ aforesaid thus endorsed, to wit: "Exd Corpora Wm Barnes Shff. And the aforesaid Neal Price and William Bell, being called upon appeared, and at the prayer of the Plantiff by his said Attorney, they are adjudged to give Special Bail to the Action aforesaid: Whereupon Benjamin Sylvester and Aaron Lloyd of Caroline County planters, came into the Court before the Justices aforesaid in their proper persons and jointly and severally became Pledges and Mainucaptors for the aforesaid Neal and William, that if it should happen that the said Neal and William in the plea aforesaid should be convicted, that the same Benjamin and Aaron granted that the Debt aforesaid, as all such Damages which unto the aforesaid Plantiff in this part should be adjudged, of their Lands and Chalells, should be made and to the use of the aforesaid Plantiff levied, if it should happen that the same Neal and William the Debt and Damages aforesaid unto the aforesaid Plantiff should not pay or themselves be the publick prison of Caroline County aforesaid by that occasion should not render — And the aforesaid Neall and William by William Hayward their Attorney, came and defended the force and injury when &c and prayed liberty of imparling thereof here until the Monday before the second Tuesday in March next and they had it. the same day was given to the aforesaid Plantiff here &c. At which said Monday before the third Tuesday in March, came as well the aforesaid Plantiff by his said Attorney, as the aforesaid Defendants by their said Attorney, and the aforesaid Defendants by their said Attorney prayed further liberty of imparling thereof here until the Monday before the third Tuesday in June next, and they had it. the same day was given to the aforesaid Plantiff here &c. And now here at this day, to wit, the Monday before the third Tuesday of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty nine, come as well the aforesaid Plantiff by his said Attorney, as the aforesaid Defendants by their said Attorney, and the aforesaid Defendants by their said Attorney, produce to the Court here, the State's Writ of



Habeas Corpus in these words and figures following, to wit: The State of Maryland, Sc. To the Justices and Sheriff of Caroline County, Greeting: Whereas certain Neil Price and William Bell are detained in the prison of your said County, under the custody of you our said Sheriff, at the suit of a certain William Whitely of plea of Debt and so forth; which said plea, as it is said, still depends before our said Justices undetermined; and 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 bodies of the said Neil Price and William Bell, by whatsoever name or names they may be called in the plea aforesaid, together with the cause of their 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 in the same County, the second Tuesday of September next, that our said Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein, as to Justice appertaining, and so forth. Hereof fail not at your peril, and have you then this Writ. Witness the Honorable Robert Hanson Harrison Esquire, Chief Judge of our said Court, this sixth day of May Anno Domini 1789.

Issued the 17th day of August Anno Domini 1789.

W. H. James Earle Clk.

Which said Writ of Habeas Corpus is by the Court here received and allowed.

Wm. Richardson Clk.

In Testimony that the aforegoing is the tenor of the Proceedings of Caroline County Court in the plea aforesaid inrolled, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the publick seal of my Office this 25th day of August Anno Domini 1789.

Caro: County Court Seal

Wm. Richardson Clk Caro: Coty:

Annexed to the aforegoing transcript Record, was the following original Bond, to wit: Maryland Sct. Know all men by these presents, that we Neal Price and William Bell both of Caroline County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto William Whitely of the County aforesaid Gentleman, his Heirs or Assigns in the full and just sum of two hundred and twenty two pounds six shillings and eight pence real hard current money of the State aforesaid: To the which payment well and truly to be made and done we bind ourselves and each of us, our and every of our Heirs, Exors and Admrs in the whole and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seal and dated this 23d day of May Anno Domini 1786. The Condition of the above obligation is such, that