Eastern Shore of Maryland } Henry Nicols and Samuel Earle late of Tal-
Talbot County, ss. } bot County, Administrators of all and sin-
=gular the Goods and Chattels which were of William Nicols late of Talbot
County deceased, were attached to answer unto James Hindman Administ=
=rator of James Anderson of a plea of trespass upon the case and so forth
Whereupon the said James Hindman by William Tilghman his Attor=
=ney complains that whereas the said William Nicols in his lifetime, to wit,
on the first day of October in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and
seventy four at Talbot County aforesaid was indebted to the said James Ander=
=son in his lifetime in the sum of eleven hundred and ninety four pounds
two shillings and two pence half penny lawful money of Great Britain
of the value of nineteen hundred and ninety three pounds ten shillings and
three pence half penny, lawfull money of Maryland, as well for divers goods
wares and Merchandizes of the said Anderson in his lifetime and by him the
said Anderson unto the said Nicols in his lifetime at his special Instance
and Request, there before that time sold and delivered, as for divers sums
of money by the said Anderson in his lifetime to the said Nicols in his
lifetime there before that time at his special Instance and Request lent
and accomodated and for divers other sums by the said Anderson in his
lifetime for the use of the said Nicols in his lifetime there before that
time at his like special Instance and Request paid, laid out and expend=
=ed — And whereas also afterwards, to wit, on the same day and year aforesaid at the
County aforesaid in consideration that the said Anderson had at the like special
Instance and Request of the said Nicols in his lifetime sold and delivered
to the said Nicols in his lifetime divers other Goods Wares and Merchandizes
of him the said Anderson to the said Nicols in his lifetime upon himself
assumed, and to the said Anderson in his lifetime then and there faith=
=fully promised that he the said Nicols as much money as the Goods, Wares
and Merchandizes last mentioned at the time of their sale and delivery
were reasonably worth to the said Anderson, when he should be thereto
required would well and truly content and pay — And the said James
Hindman in fact saith that the said Goods, Wares and Merchandizes

last mentioned were reasonably worth at the time of the sale and delivery thereof
to the said Nicols one other sum of nineteen hundred and ninety three pounds
ten shillings and three pence half penny lawful money of Maryland, to wit,
at the County aforesaid of which the said Nicols in his lifetime there and there had no=
=tice — Yet the said William Nicols in his lifetime, and the said Henry Nicols
and Samuel Earle since the death of the said William Nicols, the several
promises and assumptions of the said William Nicols in form aforesaid made, not re=
=garding, but contriving and fraudulently intending the said James Anderson in
his lifetime, and the said James Hindman since the death of the said James
Anderson in this behalf craftily and subtilly to deceive and defraud the said
sum of lawful money of Great Britain or the aforesaid value thereof in current mo=
=ney of Maryland in the first Count above mentioned, or the said sum of cur=
=rent money of Maryland in the last Count above mentioned to the said
James Anderson in his lifetime, or to the said James Hindman since his
death have not, nor hath either of them paid (to which said James Hindman
Administration of all the Goods and Chattels which were of the said
James Anderson at the time of his death with the Will annexed by Solomon
Clayton, Esquire, Register of Wills for Queen Anns County on the day of
in the year seventeen hundred and eighty at Queen
Anns County aforesaid after the death of the said James Anderson was com=
=mitted) but the same to them to pay they have hitherto altogether refused
and the same to the said James Hindman to pay, the said Henry Nicols
and Samuel Earle still do refuse &c. Whereupon the said James Hindman
saith he is injured and damnified to the value of four thousand pounds
current money of Maryland, and thereupon he brings suit &c. and brings
here into Court the letters of Administration with the Will annexed of the
aforesaid Register of Queen Anns County which the commission of the Administ=
=ration in form aforesaid testify the date whereof is on the day and year aforesaid —
Wm. Tilghman — Pledges &c. John Doe, Richard Roe —
Thereupon further day was given as well to the said James, as to the said
Henry and Samuel until the second Tuesday of April then next
following — At which said second Tuesday of April seventeen hun=
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