hands, possession or knowledge of any other person for them did well and truly administer according to Law, towit, did pay the Debts of the deceased John Wallace so farforth as the personal Estate of the said John Wallace did extend and the Law did charge; and also did pay all such reasonable charges and fees as have accrued or become due to the right Honorable the late Lord Proprietary his Officers or the Officers of the State of Maryland from the said John, James & Thomas on Account of the said John Wallace or his Estate: And the def Thomas further saith that the said John, James and Thomas did make a true and just Account of their Administration on the seventh day of September next following the date of writing Obligatory def; and all the rest and residue of the def Goods, Chattels and Credits which were found upon the Account of the said John, James & Thomas the same having been first examined by the Judges for the time being did distribute and dispose of according to Law and the true intent and meaning of the last Will and Testament of the said John Wallace, and did at all times clearly discharge and save harmless his Lordship's Judges and all the his Officers and Ministers from all persons having or pretending to have any right, title or Interest to the said Goods & Chattels — And the said Thomas further saith that the said John, Thomas & James did well & truly perform, fulfill and keep all and every matter and things which by the Condition of the writing def they ought to have performed, fulfilled and kept, and this he is ready to verify: Wherefore he prays Judgment if the def Agnes her Action def thereof against him to have or maintain ought, &c — And the said Thomas by the leave of the Court here first had, according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided comes and further defends the force and injury when, &c, and saith that the def Agnes her Action def thereof against him to have or maintain ought not, because he saith that he the said Thomas at the time of impetrating the Writ def had fully Administered all the Goods

and Chattels which were of the def John Wallace, at the time of his death in his hands to be Administered; and that he hath not, nor on the day of impetrating the Writ def, or ever after had any Goods or Chattels which were of the def John at the time of his death in his hands to be Administered, whereuntill he the Debt or any part thereof might pay; and this he is ready to verify — Wherefore he prays Judgt. if the def Agnes her Action def thereof against him to have or maintain ought, &c. And the said Thomas by leave of the Court here first had, according to the form of the Statute in such Case made and provided comes and further defends the force and injury when &c, and prays an hearing of the writing def; and he has it in these words, towit.

Which being read and heard he prays an hearing of the Condition of the said writing, & he has it in these Words, towit.

He also prays an hearing of the original Writ of the same Agnes impetrated in this Action, & he has it as follows, towit.

Which being read and heard the said Plts. saith that the same Agnes her Action def thereof ag.t him to have or maintain ought not, because he saith, that the same Agnes did impetrate and sue forth her original Writ in the Action def ag.t him on the day of in the year seventeen hundred & and not before, and that twelve years and more have elapsed from the day of the date of the same writing Obligatory in the Declaration def mentioned, until the day of the impetrating & suing forth the original Writ def, towit, at Kent County def, and this he is ready to verify: Wherefore he prays Judgment if the same Agnes her Action def ag.t him to have or maintain ought, &c. —

And the said Thomas McClure by his Attorney def prayed the further liberty of imparling to this Action until the second Sunday in September then next, and it was granted unto him: The same day was given to the said Agnes Thompson there, &c. — And now here at this day, towit, the second Sunday of April, Anno Domini, one thousand seven hundred and ninety three, come again the parties def by their said Attorneys.