made return thereof thereon thus endorsed, towit: "Cepi Soniah Johnson Shff Kent County". And the said Thomas McClure Executor as afs, being called appeared here in Court by Luther Martin his Attorney; thereupon all further process upon the premises between the said parties, by consent of the said parties and their Attorneys and by order of the Court was continued until the second Tuesday in September then next following.—

At which said second Tuesday of September, towit, in the year afs, came again the said parties by their Attorneys: And the said George & Rachel Pollock by their said Attorney filed their Declaration in the plea afs against the said Thomas McClure Executor as afs, which ensues as follows.—

Eastern Shore State of Maryland — Kent County, towit.—

Thomas McClure late of Kent County, Executor of the last Will and Testament of John Bolton late of Kent County, deceased, was summoned to answer unto George Pollock and Rachel Pollock, f&c. — that he render unto them the sum of Ten thousand pounds Sterling money of Great Brittain, of the value of Sixteen thousand six hundred & sixty six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current money of Maryland, which from them he unjustly detains &c. to &c.—

And whereupon the same George Pollock and Sarah his Wife by William Cooke their Attorney saith, that whereas the aforesaid John Bolton, deceased, in his life time, on the seventh day of September seventeen hundred and seventy, at the County aforesaid, by his certain writing obligatory, acknowledged himself to be held & firmly bound unto the Lord Proprietary of the province of Maryland in the afs sum of Ten thousand pounds Sterling money; to be paid unto the said Lord Proprietary, when afterwards thereunto John Bolton should be thereunto required: By reason whereof Action

hath accrued unto them the said George & Sarah to have and demand of the said John, deceased, in his life time, the afs sum of Ten thousand pounds Sterling money. And the said George and Mary in fact say, that the afs sum of ten thousand pounds Sterling, at the time of making the writing obligatory afs was, always since hath been and still is of the value of Sixteen thousand six hundred & sixty six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence Current money, towit, at the County aforesaid. Nevertheless neither the afs John Bolton a Thomas McClure a either of them (altho' often thereunto required) the afs sum of Sterling, a the value thereof as afs, to them the said George and Sarah Pollock have not rendered a paid, but the sum of Sterling money a the value thereof as afs to them the said George and Sarah a either of them hitherto to render a pay the said John Bolton in his life time, & the said Thomas since his death, have altogether refused and the said Thomas still doth refuse, to the damage of them the said George and Sarah in the sum of thirty thousand pounds Current money, and therefore they bring Suit, &c.— And bring here into Court the writing obligatory afs; sealed with the seal of the said John, which the Debt afs in form afs Witnesseth the date whereof is the day and year afs &c.—

Wm. Cooke for the Plffs — Pledges, &c. Mundee & Rich. Roe.—

The writing obligatory mentioned in the above Declaration ensues as follows.—

Maryland ss. Know all Men by these presents that we Doctor James Anderson, Thomas Hands, John Bolton & William Ringgold of Chester Town, Gentlemen, are held and firmly bound unto the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary of this Province, in the full & just sum of Ten thousand pounds ~~Current~~ Sterling money; to be paid to his said Lordship his heirs and Successors: To which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves and every of us, our and every of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators in the whole and for the whole jointly and severally firmly by these presents, Sealed with our Seals and dated this seventh day of September in the year of his said Lordship's Dominion, &c. Annoque Domini 1770.—

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that if the above