ensues as follows, to wit, Maryland Sc. Know all Men by these presents that we George Robertson and William Ballard are held and firmly bound unto the State of Maryland in the full and just Quantity of Two hundred thousand pounds of good Sound Merchantable leaf Tobacco and Cask, to be paid to the said State &c. To which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves and every of us our and every of our Heirs Executors and Administrators jointly & severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seals and dated this twenty fifth day of November in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and ninety one. The Condition of the above Obligation is Such that if the above bounden George Robertson do well and truly Serve the State of Maryland in the Office of high Sheriff of the County of Somerset within the State aforesaid and in all things well and faithfully execute the same Office and also shall render to the said State and other its Officers a true faithfull and perfect account of all and singular the said States Rights and dues, a true and just account of their fees that he shall or may be entrusted with by the said State aforesaid or its Officers within this State to receive and collect; and his Account to the said State and to the Treasurers thereof for the time being for the fines and forfeitures and other dues belonging to the said State; And also his Account of all fees dues and sums of Money or Tobacco wherewith the said Sheriff shall be entrusted with during the time of his Sheriwalty for this present year or to such of them as shall require the same, shall pass and render by the twentieth day of October next ensuing the date hereof, and in all things as Sheriff of the County of Somerset shall behave himself well and honestly towards all Persons according to the best of his power Skill and Knowledge Then this Obligation to be void and of none effect, else to remain in full force Strength and virtue —

George Robertson (Seal)
James Robertson (Seal)
Wm. Ballard (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of
William Polk — Nehemiah King —

On the back of the aforegoing Bond was thus written, to wit,

Somerset County, to wit, We the subscribers do hereby Certify that the within Bond was executed before us and that we did approve of the Securities therein Certified by us this 25 Nov. 1791. — John Done — Henry Jackson —

November the 25. 1791. Came the within named William Polk and Nehemiah King before the Subscriber and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the within named George Robertson, James Robertson and William Ballard Sign and Seal the within Bond and deliver it as their Act and Deed for the use and purposes within mentioned —

John Done — Henry Jackson.

Recorded in Liber 11 folio 299 on the twentieth day of December Anno Domini 1791. Per Thomas Hayward Clk.

True Copy James Earle Junr. Clk

And the said George by his Attorney aforesaid offended the injury and injury when

he and prayed the liberty of imparling thereof until the second Tuesday of September then next following, and it was granted unto him, the same day was given to the said State there &c. At which said second Tuesday of September in the year Seventeen hundred and ninety five came again into court the Parties aforesaid by their Attornies aforesaid, and the said George by his Attorney aforesaid prayed the liberty of imparling thereof until the second Tuesday of April then next following and it was granted unto him, the same day was given to the said State there &c. And now here at this day, to wit, the second Tuesday of April Seventeen hundred and ninety six come again into court the Parties aforesaid by their Attornies aforesaid, and the said George by his Attorney aforesaid saith that he cannot gainsay the Action aforesaid of the said State of Maryland against him brought nor can he deny that the writing Obligatory aforesaid is his Deed, nor can he deny that he owes to and unjustly detains from the said State of Maryland the aforesaid full and just Sum and quantity of Two hundred thousand pounds of good Sound Merchantable leaf Tobacco and Cask in such manner and form as the said State above against him hath Declared: Therefore it is Considered by the court here that the said State of Maryland do recover against the said George Robertson its Debt aforesaid in form aforesaid Acknowledged, as also the quantity of Six hundred & Sixty nine pounds of Tobacco as well for its Damages which it had Sustained by occasion of the detention of that Debt, as for its Costs and Charges by it about its Suit in that behalf expended, And the said George Robertson in mercy &c. James Earle Junior Clerk.

Judgment was rendered in this Action on the 16th day of April 1796. for Penalty & Costs: To be released on payment of £374 0 s. 7 1/2 d with Interest thereon from the 20th of April 1794. till paid & Costs —

John E. Geist Administrator of Patrick Kelly against Redmond Grace

Be it Remembered that on the twenty fifth day of September Seventeen hundred and ninety four. Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take Redmond Grace late of Somerset County Merchant if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him in his custody Should safely keep so that he should have his Body before the Judges of the General Court, to be held at Easton in Talbot County the second Tuesday of April then next following to answer unto John Eler Geist Administrator of all the Goods and Chattels Rights and Credits which were of Patrick Kelly deceased of a plea of Trespass on the case & Goods. And that he should then and there have that Writ. At which said second Tuesday of April Seventeen hundred and ninety five, came into court the said John Geist by Josiah Bayly his Attorney and the Sheriff of Somerset County also came into court and made return of the aforegoing Writ thereon thus endorsed, to wit, "Cepi, So answers Levin Ballard Shff." And the said Redmond Grace by Benjamin Dashiell his