as well to the said Wilson Hunt as to the said John Harwood by the Court here until the second Monday in June then next following. At which said second Monday in June came here again the Parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said Wilson Hunt by his Attorney aforesaid filed his Declaration in the plea aforesaid against the said John Harwood in the following words, to wit. — Talbot County, to wit, John Harwood late of Talbot County, Gent: was attached to answer unto Wilson Hunt of Philadelphia, Merchant, in a plea of Trespass on the case and so forth. — And whereupon the said Wilson Hunt by John Edmondson his Attorney complains, that whereas the aforesaid John Harwood after the first day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety four, to wit, on the twenty first day of June seventeen hundred and ninety four, at Philadelphia in the State of Pennsylvania, to wit, at the County aforesaid, made his certain note in writing called a promissory Note with his proper hand thereto subscribed bearing date the day and year last aforesaid, and the said note to him the said Wilson then and there delivered, by which said Note the said John then and there promised to pay unto him the said Wilson Hunt the just and full sum of eighty seven pounds fourteen shillings and five pence three farthings sixty days after the date thereof then next ensuing for value received, by reason whereof and also by force of the Statute in such case made & provided the aforesaid John became liable for and chargeable to pay unto him the said Wilson the aforesaid sum of eighty seven pounds fourteen shillings and five pence three farthings at the expiration of sixty days then next ensuing the date thereof according to the tenor of the said Note, and being so therewith chargeable the aforesaid John afterwards, to wit, on the said twenty first day of June one thousand seven hundred and ninety four aforesaid at the County aforesaid, in consideration thereof upon himself assumed and to the said Wilson then and there faithfully promised that he the said John the aforesaid sum of money, when the said Wilson therefunto the tenor of the Note aforesaid would well and truly content and pay. Nevertheless the said John his promise and assumption aforesaid so as aforesaid made, not regarding, but minding and fraudulently intending him the said Wilson in this behalf craftily and subtilly to deceive and defraud the aforesaid sum of money or any part thereof which the said Wilson hath not satisfied or paid, altho' so to do the aforesaid afterwards, to wit, on the twenty eighth day of June seventeen hundred and ninety four, and often afterwards at the County aforesaid, by the said William was requested, but the said sum of money or any part thereof to him the said Wilson to satisfy and pay or in any wise to content hath hitherto altogether refused, and still doth refuse to the Damage of him the said Wilson one hundred and fifty pounds Current money, and therefore he brings suit and so forth. — Jno. Edmondson for Plff. — Pledges &c. Jno. Doe & Richd. Roe.

And the said Wilson by his Attorney aforesaid prayed that the said John Harwood might be held under the rule of the said Court to plead to the Declaration aforesaid of him the said Wilson in the action aforesaid, on or before the fourth Monday in November then next following, and might file his plea of Rend by a before the said day, and it was granted unto him, the same day was given to the said John Harwood there &c. And now here on this day, to wit, the said fourth Monday in November in the year

seventeen hundred and ninety six, cometh here again into Court the Parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid, produced to the Court here a Writ of Habeas Corpus of the State of Maryland, to the Justices and Sheriff aforesaid directed, the tenor of which, enclosed in the following words and figures to wit. — The State of Maryland ss. To the Justices of Talbot County Court, and to the Sheriff of Talbot County, Greeting: Whereas (Seal of the Gen'l Court) as a certain John Harwood is detained in the prison of our said County under the Custody of you our said Sheriff, at the suit of a certain Wilson Hunt of a plea of Trespass upon the case and so forth, which said plea as it is said still depends before you our said Justices undetermined, and we 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 body of the said John Harwood by whatsoever name or names he may be called in the plea aforesaid, together with the cause of his 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 April next, that our said Judges of our said General Court may further proceed therein as to Justice appertains and so forth. — Witness fail not at your peril and have you then and there this Writ. — Witness the Honorable Robert Goldsborough Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court this 10th day of September anno Domini 1797. — Issued the 29th day of November anno Domini 1797. — Sly. James Earle, Clk. Court. — Which being read and heard the same is by the Court allowed and ordered by the same Court, that the cause of the Caption and detention of the said John Harwood, together with the Record and proceedings relating to the same be accordingly transmitted before the Honorable the Judges of the General Court, at their Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of the said State, at Easton in Talbot County, on the second Tuesday of April next ensuing that the said Judges may further proceed as to Justice appertains and so forth. Test. Wm. S. Bond Clk. — Talbot County, to wit: I hereby certify to all persons whom it doth or may concern that the aforegoing Record and proceedings were faithfully and exactly taken from the Records and proceedings of Talbot County Court. — (Seal of Talbot County Court) In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand, and affixed the public Seal of my Office this twenty fifth day of March seventeen hundred and ninety seven. — Wm. S. Bond Clk. Talbot County Court. —

Thereupon appeared in our said General Court, as well the said Wilson Hunt by Thomas Sanders Bullitt Esquire his Attorney, as the said John Harwood by John Goldsborough Esquire his Attorney: upon which it was ruled by the Court at the prayer of the said Wilson Hunt by his Attorney aforesaid that the said John Harwood answer to the Declaration aforesaid of him the said Wilson in the plea aforesaid. And the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid defended the force and injury when &c. and prayed leave of the Court to imparle until the next Term, which he had, the same day was given to the said Wilson Hunt there &c. — At which said next Term, to wit, the second Tuesday of September one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven, came again into Court the parties aforesaid by their Attorneys aforesaid, and the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid further defended the force and injury when &c. and said that he did not undertake & promise in manner and form as the said Wilson Hunt above hath complained against him; And of this he put himself upon the Country &c. — Thereupon it was ruled by the Court at the prayer of the said John Harwood by his Attorney aforesaid that the said