# Judgments.

**John Rock, use of Peter Chaille against James Handy**

Be it remembered that on the seventeenth day of March seventeen hundred and ninety eight, a summons was given to the Sheriff of Worcester County, Yeoman, if he should be found in his Bailiwick, and him safe keep so that he might have his body before the Judges of our General Court to be held at Easton in Talbot County, the second Tuesday of April then next to answer unto John Rock of a plea that he render unto him the sum of ninety four pounds eleven shillings & six pence current money of Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. At which said Second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and ninety eight being the day of the return of the aforegoing writ came into Court the said John Rock by Nicholas Hammond his Attorney, and the Sheriff of Worcester County, to whom the said writ was directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit "Copie so answered Zadok Sturgis Shff." And the said James Handy being called appears in Court here by William Whittington his Attorney, and thereupon at the prayer of the said John Rock by his Attorney afs. it is ruled by the Court here that the said James Handy give special bail in the plea afs.; whereupon Colonel Levin Handy of Worcester County, gentleman, comes here into Court in his proper person and undertakes for the said James Handy, that in case the said John Rock shall recover Judgment against the said James Handy in the plea afs., or that the said James Handy shall be thereof legally convicted, that then the said James Handy shall pay the condemnation of the Court thereupon, or render himself to custody of the Sheriff of the County afs. in satisfaction thereof, or that he the said Colonel Levin Handy will do the same for him. And the said James Handy by his Attorney afs. defends the force and injury when &c. and prays leave to imparle until the second Tuesday in September next and he hath it. Whereupon day is given to the said John Rock then &c. At which said second Tuesday in September seventeen hundred and ninety eight came again into Court the parties afs. by their Attorneys afs., and the said John Rock by his said Attorney declares against the said James Handy in the plea afs. as follows to wit.

Eastern Shore of Maryland Worcester County to wit James Handy late of Worcester County yeoman was summoned to answer unto John Rock of a plea that he render unto him the sum of ninety four pounds eleven shillings and six pence current money of Maryland which to him he owes and unjustly detains &c. — And whereupon the said John Rock by Nicholas Hammond his Attorney saith that whereas the said James Handy on the fifteenth day of February in the year seventeen hundred and ninety six at the County afs. by his certain Bill obligatory which, sealed with the seal of the said James Handy the said John Rock here in Court brings the date whereof is the same day and year afs., promised and obliged himself to pay or cause to be paid unto the said John Rock the afs. sum of ninety four pounds eleven shillings & six pence current money of Maryland before the first day of January next ensuing the date of the said Bill "it being for value received." To the payment whereof the said James Handy did bind himself firmly by the said Bill. Nevertheless the said James Handy all his plea thereto required, the sum of money afs. or any part thereof, to the said



John afs. hath not paid, but the same to pay hath hitherto altogether refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the said John Rock in the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds current money: and therefore he brings this Suit &c.

N. Hammond Appellt. pledges &c. John Doe & Richd. Roe.

The afs. Bill obligatory mentioned the aforegoing Declaration pursues at follows, towit: This my Note shall oblige me or my Heirs to pay or cause to be paid unto John Rock his Heirs or Assigns ninety four pounds eleven shillings and six pence on or before the first day of January 1797 for value received. As witness my hand & seal this 15th day of February 1796. £94 11 6.

Witness John Stevenson — Jas Handy (Seal)

And thereupon on motion of the said John Rock by his Attorney afs. it is ruled by the Court here that the said James Handy answer to the Declaration in the plea afs. or Judgment will be rendered against him by default; and the said James Handy by his said Attorney defends the force and injury when &c., and prays leave to imparle until the second Tuesday of April next to answer to the Declaration afs. and he hath it, the same day is given to the said John Rock then &c. **And now here**, towit, the second Tuesday in April, seventeen hundred and ninety nine, comes again into Court the parties afs. by their Attorneys afs. And the said James Handy by his said Attorney defends the force and injury when &c. and saith that he cannot gainsay the action afs., nor can he deny that he owes to the afs. John Rock the afs. sum of Ninety four pounds eleven shillings and six pence current money in manner and form as the said John Rock above against him hath complained, nor that the afs. John Rock hath sustained damage to the sum of fifty pounds current money by his Costs and Charges by him about his suit in this behalf laid out and expended. Thereupon it is considered by the Court here that the said John Rock recover against the said James Handy as well the said sum of Ninety four pounds eleven shillings and six pence current money, his debt afs. in form afs. confessed, as the sum of fifty pounds current money his Damages afs. adjudged to be sustained by reason of the detention of the said debt, as also the quantity of five hundred and ninety seven pounds of Tobacco for his Costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf expended, and the said James Handy in mercy &c.

Jas Earle Clk

Judgment April the 16th 1799. for £94 11 6. debt and £50 Damages & Costs. To be released on the payment of £94 11 6. with Interest thereon from the 1st January 1797. till paid & Costs. Payments if any to be allowed day of Execution till next September Term.

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**State of Maryland, use of Samuel Kerr & Elizabeth his wife against Levin Ballard.**

Be it remembered that on the third day of August seventeen hundred and ninety, a summons was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County to take Levin Ballard late of Somerset County, if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him safe keep so that he might have his body before the Judges of our General Court to be held for the Eastern Shore of this State at Easton the second Tuesday of September then next, to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that he render unto the said State the sum of Three thousand pounds current money, which unto the said State he owes and unjustly detains &c.