or to the said Robert since the death of the said Arthur yet hath not paid, altho' so to do, the said William by the said Arthur in his lefetime bound, on the day of in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred &c. before afterwards, by the said Robert, afterwards bound, on the day of in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and before since that time Caroline county was required, but the said sum of money or any part thereof unto the said Arthur in his lefetime & to the said Robert since the death of the said Arthur to pay or satisfy he the said William hitherto altogether hath refused and still doth refuse to pay the same to the said Robert to his damage one thousand pounds current money and therefore he brings suit &c, & the said Robert brings here into Court the letters of administration &c whereby it may appear to the Court here that the administration was granted to him the said Robert in manner and form aforesaid &c. William W. Martin attorney for plff pledges &c. John Doe, Richd Roe.

And thereupon on motion of the said Robert Oliver by his attorney aforesaid, it is ruled by the Court here, that the said William Hardcastle, answer to the declaration &c by the second Tuesday of April next, or Judgment will be rendered against him in default thereof, the same day is given to the said Robert Oliver then &c. At which said second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and ninety nine, comes again into the General Court here the parties aforesaid by their attorney aforesaid, and thereupon on motion of the said Robert Oliver by his attorney aforesaid, it is further ruled by the Court here, that the said William Hardcastle answer to the declaration aforesaid by the second Tuesday of September next, or Judgment will be rendered against him in default thereof, the same day is given, to the said Robert Oliver also. At which said second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and ninety nine, comes again into the General Court here the parties by their attorneys aforesaid and the said William Hardcastle by his attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when &c and saith that the said William Hardcastle did not assume upon himself in manner and form as the said Robert Oliver above thereof against him complains: and of this puts himself upon the country, and the said Robert Oliver thereof likewise &c, therefore let a Jury thereupon appear before the Court here, on the second Tuesday of April next, by whom &c, who neither &c, to recognize &c, because as well &c, the same day is given to the parties aforesaid then and there &c. And now here, to wit, the second Tuesday of April eighteen hundred, comes again into the General Court here the parties &c by their attorney aforesaid, and the said Robert Oliver by his attorney aforesaid files in Court here, the following account

		57 " 12 " 8.
1796. May 24.	To Linen & Diaper for Cash	101 " 12 " 3
	" " Manchester goods on 6 Mo.	159 " 4 " 11.
		34 " 12 " 8.
May 27.	By Cash	
	Interest till paid	due Estate of Mr. £104 " 12 " 3

And the said William Hardcastle by his attorney aforesaid defends the force and injury when &c and saith that he cannot deny the action aforesaid, nor that he did assume upon himself in manner & form as the said Robert Oliver above against him hath complained, nor likewise but that the said Robert Oliver hath sustained Damages by reason of the nonperformance of the promises and assumptions aforesaid to the sum of two hundred pounds current money as the said Robert Oliver above by declaring supposes. Wherefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Robert Oliver, recover against the said William Hardcastle, as well the sum of two hundred pounds current money his damages aforesaid in form &c acknowledged, as the quantity of six hundred and seventy nine pounds of Tobacco, for his costs and charges by him about his suit in this behalf expended & the said

William Hardcastle in mercy &c. James Parlejur Clk.

Memorandum. Judgment was rendered in this action on the 4th April 1800. for £200. damages & Costs: To be released on payment of £104. 12s. 3d with Interest from 5th January 1797. till paid and costs. Stay till 1st August next

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State, use of Hugh McCurdy against John Hopkins — Be it Remembered that the State of Maryland by Thomas J. Bullitt her attorney presented and filed into Court here the following writ of fieri ad respondendum.

The State of Maryland to the Sheriff of Somerset county Greeting. We command you that you take John Hopkins late of Somerset county yeoman, if he shall be found in your Bailiwick and him safe keep so that you have his body before the Judges of our General Court, to be held at Easton in Talbot County the second Tuesday of April next, to answer unto the State of Maryland of a plea that he render unto the said State, the sum of one thousand pounds current money of Maryland, which unto the said State he owes and from the said State he unjustly detains &c. Hereof fail not at your peril and have you there and then this writ, Witness the honorable Robert Goldsborough Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court the 13th day of September anno Domini 1797. Issued the 30th day of January 1798. (Seal) Jas Parlejur Clk.

At which said second Tuesday of April seventeen hundred and ninety eight, being the day for the return of the aforegoing writ, comes into the General Court here the said State of Maryland by her attorney aforesaid, and the Sheriff of the county aforesaid to whom the said writ was in form as directs makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed, to wit. "Cepi so answer Geo Handy Shff" And the said John Hopkins being called appears in Court here, by Benjamin Frederick Augustus Cesar Dashiele his attorney, and defends the force and injury when &c, and prays leave to imparle until the second Tuesday of September next and he hath it, the same day is given to the said State also.

At which said second Tuesday of September seventeen hundred and ninety eight comes again into the General Court here the parties aforesaid by their attorneys aforesaid, and the said State by her attorney aforesaid declares against the said John Hopkins in the plea aforesaid as follows to wit State of Maryland Eastern Shore Somerset County, to wit. John Hopkins late of Somerset County yeoman, was summoned to answer unto the State of Maryland, in a plea that he render unto the said State, the sum of one thousand pounds current money of Maryland which unto the said State he owes and from the said State he unjustly detains &c. And whereupon the same State by Thomas James Bullitt her attorney says that the same John Hopkins on the seventh day of January in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety four at the county aforesaid by his certain writing obligatory sealed with his Seal and here into Court now brought by the same State, the date whereof is the same day and year aforesaid acknowledged himself to be held and firmly bound unto the same State in the aforesaid sum of one thousand pounds current money of Maryland to be paid to the said State whenever after he the same Hopkins should be thereto required; to the payment whereof well and truly to be made & done, the same Hopkins bound himself his heirs executors & administrators firmly by the said writing obligatory. Nevertheless the said Hopkins altho' thereto often required the aforesaid sum of money or any part thereof unto the same State yet hath not rendered or paid, but the same or any part thereof to render or pay hitherto altogether hath refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the said State two thousand pounds current money of Maryland and therefore she brings this suit &c.

Thomas J. Bullitt for plff. pledges &c. John Doe, Richd Roe