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Cæcilius &c.<sup>a</sup> To the Sheriff of Dorchester County Greeting Whereas it was Commanded the Sheriff of Calvert County that he take John Bally if he Shall be found in his Bailywick & him Safe keep So that he have his Body before o.<sup>r</sup> Justices of our provinciall Court to be held at S.<sup>t</sup> maries the Sixteenth day of Octob.<sup>r</sup> 1666 to answ.<sup>r</sup> unto Raymond Stapleford in an action of debt upon acc.<sup>o</sup> to the Value of four hundred fifty five pounds two Shillings Eight pence new England money and forty five thousand and five hundred twenty Eight pounds of Tobacco w.<sup>th</sup> Cask at which Said Sixteenth day of Oct.<sup>r</sup> the Same Sheriff returned that the Said John Baly was not found in his Bailywick Whereupon it was then Considered by our Said Court that an Attachm.<sup>t</sup> ag.<sup>t</sup> the Estate of the Said John Baly be Granted the Said Raymond w.<sup>ch</sup> accordingly iss.<sup>d</sup> for forty five thousand five hund.<sup>d</sup> Twenty Eight pounds of Tob.<sup>o</sup> and four hundred fifty five pounds two Shillings Eight pence New England money & one hundred pounds more directed to the Said Sheriff of Calvert Co.<sup>ty</sup> & the Same in the Custody of the Same Sheriff to keep untill the Said John Bayly or his Attorney appear to ans.<sup>r</sup> the Suit of the S.<sup>d</sup> Stapleford at y.<sup>e</sup> next prov.<sup>ll</sup> Co.<sup>rt</sup> to be held the Eleventh of Decemb.<sup>r</sup> then next coming And Whereas afterwards to witt at our prov.<sup>ll</sup> Court held at S.<sup>t</sup> maries the fourth day of June 1669 the S.<sup>d</sup> John Baly petitioned our Said Co.<sup>rt</sup> that Whereas in the month of July 1666 he put to Sea upon a Voyage Intended for Ireland from thence Intended to Barbadoes & So back again for Maryland but by reason of the defectiousness of y.<sup>e</sup> Vessell the master & Company did put into ffyall where by distress of weather the Vessel was Cast away and So the pet.<sup>r</sup> could not return thence untill November then last that in the pet.<sup>rs</sup> absence the Said Raymond Stapleford upon false Suggestions & Imaginary p<sup>r</sup>tences took out a Warrant against him for 455<sup>t</sup>..2.<sup>s</sup>..8<sup>d</sup> & for 45528.<sup>t</sup> of Tob<sup>o</sup> directed to the Sheriff of Calvert County who at a Court held at S.<sup>t</sup> maries the 16<sup>th</sup> of Octob.<sup>r</sup> brought & Returned his writt of non Est Inventus Whereupon the Court Granted Stapleford an attachm.<sup>t</sup> on the pet.<sup>rs</sup> Estate w.<sup>th</sup>out profoe of any thing to be due unto him w.<sup>ch</sup> attachm.<sup>t</sup> was Confirmed at a Court held the 9.<sup>th</sup> of Ap.<sup>ll</sup> 1667 that Stapleford by virtue thereof getts out of the hands of Severall men in Ready pay & Bills to the value of ten thousand Six hundred thirty Seven pounds of Tob.<sup>o</sup> of yo.<sup>r</sup> pet.<sup>rs</sup> Effects as also his Chest w.<sup>ch</sup> was at his Lodging wherein were Sundry Sort of Goods & his Apparell as also his Book accompts Letters of Correspondency Bills of Lading, Receipts Releases Bills Bonds & without produceing any Inventory of the s.<sup>d</sup> writings neither of the Goods nor Apparrell that were in the Said Chest or any appraisem.<sup>t</sup> that Ever was made of them, That yo.<sup>r</sup> pet<sup>r</sup> knowing himself at his departure not to be anything Indebted to the Said Stapleford but he in the pet.<sup>rs</sup> debt above one hund.<sup>d</sup> thousand

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