Liber N N hath delivered him But your petitioner being very Credibly informed by letters from his Owners & others in London that the said ffulford Since makeing the said Charterparty is broke, & the Said Master hath no wayes to secure his hire of the said Shipp &c but the said goods, And the said Edward Leach demanding the remaind of the said goods your Pet hath refused to deliver them Unlesse the Said Edward Leach will Secure the payment of the hire of the Said Shipp &c aforesaid which he refuseth but threatens your Pet with Suits & protest.

Y^r Pet^r therefore humbly prayes y^r Lopps consideration of the premisses & to call the said Edward Leach before y^r Lopp and that he may be Ordered to give Security for performance of the said Charterparty Out of the said goods or otherwise as y^r Lopp in justice shall thinke meete. And y^r Pet^r shall pray.

On the backside of which petition was endorsed. I doe hereby appoint tuesday the 23th of this instant month of May for the heareing this Petition & that the Said Thomas Peighin and Edward Leach be then at the Citty of s^t Maries at the heareing & determining the same and that the said Peighin give notice to the said Edward Leach hereof.

Ch: Baltemore

May 16th 1676.

Afterwards to wit the foure and twentith day of May in the yeare aforesaid at a Provinciall Court held at st Maries before his Lordshipp and his Lopps justices thereunto assigned the Petition aforesaid with the said Charterparty was read in Open Court, the judgmt of the Court was that the business in the Petition mentioned is not legally brought before them, Afterwards to wit the said foure and twentith day of May in the yeare aforesaid Comand was given to the Sheriff of st Maries County that he take George ffulford late of st Maries County merchant otherwise called George ffulford of London merchant if he Should be found in his Bailiwick & him safe Keepe so that he have his body here before his Lopps justices of his Provinciall Court the five & twentith day of May then instant to answer unto Thomas Peighin marriner of a plea that he render unto him the full and just summe of One thousand pounds of lawfull mony of England weh to him he oweth & unjustly deteineth, Att which said five & twentith day of May the Same Sheriff maketh returne that the Said George ffulford is not found in his Bailiwick neverthelesse the Said George ffulford by Mathew Warde his Attorny cometh & defendeth the force & injury when &c and prayeth liberty of Speakeing hereunto untill the fifth day of June then next ensueing and it is granted him the same day is given to the said Thomas Peighin.

Afterwards to wit the seventh day of June then next ensueing Came the partyes aforesd by their Attornyes and the said Thomas Peighin by Robert Carvile his Attorny Saith That whereas by a cer-