session the estate of the said Barnes neither will he rendre y<sup>r</sup> Petitioner as Adm<sup>r</sup> any accompt thereof) did Order & comand the said James to appeare before his Lopp at s<sup>t</sup> Maries to answer the p<sup>r</sup>misses as by the Petition hereunto annexed appeares but the said Charles James appeared not although acquainted with his Lopps Order by y<sup>r</sup> Petitioner, who is ready upon his Oath to averre the same

Y<sup>r</sup> Petition<sup>r</sup> therefore doth humbly begg that the said Charles James may be compelled to Surrender up unto y<sup>r</sup> Petitioner the said Barnes's estate & the inventory thereof or otherwise the Said James may repay y<sup>r</sup> Petitioner what Charges he hath been at & expended upon the said Adm<sup>con</sup> and his reall debt due from the deceased

And he shall pray &c.

December the 7<sup>th</sup> 1676.

The Petitioner in Open Court did upon his Corporall Oath declare that the Said Charles James would not take notice of the Petition & Order aforesaid Whereupon it is Ordered by the Court here that warrant issue to the Sheriff of Cecil County that he cause the Said Charles James to come here next Provinciall Court to answer the premisses.

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Nehemiah Blackistone of st Maries County
otherwise called Nehemiah Blackistone of
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st Maries County in the Province of Maryland Gentleman was Summoned to answer
unto ffrancis Partis of Newcastle upon Tyne in the Kingdome of
England marriner of a plea that he render unto him Six thousand
nine hundred and twenty pounds of tobacco which to him he oweth
& unjustly deteineth.

And whereupon the aforesaid ffrancis Partis by John Jones his Attorny Sayes that whereas the aforesaid Nehemiah Blackistone On the fourth day of March 167 by his certaine writeing under his hand & seale here ready to be produced in Court did acknowledge himselfe to Owe & stand justly indebted unto the said ffrancis Partis the full and just quantity of Six thousand nine hundred & twenty pounds of good Sound merchantable tobacco in caske to be paid conveniently at or upon the tenth day of October then next ensueing & by the said writeing did bind himselfe his heirs executrs and admrs for the payment of the same as thereby will & may move at large appeare notwithstanding the aforesaid Nehemiah Blackistone although often demanded the aforesaid summe of six thousand nine hundred & twenty pounds of tobacco to the said ffrancis Partis he hath not as yet rendered but the same hath hitherto denyed to pay and as yet doth deny whereupon he Saith he is dampnified three thousand pounds of tobacco & thereupon he brings his action

And the Said Nehemiah Blackiston by Kenelm Cheseldyn his