

Liber N N in Charles County aforesaid Stood indebted unto him the said Mathew Nelson for divers goods and merchandize by the said Mathew to him the said John Sould & delivered a particular whereof is here in Court produced amounting together to the summe of eleaven thousand & ninty pounds of tobacco, in consideration whereof the said John did assume upon himselfe & to the said Mathew did faithfully promise that he the said John when thereunto required the said Summe of eleaven thousand & ninty pounds of tobacco to him the said Mathew would well & truly content & pay notwithstanding which the said John his promise & assumption in that behalfe litle regarding but endeavouring and fraudulently intending him the said Mathew of the said summe of eleaven thousand & ninty pounds of tobacco to deceive the same summe of eleaven thousand & ninty pounds of tobacco though often thereunto required hath not paid to him the said Mathew but the same to pay hath denyed & still doth altogether deny whereupon the said Mathew Nelson Saith he is dampnified & hath losse to the value of sixteene thousand pounds of tobacco & thereupon he brings his suite.

And the said John Allen by John Jones his Attorney cometh & defendeth the force and injury when &c and prayeth liberty to imparle hereunto untill the next Provinciaall Court the same day is given to both partyes. Now here at this day to wit the eighth day of October Anno Dom̄ One thousand six hundred seventy seven Came the said Mathew by his said Attorney and Offered himselfe against the said John Allen in the plea aforesaid but the said John Allen came not but made default & the said Mathew haveing produced his said accompt being Sworne too before the Hon^{ble} the Gov^rnour that there justly remaineth due to him upon the said accompt the summe of Eight thousand two hundred fifty Eight pounds of tobacco. Whereupon it is considered by the Court here That the said Mathew Nelson recover against the said John Allen the summe of Eight thousand two hundred fifty eight pounds of tobacco damages Occasioned by the trespas aforesaid as also the summe of seaven hundred and three pounds of tobacco costs of suite & the said John Allen in mercy &c.

Mathew Nelson ag ^t	}	John Cane and Edmund Denis late of Charles
John Cane and Edmond Denis	}	County planters were attached to answer unto Mathew Nelson of a plea of trespas upon the case. And whereupon the said Mathew Nelson by Christopher Rousby his Attorney complaineth that whereas the said John & Edmond the fifth day of November One thousand six hundred seventy six Stood indebted unto him the said Mathew for divers goods & merchandize by him the said Mathew to them the said John & Edmond, Sold & delivered at the Store of him the said Mathew in Charles County aforesaid in the whole