

ant as aforesaid to him the said Michael though often thereunto Liber W. C.  
required hath not delivered, but the said boy Servant as aforesaid  
afterwards (to witt) the twentyeth day of february in the yeare of  
our Lord 1679 to the Prop use and Comodity of him the said  
Clement in st Maryes County aforesaid then and there did dispose  
and Convert Whereupon the said Michael sayth he is the worse &  
hath Damage to the Vallue of Eight Thousand pounds of tobacco,  
And thereupon he bringeth his Suite.

And the said Clement Hill by Robert Carvile his Attorney cometh  
and Defendeth the force and Injury when &c. and Prayeth Liberty  
to Imparle hereunto untill next Provinciaall Court and It is granted  
unto him the same day is given to the Plantiffe Likewise

Now here at this day (to witt) the fourth day of March in the  
Seaventh yeare of the Dominion of the Right hono<sup>ble</sup> Charles Lord  
Baltemore &c<sup>a</sup> Annoq̄ Doni 1681 Came the said Partyes by their  
Attorneys aforesaid, and the said Clement Hill by his said Attorney  
Saith that he is in noe wise guilty of the premisses above by the  
said Michael imposed upon him and of this he puts himselfe  
on y<sup>e</sup> Country and the plantiffe Likewise Therefore it is Co-  
manded the sheriffe of s<sup>t</sup> Maryes County that he Cawse to come  
here Twelve &c By whome &c. & who Neither &c. to Recognize &c.  
Becawse aswell &c.

On w<sup>ch</sup> said fourth day of March in the yeare aforesaid Came  
the said ptyes by their Attorneys aforesaid and the Jurors Impan-  
nelled being Called likewise came (to wit) Edward ffishwick Wil-  
liam Twisdale Timothy Tracy, William Harper, John Martindale,  
W<sup>m</sup> Blankenstine. Thomas Price Thomas Williams, ffrancis Leafe,  
Dennis Sulivant Jn<sup>o</sup> Evans & Richard Hartrapp Who being  
Elected tryed, and Sworne to say the truth in the prmises Upon  
their Oathes, doe say, That the said Clement Hill is not guilty of  
the p<sup>r</sup>misses by the said Michael Imposed upon him, Therefore It  
is Considered by the Court here that the said Michael Miller take  
nothing by his writ aforesaid but be in mercy for his false Claime  
thereupon, and the said Clement Hill goe thereof without day.  
and that the said Clement Hill Recover against the said Michael  
Miller the sume of seaven hundred twenty and one pounds of  
Tobacco for his Costs and Charges by him about his defence in this  
behalf layd out and Expended and the said Clement Hill may have  
thereof Execution

Mareen Duvall }  
    ag<sup>t</sup> }      March y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1681  
Thomas Bowdle }  
                  }      Itt is Ordered by and w<sup>th</sup> the Consent of George  
                  }      Parker Attorney for the p<sup>n</sup> and John Rousby At-  
                  }      torney for the deft that the special plea formerly filed in this action  
                  }      be withdrawne, and the deft put in a plea of the general issue in-