To his Lopps Justices of the Provinciall Court
The humble peticon of John Hough:

Liber W. C.

Most humbly sheweth

Unto your Honors that your peticoner hath served his due accustomed time of servitude as may appeare by an Indenture bearing date the sixth day of May i679 unto Mr Marke Cordea, And the said Marke Cordea refuses to discharge him and alleadges that your peticoner was absent out of his Service the space of fifteen dayes wen your peticoner was constrained to by reason of his hard Servitude then under the command of James Lewis late of this Province Otherwise your peticoner was in danger of his life what for want of ffood and badd usage. Therefore your peticoner humbly prayes Your Honor will take it into consideration & grant him redress in this his very great extremity And yor Peticoner as in duty bound shall Ever pray:

July ye 2d 1683

The aforegoeing Marke Cordea after the reading of the above peticon being p^rsent in Court made Oath that the above named John Hough in the time of his Servitude, with him the said Marke rann away and absented himself from y^e service of y^e said Marke One & twenty dayes Whereupon itt is by the Court ordered that the said John Hough serve the said Marke for y^e said one and twenty dayes runing away Two hundred & Tenn dayes According to an Act of Assembly in that case made

Henry Mitchell of Calvert County being Sumoned to serve upon p. 764 the grand Jury and not appearing when Called is ffyned unto his Lordspp the Lord Prop^{ty} the sume of ffive hundred pounds of tobacco according to an act of Assembly in that Case made and provided:

Samuel Hatton of Talbott County appearing not upon the grand Jury when called though Sumoned by the sheriffe of the same County is fyned unto his Lopp the Lord Proprietary the sume of flive hundred pounds of tobacco according to an act of Assembly in that Case made and provided

June ye 26th 1683

Itt is Ordered by the Court that every the Attorneys of this Court that are to appeare for any defendant in any Cause in this Court depending or hereafter to be depending Enter their appeareance for such defendant with the Clerke of this Court before the sitting of the Court the Second day of every Court And that every Attorney of this Court that refuses to enter their appeareance as aforesaid shall for his default therein pay unto his Lopp the Lord Proprietarij for a fyne the sume of One thousand pounds of to-