

Laurence Barr^{tt} Secry; Col^o George Robotham; Col Charles Hutchins; Thomas Brook and James Frisby, Esq^r.

ANN ARUNDELL CO: COURT ss. Att a Court of the R^t Hon^{ble} Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon and held for the County of Annarundell att the house of M^r Rob^t Proctor att Annarundell Town on the Eleaventh day of August in the 10th year of his L^dShips Dominion Annoque Dni 16[9]5 by his L^dps Justices thereunto Authorized and Appointed on the af^d 11th day

Were present: The Hon^{ble} Col Thomas Tayler Council; Maj^r Thomas Francis; Maj^r Nicholas Gassaway; Cap^t Edward Burgess; Cap^t Edward Dorsey; M^r Henry Constable; M^r Rich^d Board; M^r Henry Ridgley, Just

Thomas Tench p^{lt} ag^t William Hopkins def^t

Command was Given unto the Sherriffe of Annarundell County to take William Hopkins late of Annarundell County planter So that he have his body before his L^dps Justices att a Court to be held att Ann arundell Town on the Second Tuesday in August Next which Said Witt was Dated the 13th day of July 1685 to Answer unto Thomas Tench in a plea of Trespass upon the Case.

[92] Att which Said day the def^t by Thomas Bland his Attorney Appeared and Imparled till Next Court which day to him is given and to the p^{lt} Likewise (to witt) the 8th day of Sep^t 1685 att wth Said Day the p^{lt} by George Parker his Attorney humbly Moved the Court here that the Said Cause might be Continued untill the Second Tuesday in November next following because he had not time to put in his replication the def^{ts} plea being but then filed Which Said day to him was given and to the def^t Likewise.

On which Said Day the p^{lt} declares as followeth Viz^t

William Hopkins late of Ann arundell County planter was attached to Answer unto Thomas Tench in a plea of Trespass upon the Case.

And whereupon the Said Thomas Tench by George Parker his Attorney Complaineth that whereas the Said William Hopkins the one and Twentieth day of October 1684 in Consideration that the Said Thomas Tench being a Merch^t would Bargain Sell and Deliver to him the Said William Hopkins Diverse Goods Wares and Merchandizes att Sundry Rates and prizes in Tobbacco and also would give Credit to Severall persons for Severall Sums of Tobba^a a particular of all which is here in Court produced Amounting to the Summe of five Thousand Six hundred and Twenty pounds of Tobbacco the Said William Hopkins did Assume upon himselfe and to the Said Thomas did faithfully promise that he the Said William When thereunto required the Said Summe of five Thousand Six hundred and Twenty pounds of Tobbacco would well and truly Content and pay and the Said Thomas Tench in fact Saith that trusting to the faithfull Promise and As-