

The same Day Rem^d as afore

James Curill pl^t
vs
John Hilliard def^t
in an action of Defamⁿ
upon o^r Cas^e

James Curill pl^t appeared by def^t John Hilliard being called
3 times & did not appear by pl^t & it is his declaration may
be read saying that he def^t hath absconded himself from
Justice he writt being returned by the Sheriffe next to the

The Complaint of James Curill against John Hilliard in
An Action of Defamation on the Cas^e

Humbly sheweth

That some time in the month of Jan^y 1671 the said Curill being
at the house of William Stewart of the said Curill meeting
with the above said Hilliard demanding of him the payment
of one thousand pounds of tobacco due to the said Curill by
an obligation under the hand and seal of one George Dault
deceased by the said Hilliard promising to pay the same
in the life time of the above said George Dault as I shall
here make appear in open Court the said Hilliard did
then and there in presence of severall persons of quality
say the above said Curill that he the said Curill had
forged a bill of one thousand pounds of tobacco in the name
of the above express George Dault, as he hath a^lso wher
tobacco is justly due to the said Curill and the consideration
delivered to the above said George Dault and the said Hilliard
hath made sale of the same since the death of the said
George Dault unto John Hilliard of the same County
which standeth and beareth some expressions of the above
said Hilliard that him being to the contrary of the said
Curill, his profession consisting more in merchandise
that thereby some report may be by utterance of his
Credit