Robert Catlin: plt ag.t Cornelius Verhoose Def.t } Thomas Poole ap.t plt.

Whereas there was attached by ye Sheriffe in ye hands of Alexander Draper nine hundred forty five pounds of tobacco of Cornelius Verhoose to answ.r unto Rob.t: Catlin Sen.r in a plea of Debt Vaster ye returne made It was ordered ye the same should bee delivered to ye said Robert Catlin which was not performed the said Alexander appearing this day before ye Co.rt: and saith that there is not more due to ye said Cornelius Verhoose in his hands than three hundred pounds of tobacco this Co.rt orders ye execution bee laid upon ye said three hundred pounds of tobacco in ye hands of Alexander Draper belonging to Cornelius Verhoose & the same delivered to Robert Catlin Sen.r or his order: /:

Somersett: Countiss:

At a Court ye Co.rt: held ye 12.th: day of June in ye second yeare of ye dominion of ye R.t: Hon.r:ble: Charles over Maryland &c. Annoq; Domini 1677: before the Lopp.rs Justices thereunto assigned & authorized: /:

M.r: William: Stevens:

present { Coll.l: William: Coleborne: M.r: George Johnson: M.r: James: Jones: : M.r: James: Dashiell } Commis.rs

The R.t: Hon.r:ble ye Lord Prop.r ag.t Ambrose Dixon } Capt.n: Thomas Walker Sheriffe of this County brings before ye Co.rt: Ambrose Dixon of this County and this following writeing from ye Hon.r:ble Governo.r was read: /:

Whereas Complaint hath this day been made to mee ye Ambrose Dixon of ye County of Somersett planter did in or neare about ye moneth of February last past att ye tobacco house of him ye said Dixon upon his plantation after ye marke & dispose of five hhds of tobacco which was by William: Stevens Under Sheriffe to Capt.n Thomas Walker of ye s.d County marked with ye broad arrowe & intended to bee weighed & receiued of him ye said Dixon towards defraying of his publick Dues & his Lopp.rs rents And that when ye said William Stevens did accordingly goe about to weigh ye same & to take an exact attempt thereof both for his owne satisfaction & for ye satisfaction of him ye said Dixon that then ye said Dixon (in Contempt of ye power and authority to him ye said Stevens given & in contempt of ye Lawes of ye R.t: Hon.r:ble ye Lord prop.r of this province did openly & violently by force & armes & divers threatning & abusive speeches withstand and oppose ye said Vnderskeriffe & would not suffer him to execute his office but disposed of ye said tobacco as aforesaid If therefore the said Dixon shall not att ye next County Co.rt: to bee held in ye s.d County repaire to ye said Co.rt: & therefore before ye Commis.rs of ye same openly & in publick view of ye whole Co.rt: prostrate himselfe upon his knees & acknowledge his great errour to his s.d Lopp.ps ye Lord Prop.r & him humbly desire his s.d Lopp.ps & in humble manner crave pardon & forgiveness for ye same promising amendement for ye same for ye future then you are hereby strictly willed & required to have ye body of him ye s.d Dixon at ye next Prov.ll Co.rt: to bee held all St: Maries on ye thirteenth day of June next then & there before his Lopp.rs Justices of ye said Co.rt: to answ.r such his contempt & suffer such condigne punishment for ye same as his said Lopp.ps Justices shall think fitt to inflict upon him :- This warrant you are to cause to bee recorded in yo.r County Co.rt: and in case you are found to bring ye body of ye s.d Dixon to ye next Prov.ll Co.rt: as aforesaid according to ye tenour of this warrant that then ye make returne hereof all ye s.d Co.rt: Given under my hand & Seale ye one & twentieth day of May in ye second yeare of his said Lopp.rs Dominion &c Annoq; Domini 1677: Tho: Notley: Seale: /:

To Capt.n: Thomas Walker high Sheriffe of Somersett County these. /: