

The Condition of this Obligation is such that if the within bound Joseph Boyce shall dwell to  
of the good behav<sup>r</sup>. Deb-avaud towards all his Lordps good people and more especially  
In Somerset County and shall dwell make his personall app-areance every Court here holden  
and during pleasure as also pay all officers fees that then the about Obligation to be  
Void otherwise to remaine and be in full force &c.

The Petition of Joseph Boyce shewing how that Major Ambrose Gordon has made  
Information to this Court that your petitioner hath misde-moand himselfe by many  
Scandalous and reproachfull speeches particularly ag<sup>t</sup> the Worsp<sup>e</sup> Justices of this Court your petition  
humbly prays that the said information may be proved by some person of Credit the Major having  
already offered a reward to swear falsly in this very Cause ag<sup>t</sup> your pet<sup>r</sup> as he can app-areance  
and the petition will pray &c.

This Court having taken the premises into Consideration & whereby to have further inspection  
into the matter gave no result to the petition as prayed &c.

The Lord prop<sup>y</sup> } Judicium  
ag<sup>t</sup> } Maryland & Summ<sup>r</sup> County ss  
Robert Cattlin }

The Jurors for the R<sup>h</sup> hon<sup>r</sup> the Lord prop<sup>y</sup> being Sworn upon the holy Evangelist  
At a grand Jury hold for the body of this County the second Tuesday in November last  
past doo prosecute and finde that Robert Cattlin of this County planter hath in the month of  
September Among Douy 1687 upon the Sabbath Day did unlawfully and contrary to the  
as is specified in an Act of Assembly ag<sup>t</sup> dealing Cruelty or receiving any  
goods of any Slave or Servant or hiding or conveying to any person within this Province without  
his or their Masters knowledge and Consent the said Cattlin as is said did unlawfully the  
Mallatto Servant of Thomas Everdon upon the Sabbath Day of him in the house of the  
said Cattlin did receive one bottle of brandy purloined and stoln from him the said Everdon  
his master the said Cattlin neither prohibiting the said Serv<sup>t</sup> (commonly known or called by the  
name of black will) from frequenting his house or examining how he came by the  
said brandy or acquainting the said Everdon whereby the said Cattlin did tacitly approve  
Conceal & encourage the said Mallatto to steal and purloin from his said Master w<sup>ch</sup> is against  
Equity and damage not only by giving evil example to others but ag<sup>t</sup> the Sa<sup>nt</sup>s Institutions  
of this Province his Lordps Attorney Generall may be entered ag<sup>t</sup> the Offendo<sup>r</sup> according to  
Law in that (as proved by the bottle of brandy) valued at fifteen pounds of Tobacco  
Cause Robert Cattlin in his proper person and for plea pleade not guilty and for every  
justice himselfe upon the Jury &c.

Upon which Command was given to the Sheriff of this County to cause to come here two or three good  
Lawfull men of his Baywick by whom the truth of the matter might be the better known  
and who neither w<sup>ch</sup> to recognize w<sup>ch</sup> to cause as well w<sup>ch</sup>.

Now heard at this day (to witt) the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June in the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the Dominion of  
The R<sup>h</sup> hon<sup>r</sup> Charles 2<sup>d</sup> Among Douy 1689 Cause the afores<sup>d</sup> Robert Cattlin to the Grand  
The Jurors of that Jury likewise were John King Rowland Bevens Robert Smith John  
Townsend John Emmett John Bowen William Clarkson George Phabus George  
Bojman Waller Caylor John David Samuel Handy who being elected Cried &c.