within the Jurisdiction of this Court Stood Indebted unto the Said Hugh in the Sume of twelve hundred pounds of good Sound Marchantable Leafe tobaccoe in Caske to Containe the Same As by a noate Subscribed with the proper hand writeing of the Said William and here in Court produced Relation being thereunto had may more at Large Appeare And the Said William to the Said Hugh in manner aforesaid being indebted Inconsideration thereof did Assume upon himselfe and to the Said Hugh then and there Faithfully promise [that he the] [303] Said William the Said Sume of 1200 lbs. of tobaccoe Conditioned as aforesaid unto the Said Hugh when he Should be thereunto Requested would well and truly Content and pay Nevertheless the Said William his promise and Assumpson Soe as aforesaid made not at all Regarding but minding and Fraudulently Intending the Said Hugh in this behalfe Craftily and Subtilly to deceive and defraud the Said Sume of 1200 lbs. of tobaccoe or any part thereof to the Said Hugh hath not paid Although the Said William to pay the Same to the Said Hugh Afterwards the 10th day of December 1697 att Charles Towne aforesaid was often thereunto Requested but the Same to pay to the Said Hugh hath denyed and Still doth denye to the Damage of the Said Hugh of 2000 lbs. of tobaccoe and thereof he brings this Suite etc.

Pledges etc. John Doe, Richard Roe. William Stone.

The Said plantiffe by his Attorney aforesaid haveing Issued out a writt against the Defendant which Said writt was by the Sheriffe Returned that the Said Defendant is not to be found in his balywick and alsoe have Caused a Coppy of the Cause of Action to be Left at the house where the defendant Last Lived in this County. And upon which it is on part of the Said Hugh Furguson testified here in Court that the Said William Arther hath Eloyned himselfe out of the Jurisdiction of this Court Whereupon the Said Hugh Furguson by William Stone his Attorney prayeth an Attachment against the goods Chattles and Creditts of the Said William Arther as well for the Said Sume of twelve hundred pounds of tobaccoe his debt for Damages aforesaid as alsoe for the Sume of four hundred Seaventy nine pounds of tobaccoe for his Costs and Charges in this behalfe Laid out and Expended etc. And by the Court here it is granted unto him etc.

William Dent plantiffe: Thomas Padgett Defendant

Prince Georges County Ss. Thomas Padgett Late of Prince Georges County planter was Attached to Answer unto William Dent of a plea of trespass upon the Case etc.

And Whereupon the Said William by John Meriton his Attorney Complaineth that Whereas the Said Thomas the 16th day of March in the yeare of our Lord 1695 [1696] at Charles Towne within the Jurisdiction of this Court was Indebted unto the Said William in the Sume of four hundred pounds of tobaccoe being as well for his the Said Thomas noate to pay the Said William for Henry Pagett as alsoe for two Attorneys Fees for the Said Thomas in Calvert County at the Suite of Samuell Wattkins and Robert Hawkins as by a pertickeler Account thereof here in Court produced Relation being thereunto had may more att Large Appeare And the Said Thomas to the Said William in manner aforesaid being indebted the Said Thomas Inconsideration thereof did Assume upon himselfe and to the Said William then and there Faithfully promise that he the Said Thomas the Said Sume of 400 lbs. of tobaccoe to the Said William when he Should be thereunto Requested would well and truly Content and pay Nevertheless the Said Thomas his promise and Assumption Soe as aforesaid made not