Twenty and two pounds of tobo The residue of ye Debt wch as ye Sum of two hundred fifty & three pounds of tobo Cost by ye Suit and the Defdt in mercy &c

John Cursey } Kent County ss in Maryland
Mathew Collier } Mathew Collier of ye County aforesaid was summoned to answer unto John Cursey of Talbott County Gent of a plea yt he should Deliver unto him one Gun or howling piece of ye value of one pound & five shills & one brand iron for ye branding of horses of ye value of seven shills 8 & one Lock for a Door of ye value of four shills & six pence which from him he unjustly detaines

And whereupon ye sd John by Michael Earle his attorney Complaines & saith yt whereas on ye 14th Day of Octr anno Dni 1702 in ye County aforesaid in ye Jurisdiction of this Court for a certaine sum of tobacco between ye sd Mathew & ye sd John and then & there secured to be paid by ye sd John unto ye sd Mathew Delivered unto ye said Mathew ye aforesd Gun brand iron & Lock ye value in ye whole amounting to ye sum of one pound sixteen shills & six pence to have com: pensation amended in ye aforesd Chattells by him ye sd Mathew being a Smith as aforesd and to have ye same Chattells redelivered unto him ye sd John in some reasonable time afterward when thereunto required yett Nevertheless ye sd Mathew the aforesd Gun brand iron & Lock unto ye sd John although often requested he hath not nor either of ye sd Chattells redelivered but ye same to redeliver he hath denyed and refuseth and still doth Denye & refuse and unjustly detaines to ye Damage of ye sd John 3: 13: 6 and therefore he brings this Suit Earle ye 1st Pledges &c Joe Doe Richard Roe

And the sd Deft by Benj Beck his attorney Comes & Defends ye force & Injury when &c and prayed Leave to Imparle untill next Court wch was Granted him ye same Day was Given ye sd Pltf also att ye sd next Court to wait this 22 Day of aug anno Dni 1704 Comes ye sd Pltf by his attorney aforesd as also the sd Deft by his attorney & pleads ye force & Injury &c and for plea saieth

Mathew Collier } And ye sd Mathew Collier by Benj Benj Beck his attorney
Ds } comes and Defends ye force and Injury when &c and for plea
John Cursey } saith yt he Detaineth not from ye aforesd John ye Gun or howling piece brand iron or Lock nor any Chattell therein wherein wherein ye sd John above complaineth against Doth Deny and of this he puts himself upon ye Country Day

Whereupon Comodus Given to ye Sheriff of Kent County yt he immediately Cause to come here twelve Men by whome &c who neither &c to recognize the Cause as well &c and ye sd Sheriff saith yt he hath here ready twelve &c as by ye sd precept he was commanded to wit William Swoffman Daniel Wild William Austin Edward Carrol Renatus Smith John Swoffman Thomas Bruff George Smith William Sigley John moor Thomas Booth Mathew Collier who being Elected Tryed & sworn to say ye truth in ye premises Doe say upon their oathes we of ye Jury find for ye Jury in Damages fifty pounds of tobo & Cost of Suit

Which being by ye Court yt is by them considered here this 22d Day of August anno Dni 1704 yt ye sd Mathew Collier recover att ye sd Mr Cursey as well ye Sum of fifty pounds of tobo of Damages aforesd by ye Jury as ye Sum of two hundred ninety and six pounds of tobo for his Cost & Charges laid out and Expended according to ye Form of ye Statute