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At a Court of Chancery holden at Annapolis August
29th Anno Domini 1698 & ye tenth year of ye Reigne
of William 3rd King of England &c

Present the Hon^{ble} { Coll^{le} Houel Jowles Keeper & }
Samuell Youngs Gentl Justice }

Causos

cc Abraham Le Master } Bill & Answer
John Gout }
Ordered y^e ye Sheriff of Charles County
shall not take y^e 12 & 6 required from
y^e Gout for y^e Contempt alleged in
y^e attachment a^y y^e Gout.
And y^e Commission issued to Ben Hall &
Robt Yates of s^o County shall to exam
and for both p^{ty}s in this Cause.

P Thomas Johnson } Bill & Gout's Petition filed
James Woods }
Ordered for hearing y^e next next Court
And y^e Commission issued to Sam Cooks
of St. Marys County shall to take y^e Gout
Gout's Oath to his Answer to his Compt
Bill in St. Marys County

The Court rises And sits again August 30th 1698
Present as yesterday

Causos James Hood } Bill Answer & Repl
Sam^l Houldsworth & }
wife Exec^{rs} of Tho }
Parflow }
It being y^e Opinion of this Court
y^e y^e Compt had not in his hand any
of y^e Goods of Charles Partij Decd there-
for y^e Court relieving y^e J^r (Hood) Compt
a^y y^e Judgment at Common Law with his
reasonable Cost of in his bill y^e desired.

These are y^e very words of y^e minute taken in Court
The Decree at Large follows in these words viz^t

Wher^{ts} James Hood of St. Marys County Gentl
did in y^e year 1695 exhibit his bill of Complaint in y^e high Court
of Chancery thereby praying to be relieved a^y a certain Judgement at
Law obtained in y^e provincial Court a^y him y^e J^r James by Samuell
Houldsworth & Holton his Wife Exec^{rs} of y^e last will & Testament of
Thomas Parflow decd. Inasmuch as there was about four thousand
pounds of tobacco attached in y^e hands of y^e J^r James by y^e Sheriff
of y^e aforesaid County & y^e y^e same was condemned in y^e provincial
Court