

June Court 1715

Carpenter ali Dic Sutton Middleton of Cecil County Carpenter of the Shores.  
 he found in his Bailiwick & him safe keep so that he have his body before the  
 said Justices of the next County Court to be held at our Court house in the  
 Town of Chester in the County of Chester unto Richard Bennett of a plea that  
 he render him of full & just Summe of Seventeen Thousand Six hundred  
 Seventy four pounds of good Sound Merchantable bright Tobacco picked & culled  
 clear from all dull & Spotted mouldered trashy & ground leaves in well Seasoned  
 Cask to Containe of Same of value of Seventy three pounds twelve  
 Shillings & ten pence Sterling money which he unjustly detains & And  
 that he have them and there this writ &c.

Att which said next viz. the Seventh day of June the same year  
 last mentioned the day of return of said writ came William Frisby Gent.  
 High Sheriff of said County and made return thereof in those words -  
 thereon endorsed as follow. Capi Corpus p W<sup>m</sup> Frisby Sheriff.

and a Deed being filed when said writ issued forth and a Copy thereof  
 served therewith according to Act of Assembly in such case made was as  
 followeth viz. Kent County p Loucknor Middleton of Kent County Carpenter  
 ali Dic Sutton Middleton of Cecil County Carpenter was summoned to  
 answer Richard Bennett of a plea that he render him of full & just Summe  
 of Seventeen Thousand Six hundred Seventy four pounds of good Sound  
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 mouldered trashy & ground leaves in well Seasoned Cask to Containe of  
 Same of value of Seventy three pounds twelve Shillings & ten pence  
 Sterling money which he unjustly detains &c. And whereupon  
 of said plea by Thomas Bowne his Attorney saith that whereas y<sup>e</sup> said  
 Deft of Seventeenth day of April Anno Domini Seventeen hundred  
 and four at y<sup>e</sup> parish of St. Paul in Kent County a<sup>d</sup> within y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdiction  
 of this Court by his certain Bill obligatory which of same Deft Sealed  
 with his Seal and as his deed delivered into Court brought y<sup>e</sup>  
 date wherof is of same day & year a<sup>d</sup> did bind & oblige himselfe his  
 heirs Executors & Administrators in y<sup>e</sup> a<sup>d</sup> penal Sum of Seventeen  
 Thousand Six hundred Seventy & four pounds of good Sound  
 Merchantable