

In the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and forty One at Somerset County was Indebted unto the same John Henry in the sum of Six hundred forty and Eight pounds of tobacco for sundry articles properly chargeable in account as by an account thereof hereinto Court brought may appear and so thereof Indebted being the said John M<sup>o</sup>: Cester in Consideration thereof afterwards (to witt) the same day and year A<sup>o</sup>: at the County A<sup>o</sup>: upon himself did assume and to the same John Henry then and there did faithfully promise that he the said John M<sup>o</sup>: Cester the same Six hundred and forty eight pounds of tobacco unto the A<sup>o</sup>: John Henry when thereof Requested would well and faithfully pay and content Nevertheless the A<sup>o</sup>: John M<sup>o</sup>: Cester his promise and assumption A<sup>o</sup>: inform A<sup>o</sup>: made little regarding but minding and fraudulently Intending the same John Henry in that part craftily and Suttly to deceive and defraud the A<sup>o</sup>: Six hundred forty and Eight pounds of tobacco or any pound thereof unto the same John Henry Altho' the same to be the A<sup>o</sup>: John M<sup>o</sup>: Cester afterwards to witt the same day and year A<sup>o</sup>: And often since that time at Somerset County A<sup>o</sup>: by the same John Henry hath not paid but the same to him to pay or content he thereto hath refused and still doth refuse to the damage of the same John Henry Ten pounds Curr<sup>t</sup>: money of maryland and thereof he brings suit &c.

Witness J<sup>o</sup>: Doo & B<sup>o</sup>: Gos -

1739	M <sup>o</sup> : John M <sup>o</sup> : Cester . . . . . D <sup>o</sup> : J <sup>o</sup> : Doo	
	To 15 Levies 240 <sup>l</sup> 5 <sup>s</sup> . . . . . 315 0 6	By money over p <sup>d</sup> : last year £ 10 10
	To 19 p <sup>d</sup> : default . . . . . 0 13 9	By money Rec <sup>d</sup> : of your own . . . 3 7 6
		By money Rec <sup>d</sup> : . . . . . 0 10 0
		Ball <sup>d</sup> : due . . . . . 5 11 6
		<u>3 18 9 6 0 0</u>
	<u>£ 3 18 9 6 0 0</u>	

1740	To Ball <sup>d</sup> : Last year . . . . . £ 11 0 3	By . . . . .
	To Interest on said Ball <sup>d</sup> . . . . . 48	
	<u>£ 11 0 3 48</u>	£: Excepted p <sup>d</sup> : John Henry

A Copy of the foregoing declaration was made and sent to be served on the def<sup>t</sup>: with the writ in order for a speedy Tryall. . . . . At which day here came the A<sup>o</sup>: John Henry by his attorney A<sup>o</sup>: and the sheriffe to witt John Standy Gent: now here returned that