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Wm Benatles this day in Open Court assumed to remove the Bannisters from said Court house to another Court house if required, and to sett them up in the New Court house, & if not proportionable he will make them according to directions upon his own Cost & Charges as also do some other necessaries

Henry Lynch Mer.cat Pt. Contra Walter Lane Dft.

Somerset County ss. Walter Lane Admr of all & singular the goods Chattels & Credits of Joseaward Lane of this County decd was summoned to answer unto Henry Lynch of the aforesd County Merchant of a plea that he render unto him the just & full sum of eight thousand nine hundred fourty two pounds of good sound Mortable tobacco in Casks which from him he detemeth &ca.

And whereupon the said Henry by Peter Dent his Attorney saith that ye said Josias in his life time (viz) the 5th day of June in the year of Lord 1686 at Potomoke at Potomoke with in the Jurisdiction of this Court by his Certaine Bond or writing Obligatory which the said Henry with the seal of the said Josias in his life time signed bringeth here into Court, the date whereof is the day & year aforesd acknowledged him self to be bound to the sd Henry in ye sd full & just sum of 8942 pounds of tobacco and Casks to be paid to the said Henry Contrement in Potomoke River according to Act of Assembly, to the which payment well & truly to be made the said Josias bound him self firmly by the said Writing. Nevertheless the said Josias in his life time, nor the said Walter, to whome Admn of all & singular the goods Chattels & Credits of ye said Josias, since the death of the said Josias was Committed nor either of them the said sum to the said Henry hath not paid, although the sd Josias in his life time & ye said Walter since the death of the sd Josias have been thereunto requested to the damage of the said Henry of 18000 pounds of tobacco & thereof he brings his Suite &ca

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And the said Walter Adm aforesd, Comes & defends the force & injury wn &ca and prayes the hearing of the said Bond or writing Obligatory he prayeth ye hearing of the Condition of the same, & it is read to him in these words