soe as afsd att him brought for part of ye Debt afsd That he sayth yt he hath paid and satisfiied unto ye afsd pltff ye Sum of nine hundred and Eighty pounds of tobo part of ye Deft afsd and as for ye residue being two thousand three hundred ninty & five pounds of tobo, ye sd Deft saith yt he is willing yt ye Jnt. &c and the sd pltff here in Court sayth yt he hath rd ye afsd sd of tobo as part of ye Debt afsd and this he is willing to Distract &c

Therefore It is Considered here by ye Justices this 28th Day of aug anno Dni 1702 yt ye sd pltff recover of ye sd Deft as well ye Sum of two thousand three hundred ninty & five ye balance of ye debt afsd as ye Sum of pounds of tobacco Cost of Suite

and the Deft in mercy &c — — — — — — — —

Michael Earle
vs
William Decker

her majestyes writt of Ca. sa. Issued against ye sd Deft at ye Suite of ye sd pltff in these words following viz.

Anne &c Coy Sher of Kent County Greeting we Command yu take William Decker ye Defdt if found in yr Bailiewicke & him safe keep so yt yu have his Body before ye justices of our next Court to be held for our sd County ye 4th Tuesday in March next to answer unto Michael Earle ally in sd Court of a plea of the sd Claim ye sum of Just Sum of five hundred & fourty pounds of tobacco &c in Cask wch to him he oweth & from him unjustly Detaines here fail not at yr Peill & have ye then & there this writt Witness Kiny King Gent Chief Justice of our sd Court ye 27th Day of July in ye first year of our Reigne annoq Dni 1702. Fine

And when ye Day of ye ret of ye writt afsd came John Hawkins high Sher made ret thereof Endorsed Cepi Corpus Dno John Hawkins Sher but ye sd Deft being in ye Shers Custody this action was Continued from Court to Court untill this ye Sent, in which time the sd Deft made his Escape from ye Sher afsd and out of his Custody, Whereupon ye sd pltff comes here att this Court being ye 28th Day of aug anno Dni 1702 and prays yt ye afsd Sher may produce ye Bod of Committed &c or answer &c Whereupon ye sd John Hawkins comes into Court in his proper Pson & Confesseth Judgt for ye Debt afsd &c

Therefore It is Considered here by ye Justices this 28th Day of aug afsd that ye sd pltff recover against ye sd John Hawkins as well ye Sum of five hundred & forty pounds of tobo ye Debt afsd as ye Sum of pounds of tobo Costs of Suite