Public of Judgment, provided It appeares by the Record that the parties Record defendant were Legally summoned & not condemned unheard.

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And Be It Further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that Ser-C. O. 5, vants Imported into this province or any servants that binde them-Maryland selves for Yeares within this Province or any bound out by the From 1694-1702. County Courts of this Province. That if any matter of dispute arises Acts Either in Relation to their Indentures or Contracts or any other Matter of Difference between the said Masters & Servants The same shall be Tryed, heard & determined by petition as aforesaid, any Law, Statute or Usage, to the Contrary Notwithstanding. This Act to Endure for three Yeares or to the end of the next Sessions of Assembly.

Oct. 1698, ch. 17 Other Acts of this Session are

Acts of An Act for the more speedy Conveying the Publick Letters and Pacquetts of this Province and Settling a Revenue on the Sherriffs for the defraying the Charge thereof.

Forasmuch as Severall of the inhabitants of this Province haveing printed in been formerly subject to great and manifest inconveniencys by of the reason of pressing horses under pretext of carrying and conveying Archives] of publick Letters and pacquetts for prevention whereof And that due care may be taken for the future that all Publick Letters and Pacquetts relateing to his Maty or publick service of this Province be Securely and Expeditiously Conveyed according to theire Directions The Delegates of this generall Assembly do pray that it may be Enacted And be it Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Maty by and with the advice and Consent of this present generall Assembly and the Authority of the same That the Sherriffe of each respective County is hereby Enjoyned and Commanded to take Care of all Publick Letters and Pacquetts and Expeditiously to Convey them according to theire directions to the next Sherriffe or undersherriffe of the adjacent County And for the Encouragement of the severall & respective Sherriffes and theire diligence in Conveying such Letters and pacquetts That they be allowed the severall Sums hereafter Expressed to be layd in the publicque leavy of this Province (Vizt) To the Sherriffe of Anne Arundell County fifteen hundred pounds of Tobacco who is also hereby obligged to Convey all such Letters and pacquetts as are directed and must go over to the Easterne Shoar to Kent Island and there to be delivered to the Sherriffe of Talbott County or his Deputy, to the Sherriffe of Talbott County fifteen hundred pounds of Tobacco who is hereby also oblieged to Convey all such Letters and Pacquetts that are directed to the Porte of Annapolis. To the Sherriffe of Kent County 8 hundred pounds of Tobacco who is also oblieged to Convey all such Letters & Pacquetts that are directed to the Porte of Annapolis to Kent Island and deliver them to the Sheriffe or under Sheriffe of Talbott County (Except he can convey them more ready and Expeditious way to Annapolis) who is also hereby obligged to Convey all such Letters and Pacquetts to the