

REPORTS
OF
CASES
ARGUED AND DETERMINED
IN THE
COURT OF APPEALS
OF
VIRGINIA.

BY
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V O L. II.

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TO THE PUBLIC.

THE case of *Maze* and *Hamilton*, with one other, I had intended to publish in an appendix to this volume. But the manuscript having been unfortunately deposited in a house which was lately consumed by fire. I have great reason to apprehend that it was either burnt, or by some other means destroyed.

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- 11 41 *For hinder read hinders.*
- 54 26 *Insert by before the words the owner.*
- 66 4 *Strike out the comma after mother and put a period.*
- 12 *Strike out the semicolon after it and put a comma.*
- 68 5 *For empowed read empowered.*
- 69 36 *For 1 read 3.*
- 70 17 *For appellant read appellee.*
- 71 2 & 3 *For appellant read appellee.*
- 87 8 *After testimony insert of.*
- 98 17 *After regarded insert it.*
- 99 31 *After rule, strike out the mark of interrogation. and put a period.*
- 106 12 *For lands read land.*
- 122 44 *For forfeiled read forfeited.*
- 139 7 & 14 *For security read surety.*
- 140 4 *For principal read plinciple.*
- 163 32 *Before superior read the.*
- 182 21 *For laws read law.*
- 206 4 *After it insert to.*
- 21 *For principal read principle.*
- 209 14 *For determination read termination.*
- 212 11 *After but insert where.*
- 224 37 *After idea put a semicolon.*
- 225 40 *After that insert of.*
- 227 3 *Strike out not.*
- 34 *After endorser, strike out a period and put a comma, after 443 strike out the comma and put a period.*
- 242 14 *Strike out the semicolon after fault.*
- 243 24 *After not insert an.*
- 244 41 *Strike out the semicolon after declarations.*
- 249 2 *For is read as.*
- 255 10 *For prices read price.*
- 12 *After Johnson, strike out the semicolon and put a comma.*
- 261 19 *Strike out the comma after the word Stockdell, and put a period.*
- 263 37 *For law read all.*
- 266 25 *For points read point.*
- 270 27 *Strike out the comma & put a period after the word plea.*
- 278 9 *For 2 read 1.*
- 288 40 *For survices read services.*
- 289 1 *For stronger read strong.*
- 14 *For centinental read continental.* 39 *For*

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- 289 39 *For collusion read collision.*
- 292 22 *For deciffion read decision.*
- 30 *Strike out of after the word General.*
- 31 *For Hooker read Hocker.*
- 293 19 *After the word intended insert)*
- 21 *For legal read regal.*
- 295 23 *After Carolina, put a comma instead of a semicolon,
and strike out the semicolon after the word loci.*
- 38 *For desribed read described.*
- 296 8 *Strike out the comma after bills.*
- 35 *For there read these.*
- 300 11 *For legal read regal.*
- 301 26 *After damages, put a period.*
- 302 8 *For is due read issue.*
- 22 *After verdict insert ought.*

then since the latter will prevail, the former must of necessity be considered as being altered. If however there be different subjects for the two laws to operate upon, there is no inconsistency, and consequently no necessity for presuming a repeal. Now apply these principles to the present case. Continental and state bills, were the subject of the first law; that law may still subsist in all its force as to the former, without in the least conflicting with the act of March 1777, which is confined to state bills. The same observations apply to the act of March 1778; it applies to *state bills* altogether, and was intended to destroy the preference, which the legal money had obtained over that emitted by the state. In the same manner is the act of May 1778 to be interpreted, which speaks expressly of continental bills. There were emissions prior, and others subsequent to January 1777. The former were provided for by that act; the latter were not. This law then may with propriety, and with great reason be applied to the subsequent emissions, by which the necessity of an implied repeal of the first law is avoided.

But it is contended, that if the act of January 1777, was in force in March 1780, the tender was not made conformably with the requisites of that law: that it ought to have been made to all the obligees. As a payment to one is a payment to all, it as certainly follows, that a tender to one is a tender to all, So a release by one, binds the whole. There were four days of grace allowed, in which time the obligee, to whom the tender was made, might have consulted with the others.

Upon the whole, I concur with the rest of the court, that the debt in question was discharged by the tender and refusal, and therefore,

The judgment must be affirmed,

Y O U N G,

against

S K I P W I T H.

THIS was an appeal from a decree of the High Court of Chancery, wherein the appellee was plaintiff. The suit was brought for a specific execution of an agreement, whereby

whereby the defendant was to purchase a tract of land on the joint account of himself and the plaintiff; the prayer of the bill was for a partition of the land according to certain boundaries agreed upon by the parties, and for a conveyance. The court of chancery decreed in favor of the plaintiff, and directed the surveyor of the county to run a line of division, and to report the quantity of land on each side thereof.

After a very lengthy argument in this court upon the merits of the case, the court dismissed the appeal, as being prematurely prayed before the final decree and remanded the cause to the court of chancery.

B O O T H'S Executors,

against

A R M S T R O N G.

THIS was an appeal from a judgment of the District Court of *Winchester*. It was an action of debt, brought by the appellee, upon a bond given by the testator. Plea, setting forth sundry judgments obtained against the defendant, and "that he hath fully administered, all the goods of the testator which had come to his hands to be administered, and that he hath not, nor had &c. any goods &c. except the value of £ 133: 3: 3, which are not sufficient to satisfy the said judgments" &c. Replication, "that the defendant hath, and on the day of commencing this suit had divers goods &c. more than sufficient to satisfy the said judgments in the said plea mentioned, whereof he could have satisfied the plaintiff for his debt aforesaid."

The verdict was in the following words viz: we of the jury find for the plaintiff, the debt in the declaration mentioned, and one penny damages" judgment *de bonis testatoris* &c. &c. *si non* the costs *de bonis propriis*.

WICKHAM for the appellant. It is clear law, that upon a special or general *plene administravit*, it is necessary, that the jury, if they find for the plaintiff, should ascertain the amount of the assets: This verdict finds only that the truth of the issue is with the plaintiff, but it does not ascertain the value of the assets unadministered,

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