

Ougier's  
Action.

An Action was brought against him in the Court of Common Pleas. An Affidavit was made of the Debt, and Mr. Ougier's Goods were attached in the regular Way (see the Papers relating to this in the Appendix to the Second Report); it turned out upon a Trial (but not till after the Jury had taken an Hour to consider the Matter) that the Defendant did not owe the Money. Mr. Ougier has made heavy Complaint of this Proceeding, as if he had suffered unheard of Injustice, because his Goods were attached where it was proved afterwards no Debt was due. The Absurdity of such Complaint is so plain to every One who hears it, that there is no need to say a Syllable to refute it.

Though Mr. Ougier has been pleased to represent himself to be a Person of too much Credit at Newfoundland to be subjected to the usual Process of Attachment, he will not find any Body in this Kingdom who will think Justice is to be administered with such Partiality. One of the principal Grievances made by Mr. Ougier in this Matter of Complaint was, the Manner in which the Attachment was put on; namely, that it was excessive, and had the Effect of impounding 6 or £.7,000 worth of Goods, for securing 3 or £.400 of Debt, and so putting an utter Stop to his Business. When I was at the Bay of Bulls, where this Transaction passed, I was resolved to enquire into the Fact, in order to satisfy myself, and be able to explain it, should it ever be revived  
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