the Iron Ore usually brought for the said Furnace the sum of eight Shillings Sterling for Ton each Ton to contain twenty four hundred Pounds upon himself Assumed and to the said John Jacob and Isaac then and there faithfully promised that he the said Edward for the use of the said John Jacob and Isaac would take possession of the said part of the said Mine Bank and thereat with his Hands dig and Convey from the said Bank to the Wharf near Bush River Furnace in Bush River for unloading the Iron Ore usually brought for the said Furnace and on the said Wharf land all the Iron Ore that he could raise at the said Bank between the said tenth day of May in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred and fifty eight and the ninth day of November in the Year of our Lord seventeen hundred and sixty one and that in such sorts that the said Edward should cause to be carried from the said Bank to the Wharf as fast as he could cause the same to be raised between the Months of April and November or late in the Fall if the Season would Admit of it in every Year so that the said John Jacob and Isaac should not be hindered or detained from Carrying on their Work for the want of the Ore that the said Edward might cause to be raised at the said Bank and the said Edward did then and there further promise and agree that he the said Edward at all times during the said Term would keep Employed at working the said Bank Ten able Bodyed Hands and as many more he Conveniently could and the aforesaid John and Jacob in fact that the aforesaid Edward his promise and Assumption aforesaid so as aforesaid made not regarding but the same totally Neglecting and them the said John and Jacob and the said Isaac Webster deceased in his life time (which said Isaac the said John and Jacob have Survived) in this part maliciously Contriving and Intending greatly to Injure and damnify did not take possession of the said part of the said Mine Bank so as aforesaid by them rented and thereat with his Hands digg and Convey from the said Bank to the Wharf used near Bush River Furnace in Bush River for unloading the Iron Ore usually brought for the said Furnace and on the said Wharf land all the Iron Ore that he might have raised at the said Bank between the Months of April and November in every Year and the aforesaid John and Jacob further in fact say that he the said Edward at all times during the said Term did not keep employed at Working the said Bank Ten able Bodied Hands and as many more as he Conveniently might by pretext of which promises the aforesaid John and Jacob and the said Isaac Webster (Deceased (which said Isaac John and Jacob have Survived) were hindered and Detained from

(Carrying)

Carrying on their Work for the want of the Ore that he the said Edward might have caused to have been raised at the Bank aforesaid to the (Damage) of them the said John and Jacob to the value of one thousand Pounds Sterling and therefore they bring suit and so forth pledges and so forth John Doe & Richard Roe

And the said Edward Howard by Thomas Johnson his Attorney comes and Defends the force and Injury when and so forth and prays Leave to Imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the said Plaintiffs also

At which said next Court to wit the 9th Day of September Anno Domini 1760 Come again the said Parties Plaintiffs and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the said Plaintiffs also

At which said next Court to wit the 14th Day of April Anno Domini 1761 Come again the said Parties Plaintiffs and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the said Plaintiffs also

At which said next Court to wit the 5th Day of September Anno Domini 1761 Come again the said Parties Plaintiffs and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto until the next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the said Plaintiffs also

At which said next Court to wit the 13th Day of April Anno Domini 1762 Come again the said Parties Plaintiffs and Defendant by their Attorneys aforesaid and the said Defendant by his said Attorney prays further Leave to Imparle hereunto until next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the said Plaintiffs also

At which said next Court to wit the 14th Day of September Anno Domini 1762 Come again as well the said John Hall and Jacob Giles by their Attorneys aforesaid as the said Edward Howard by his Attorney aforesaid and the said Edward Howard by his said Attorney (as before) defends the force and Injury when and so forth and saith that he did not Assume upon himself in manner and form as the aforesaid John and Jacob above against him hath Complained and of this he puts himself upon the Country and so forth

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