Frazier } Command was given to the Sheriff of Dorchester County
McGuire } that he should take Hugh McGuire late of Dorchester County
planter if he should be found in his Bailiwick and him in his Custody
should safe keep so that he should have his Body before the Justices of
Dorchester County at Cambridge in the said County the Second Tuesday in
March anno Domini Seventeen hundred & Sixty one to answer unto Alexander
Frazier of a plea wherefore with force and Arms he the said Hugh the Close
of him the said Alexander at the County afsd called Barnetts purchase did
Break and Enter & twenty Oak Trees the proper Trees of him the said Alexander
of the value of five Shillings Current money each Tree in the same Close
then there standing & growing did fell Cut down take and carry away &
other harm to the said Alexander then there did to the great Damage of
the said Alexander & against the peace of the Right Honble the Lord Propry
that now is &c and that he should have then there that writ, at which
day here Came the afsd Alexander by Robert Goldsborough his attorney and
the Sheriff of the County afsd returned that he had taken the afsd Hugh and him
had ready at the day & place afsd according to the Exigence of the writ afsd and the
afsd Alexander by his attorney afsd Declared against the afsd Hugh in the
plea afsd in manner and form following to wit Dorchester County ss, Hugh
McGuire late of Dorchester County planter was Summoned to answer unto
Alexander Frazier of a plea wherefore with force and arms he the said Hugh
the Close of him the said Alexander at the County afsd called Barnetts purchase
did Break and entered twenty oak Trees the proper Trees of him the said
Alexander of the Value of five Shillings Current money each Tree in the
same Close then there standing and growing did fell Cut down take & carry
away and other harms to the said Alexander then there did to the great damage
of him the said Alexander & against the peace of the right Honourable the
Lord Propry that now is &c and whereupon the same Alexander Frazier
by Robert Goldsborough his Attorney Complains that the afsd Hugh
McGuire the tenth day of February in the year Seventeen hundred &
Sixty one at the County afsd with force and Arms the Close of him the
(said)

said Alexander in the County afsd called Barnetts purchase did break &
Enter & Twenty Oak Trees the proper trees of him the said Alexander of the
Value of five Shillings Current money each tree in the same Close then
there standing & growing at divers days and times between the afsd Tenth
day of February and the first day of March in the year afsd at the County afsd
did fell Cut down take and carry away and other harms to the said Alexander
then there did to the great Damage of the said Alexander & against the Peace
of the Right Honourable the Lord Propry that now is &c Whereupon the same
Alexander saith that he is the worse & hath damage to the value of Fifty
pounds Current money & thereupon he brings Suit &c

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Whereupon Came here into Court the afsd Hugh by Thomas Goldsborough his
Attorney & prays Liberty of Imparling thereof untill the Second Tuesday in
June then next following & he had it &c the same day was given the afsd Alexander
&c at which day here Came the parties afsd by their Attorneys afsd and the afsd Hugh
prayed further Liberty of Imparling thereof untill the Second Tuesday in August
then next following and he had it &c and same day was given to the afsd
Alexander, at which day here Came the Parties afsd by their attorneys afsd & the
afsd Hugh prayed further Liberty of Imparling untill the Second Tuesday in
November then next following and he had it & same day was given to the
afsd Alexander &c at which day here Came the parties afsd by their attorneys afsd
and the afsd Hugh prayed further Liberty of Imparling thereof untill the
Second Tuesday in March then next following and he had it &c the same day
was given to the afsd Alexander &c and now here at this day Comes the afsd
Alexander by his attorney afsd and prayeth that the afsd Hugh to his declaration
may answer, and the afsd Hugh by his attorney afsd Comes and Defends the
force and Injury when &c and saith that he as to Coming with force & Arms
and whatever which is against the peace of the said Lord Propry that now
is he the said Hugh is not thereof Guilty & of this he puts himself upon the
Country &c so forth and as to the residue of the Trespass afsd in the Declaration
afsd above supposed to have been done the said Hugh saith that the
(afsd)