the twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety before the Honourable Thomas Johnson Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court and others his associates then Judges of the same Court a certain John Ashton had sued and impleaded a certain Jeremiah Turner late of Prince Georges county planter, and Josiah Turner late of the same county planter of a plea for this to wit that the said Jeremiah and Josiah on the first day of April in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine at Prince Georges County aforesaid with force and arms and so forth broke and entered into that tract or parcel of land called Campbells Chance lying in Anne Arundel county and also into all that other tract or parcel of land called Strath Bran lying in the same county with the appurtenances of him the said John and expelled and removed him the said John from the possession and occupation of the said tracts or parcels of land with the appurtenances and the said John so expelled and removed from the possession and occupation of the same tracts or parcels of land with their appurtenances kept and held out for a long time to wit from the first day of April in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine until the nineteenth day of April seventeen hundred and eighty seven and for all that time took and received to their own use all the rents issues and profits of the same tracts or parcels of land with their appurtenances of the yearly value of seventy five pounds current money, and did other injuries to him the said John to the great damage of him the said John and against the peace of the State and so forth wherefore the said John saith he is damnified to the value of seven hundred pounds current money. It was therefore so far proceeded in our said Court that the said John Ashton ought to recover his damages by occasion of the premises against the aforesaid Jeremiah Turner, and Josiah Turner, but because it is unknown to our said Judges what damages the said John Ashton hath sustained by occasion of the premises. Therefore we command you that according to the form of the Statute in such case lately made and provided you cause to come before the Judges of our General Court on friday in the first week of our said Court to be held at the city of Annapolis in May next twelve good and lawful men of your bailiwick to inquire of the truth of the premises and to assess what damages the said John Ashton hath sustained by occasion of the premises aforesaid and that you have on that day before our said Judges this writ that our said Judges may certify the Inquisition before them thereon witness the Honourable Thomas Johnson Esquire Chief Judge of our said

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the same day is given to the said John Ashton then and there and so forth

At which said second Tuesday of May being the sixth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and also on friday of the first week of the term in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety one and the return day of the aforegoing writ comes into the General Court here the said John Ashton by his attorney aforesaid; and the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County aforesaid to whom the said writ was in form aforesaid directed makes no return thereof to the Court here nor hath he done any thing therein, Thereupon on motion of the said John Ashton by his attorney aforesaid the writ of the State of Maryland of enquiry of damage again issues forth out of the General Court here in the words and of the tenor following to wit, The State of Maryland &c. To the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County greeting. Whereas at a General Court for the Western Shore of the said State begun and held at the City of Annapolis on the twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and ninety before the Honourable Thomas Johnson Esquire Chief Judge of our said Court and others his associates then Judges of the same Court a certain John Ashton had sued and impleaded a certain Jeremiah Turner late of Prince Georges county planter and Josiah Turner late of the same county planter of a plea for this to wit that the said Jeremiah and Josiah on the first day of April in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine at Prince Georges county aforesaid with force and arms and so forth broke and entered into that tract or parcel of land called Campbells Chance lying in Anne Arundel County and also into all that other tract or parcel of land called Strath Bran lying in the same County with the appurtenances of him the said John and expelled and removed him the said John from the possession and occupation of the same tracts or parcels of land with their appurtenances kept and held out for a long time to wit from the first day of April in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine until the nineteenth day of April seventeen hundred and eighty seven and for all that time took and received to their own use all the rents issues and profits of the same tracts or parcels of land with their appurtenances of the yearly value of seventy five pounds current money and did other injuries to him the said John to the great damage of him the said John and against the peace of the State and so forth, wherefore the said John saith he is damnified to the value of seven hundred pounds current money. It was therefore so far proceeded in our said Court that the said John Ashton ought to recover his damages by occasion of the premises against the aforesaid Jeremiah Turner and Josiah Turner but because it is unknown to our said Judges what damages the said John Ashton hath

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