And now at this day towit, the said Second Tuesday of May, being the Eighth day of the said month in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety two, come again into the General Court here, as well the said Sarah Butler by her attorney aforesaid, as the said Henry Sothoron by his attorney aforesaid: And the said Sarah Butler by her attorney aforesaid files in Court here the Deposition of Joe Butler, which is in the words and of the tenor following towit:—

Sarah Butler vs Henry Southoron } Joe Butler aged about 52. being sworn deposeth and saith that he knows Sarah the Petitioner and that she is the sister of Charles who was set free by the Court on a Petition against William Bond, and that Nell who has Petitioned against Nicholas Peers, is the Daughter of said Sarah the Petitioner and that the Deponent always knew them.— Sworn before me, this day of — Buller. —

Whereupon, the said Henry Sothoron by his attorney aforesaid, saith, that he cannot deny the complaint aforesaid of the said Sarah Butler the petitioner aforesaid, so as aforesaid made, nor but that the said Sarah Butler, the petitioner aforesaid, is entitled to her Freedom, being descended from a Free White woman, whose name was Eleanor Butler, in manner and form as the said Sarah Butler by her said Petition to the Court here preferred against him the said Henry Sothoron, above hath alleged; And thereupon, the said Sarah Butler, by her attorney aforesaid, prays that she may be dismissed and discharged from the service of the said Henry Sothoron, together with her Costs and charges by her about the prosecution of her said Petition, to her to be adjudged, and so forth. Therefore it is considered by the Court here, that the said Sarah Butler, the Petitioner aforesaid, recover of and against the said Henry Sothoron her Freedom, and that she be hence freed and discharged of and from the service of the said Henry Sothoron, and that she the said Sarah Butler, the Petitioner aforesaid, go free and discharged thereof without day, and so forth. And it is further considered by the Court here, that the said Sarah Butler, the petitioner aforesaid, recover against the said Henry Sothoron, the quantity of seven hundred and forty two pounds of tobacco by the Court here, unto the said Sarah Butler, or her assent adjudged, for her costs and charges by her about the prosecution of her said (Petition

Petition in this behalf laid out and expended, and that she have thereof her Execution, and so forth. —

Test John Irvinn Clerk.

Sarah Butler against Henry Sothoron } Be it remembered, that heretofore towit, on the Seventh day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety; Sarah Butler by Henry Ridgely her attorney, preferred and filed in the General Court here, her Petition for Freedom against Henry Sothoron, which is in form following, towit: To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court. The Petition of Sarah Butler, humbly sheweth, that she is held as a Slave by Henry Sothoron of Saint Marys County; altho' she is entitled to her Freedom, being descended from a Free white woman, whose name was Eleanor Butler. Your Petitioner is the Daughter of Sarah Butler, who was the Daughter of Nelly Butler, who was the Daughter of Sarah Butler, who was the Daughter of Eleanor Butler, the Free white woman aforesaid. She therefore prays your honors to take her case into consideration, and discharge her from the custody of the said Henry Southoron, and that Summonses may issue for her Witnesses, and so forth. — H. Ridgely, for Petitioner. —

(Enter the remainder of the proceedings in this case, as in that of Sarah Butler against Henry Sothoron, page 102. in this Book.)

Test John Irvinn Clerk —

Jane Butler against Joseph Sims } Be it remembered, that heretofore, towit, on the Twenty first day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety; Jane Butler by Gabriel Duvall her attorney, preferred and filed in the General Court here, her Petition for Freedom against Joseph Sims, which is in form following towit. — To the Honorable the Judges of the General Court. The Petition of Jane Butler, humbly sheweth, that she is held as a Slave by Joseph Sims of Montgomery County, altho' she is entitled to her Freedom; being descended from a Free woman whose name was Eleanor Butler. Your Petitioner is the Daughter of Rebecca Butler, who was the Daughter of Jane