by her attorney aforesaid, and the sheriff of Charles County aforesaid to whom the said summons was in form aforesaid directed makes return thereof to the Court here thus endorsed to wit.

Summoned. James Simms Shff.

Whereupon comes into the General Court here the said Thomas Lancaster by Philip Barton Key his attorney, And thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is continued until the second Tuesday of October Next; the same day is given to the parties aforesaid then and so forth.

At which said second tuesday of October being the ninth 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 Mary Thomas and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid, as the said Thomas Lancaster by his attorney aforesaid; And the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid agree that all depositions taken in this cafese on ten days notice to the petitioner or defendants Council before a justice of the peace shall be received and read in evidence in all the cases of petitioning negroes under the name of Thomas claiming their freedom as descendants of a certain Elizabeth Thomas or her female Ancestors on the General question touching the right of Elizabeth Thomas or her female Ancestors to Freedom under the Laws of this Country. Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of May next, the same day is given to the said parties then and so forth.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the fourteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three, come again into the General Court here as well the said Mary Thomas and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid as the said Thomas Lancaster by his attorney aforesaid Thereupon Further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of October next; the same day is given to the said parties then and so forth.

At which said second tuesday of October being the Eighth day

day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three come again into the General Court here as well the said Mary Thomas and her two children aforesaid, by her attorney aforesaid, as the said Thomas Lancaster by his attorney aforesaid Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of May next; the same day is given to the said parties then and so forth.

At which said second tuesday of May being the thirteenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four come again into the General Court here as well the said Mary Thomas and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid, as the said Thomas Lancaster by his attorney aforesaid; Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of October next; the same day is given to the said parties then and so forth.

At which said second Tuesday of October being the fourteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four come again into the General Court here as well the said Mary Thomas and her two children aforesaid by her attorney aforesaid, as the said Thomas Lancaster by his attorney aforesaid; Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second Tuesday of May next; the same day is given to the said parties then and so forth.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the twelfth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five come again into the General Court here as well the said Mary Thomas and her two children aforesaid, by her attorney aforesaid as the said Thomas Lancaster by his attorney aforesaid; Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid between the parties aforesaid by order of the Court here is further continued until the second tuesday of October next; the same day is given to the said parties then and so forth.

And now at this day to wit the said second Tuesday of October being the thirteenth day of the said month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five come again into the

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