

Liber B Richard Roe Sworne and Examined in open Court sayeth that about the last weeke of Aprill or thearabouts this deponant went up to the hows of John Wheeler to pay him a weekes worke and a short time after hee went up againe and enquired for samuell Price for [p. 159] when hee was up before the sayd Wheeler tould this deponant hee was to haue planted with him for a share of Corne and tobacco but now hee told him that hee was gon and hee demanded what Consideration hee the sayd Wheeler gaue him for the time hee was theare and hee told him hee was to giue him nothing but his foulkes was to helpe him hill in the old feeld and further sayd that hee had bin lambe at his hows and his diat that hee had was more worth then his worke and further sayeth not :

The defendant Alleaging that hee was to plant with him the yeare and that hee went away and broake his Couenant: and thearfor desarued nothing and the Plantiue alleageth that the defendant turned him away from his Crope which the Defendant desireth him to proue it and hee not beeing able but Contradicting his petition in acknowledging to haue worked in other places It is Ordered that the Plantiue shoold bee nonsuited and pay the Cost and Charge of suit

Benjamin Hammon by Attorney John alias Jacob Lumbroso Plantiue William Gother defendant	}	The Plantiue aresting the defendant in an action of defamation Prefereth his petition as followeth
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To the Worshipfull Commissioners of Charleses Countie the humble Petition of Benjamin hammon humbly Sheweth

[p. 160] That Whearas William Gother hath Maliciously defamed your petitioner in reporting that hee hath Cheated him of his Crope hee thearfor hath entered his action of defamation The Premisses Considered your Petitioner humbly Craueth Relife with Cost and Charge of suit and your Petitioner as in duty bound shall euer pray &c

and for the Confirmation of the sayd Petition the Plantiue Desireth that Thomas James might haue his oath giuen him which is granted: who deliued his oath as followeth in wrighting

That whearas I am hear subpened for a witnes betwixt Benjamin hammon and william Gother thees are to Certifie you of what I can say, that befor the Crope which was maed by them was all strooke, the sayd William Gother Come ouer the sayd Benjamin with the Consent of William Gother desired mee to Read the accountpt: ouer of what tobacco was disposed of and to whome whear upon I did Read it upon which the sayd Will Gother desired to haue in his bill from Benjamin hammon which to my best Rememberance amounted unto eight hundered pounds of tobacco or thear abouts the which the sayd beniamin hammon deliuered to him and desired mee to wright