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Samuell Polino pl.<sup>s</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundersett County, by John Robbins of this County Cordwainer &  
John Robbins Exper Def<sup>t</sup> Catherine his wife were attache<sup>d</sup> to answer unto Samuell Polino  
of the said County Bricklayer in an action of Slander & <sup>as</sup>

¶ And whereupon the pl.<sup>t</sup> by his Attorney named Sangster com<sup>t</sup> & says that  
The def<sup>t</sup> especially the above said Catharin hath most Wickedly & Malitiously att-  
Searall times Calumniated & defamed the said pl.<sup>t</sup>, especially in reporting &  
perswading severall of the good people of this County that the pl.<sup>t</sup> wife is a witch which  
At severall times she did report in the yeares besy & more particularly upon the 24<sup>th</sup> day  
of November last past at the house of the said def<sup>t</sup> she did advise Henry Sedbury of  
this County y<sup>r</sup> cause not to buy any living creature of the pl.<sup>t</sup> for said Catharin  
she will tricke them & it will neuer live for shd be a witch & she would take her oath  
that the pl.<sup>t</sup> wife was a witch likewise upon the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April last among other  
discourses concerning the pl.<sup>t</sup> wife the said Catharin laid to Joseph Slator that the pl.<sup>t</sup>  
Wife was a witch & she would prove it so that the pl.<sup>t</sup> doth declare that the said John  
Robbins & Catharin his wife hath not Only Malitiously slandered & defamed the pl.<sup>t</sup>  
good name but hath induced severall of the inhabitants of this province to credit and  
believe her slanders whereby the pl.<sup>t</sup> wife life may be endangered & leuine and  
dealing taken away from the pl.<sup>t</sup> no will apparduord full by evidenc<sup>e</sup> the pl.<sup>t</sup> say<sup>d</sup>  
he is dammified & hath loss to the value of Two hundred pounds Sterling & therupon  
Brings his Suite      Sangster p<sup>r</sup> quer. plodger & profit      { John Doe  
Richard Alford      James Taylor &      Richard Roe  
Joseph Slator      his wife      { p<sup>r</sup> def<sup>t</sup>  
Jean Slator part of pl.<sup>t</sup>      Walter M<sup>c</sup>Henry  
Henry Sedbury      Elizabell Lester      =

¶ And the said John Robbins by his Attorney Thomas Coote com<sup>t</sup> & defendeth the  
for<sup>d</sup> Diniing of the pl.<sup>t</sup> & saith that his action he ought not to have for that he never did  
Slander the pl.<sup>t</sup> wife as in manner & forme declared

Upon which came both parties by their Attorneys aforesaid & by Mutuall Consent put  
Cham<sup>s</sup> to the iudgement of this Court

Whereupon it is this day to wit the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September ad aforesaid Considered by  
This Court that the aforesaid John Robbins pay unto the said Samuell Polino Two-  
hundred pounds of Tobacco with cost &

Audit is further Ordered by this Court that the said John Robbins & Catharin his wife  
make their personace apparaunce next Court & in the meane time to be of the good behaviour  
Toward all his le<sup>r</sup> opp<sup>r</sup> good people & especially toward Samuell Polino & his wife

George Crohorne pl.<sup>t</sup> ¶ Whereas there being two accoun<sup>t</sup>s depending this Court between  
Thomas Millman p<sup>r</sup> & the said George Crohorne & the said Court Considering their poverty  
already by other unnecessary suits at law already had in this Court

¶ It is therefore Ordered by this Court that John Nash & Stephen Howey of this County  
granted be Auditor to audit all accoun<sup>t</sup>s now in dispute betw<sup>n</sup> the parties a-  
foresaid & make Report thereon at the next County Court held in Sundersett County