

The 30<sup>th</sup> their Ma<sup>ties</sup> Justices of the Peace for the County of Somerset the humble Petition of Richard Hill and Martha his wife Thomas Morris Blanton and Mary his wife and of Eliz: Smith & her to the said Thomas Morris humbly sheweth. That whereas John Vigoreux of this County Chyrurgeon pretended to be the greatest Heir to the Estate of Edward Smith and Anne his wife the father and Mother of your Petitioners by writing procure the said Vigoreux hath procured Letters of the said Estate hath got into his hands and thereupon hath done ingrossing the whole to himself so fraudulently and craftily intending to deprive your Petitioners of their just due and right proportionably of the said Estate by a most unjust and illegal account procured to your works. And whereas it is manifest and can appear that your Petitioners father in his life time was never received any tobacco or other thing by the said Vigoreux exceeding 1500<sup>l</sup> of tobacco or under which your Petitioners father did always come to the said Vigoreux his due. So your Petitioners humbly beseech that your works as you represent God in Justice would consider the fatherless and motherless Orphans condition that are like to be so grossly and manifestly wronged by the said John Vigoreux, who will no ways allow your Petitioners their just due, and that your works would examine the said Letters unjust and false account against the said Estate by which he doth himself stab only six pound twelve shillings sterling money 4787<sup>l</sup> Pound of tobacco, severall Hogs, four hogs of tobacco by him sold (as also our M<sup>ty</sup>: boy which is no part of the Estate but the proper goods of your Petitioners. your said Petitioners being always willing to allow the said John what he can in reason and conscience make appear what is justly due to him out of the said Estate, and your Petitioners shall ever in duty as bound pray.

John Lane and Edmund Hill Grand Court Order Vigoreux shew appear

Maryland Somerset County

Whereas Complaint is this day (to wit the 3<sup>rd</sup> day) of February an<sup>o</sup> 1690 made by Margaret the wife of Samuel Collins that at divers times they lost certain fatt hogs but more especially about Sabbath day last they lost one fatt hog, which they have strong presumption to believe to be stolen and carryed away by some person or persons lately come into these parts, as by many shrewd & palpable Circumstances seems to intorming thereof that the said Margaret having in suspicion some persons as above do hath therefore craved this warrant that search may be made for.

And therefore in their Ma<sup>ties</sup> Name we will and require as also strictly to charge and Command you John Starratt Constable of Potomack hundred that incessantly at right times of you make diligent search in all such suspicious places where the said hogs may be found as you shall be directed by the said Samuel Collins or Margaret his wife according to Law, and if found that you bring the same along with the party with whom its found, either before us or some other of their Ma<sup>ties</sup> Justices of the Peace for this County, to be proceeded against as in such cases provided by Act of Assembly. And thereof you are not to fail as you will answer the Contrary or given under my hand and Seal this day and year above.

Francis Gouther & sealed.

To m. Gu. Starratt Constable of Potomack hundred this.

Returned and nothing found for me John Starratt. But these Starratt complaining to the Court of being abused by Richard Small and Honora his wife in the prosecution of this Office the Court Order Greteff issue against the said Small & his wife to answer to their Ma<sup>ties</sup> for.