

...not guilty & put him on the Court. Ga. Langston.

and the pt also of Strawbridge.

...the four Evidence's Sworn for the pt. by Jo. Dufon & James
...Dorham. & John Worthington. — The Court having considered the
...de q'ro their judgment according to Doctrines and Rules, and 3rd p. 1200.
w. 12 p.

Mr. Lippitt
Contra
M. Mathers

Somerset County
Wm. Matthews of the said County, Plaintiff was attached to answer
unto John Rowell of the said County Defendant in a plea
of trespass upon the Case. — And whereupon the said
John Rowell by John Strawbridge his Attorney Complaineth

And saith that whereas the said William Matthews in or about the 15th day of June an^o Domini
1695. at Morumstow wrote in the Jurisdiction of the said Court unto the Plantation of the said
John Rowell (in the absence of the said John Rowell) came craftily & deceitfully unrightly
& unlawfully & cheatingly to Margaret wife of the said John Rowell under colour and
pretence of friendship and told her the said Mary Rowell that he would & could do her
kindness in the absence of her husband, that with her consent the said Matthews would
make & make young Cattle of the said John Rowell's goods, that was numbered in his own
Name & marks, and that to do her the said Mary a kindness he would take & keep them
from any other Child for the use of her the said Mary and her Children, notwithstanding
the said Wm. Matthews after he had the consent of the said Margaret Rowell to make the said
young Cattle in his own name & marks: which he did accordingly, and was to take the said
Cattle upon the Plantation of the said Rowell for the use of the said Mary. He the said Wm.
Matthews did write in four months or thereabouts after he had away the foresaid Cattle from
the Plantation of the said John Rowell, & did conceal & dispose of the foresaid 7 young
Cattle to the use of him the said Wm. Matthews. The said 7 head of young Cattle was valued to
1600 pounds of Merchants' tobacco, together with one Gron postell, two bushels of Indian Corn
& one half of wheat, where the said Wm. Matthews kept & detained from the said
John Rowell & his wife the said wheat is valued at 240^l of tobacco in all the above said Cattle
... in Court more plainly may appear all the above said
... aboutly kept & detained from the said
... wrong authority, order of Court
... poor family
... so that he is damaged