Whereas a petition was exhibited by Mr. Daniel Wise, many differences & opposition seemed against his dwelling Master & Dame, by reason that his said brother Daniel & Mr. Master & Dame had not to labor mutually together: he makes notoriously appearing upon his Master & his threatening them & laying wait for them with a great knife & also threatening his Master's house shall not stand long. These are therefore to will & require you to restrain the said Gwen Crocker into your safe custody, so that you may have her body before the Justices of this next Court to be holden for this County, there to answer to what shall be then & there objected against her by her said Master & Dame. Whereof you are not to fail. Given under our hands & seals this day & year aboves. — — — — — — Wm: Jenkins (Seales)

To Mr Edward Harper Constable of Yarmouth — George Layfield (Seales)

Yarmouth who is hereby required to take ye above from the hands of Hugh: Barber & him safely to convey to the Sheriffs as aforesaid, whereof ni Hoc Malice Namos he is strictly to offend.

Wm: Jenkins
George Layfield.

The Deposition of Robert Smith Junior aged twelve years ——

When I was upon the 31: day of August my father Robert: Smith having reproved his man Serv. for an offence done, gave my father sauty language, my father told him his tongue was too long, he desired my father to come & strike it, if he could, or take ye Saith his Servant. Gwen Crocker I will take another, & we will Cubb it out. & afterwards when my father & Mother was in bed, he gott one great knife, & said now I have got a Cubb. & challenged my father to rise & come out & he would end it, & in morning not before my father rose, Gwen my father's Servant calle my father to rise, for he was ready to go before a Comissioner, & when my father was risen he took up a Stool & struck at my father, & said that he would beat out his brains, and also tattled his head of an andiron made of pewter, & struck at his face & cut him, & said he would never serve him one hour, neither said he shall goe (speaking to my father) enjoy your Rabbit Cutting, but I shall be allways laying upon ye stairs ye Deponent saith & no further.

The so Robert Smith being examined his wife & Sam. likewise ye so Gwen who confessed to part of what alledged ——— ——— ———

It was by this Court being considered & ordered that so Gwen be taken into Mr. Cutler & him to convey to the whipping post, & there to give him the so Gwen thirty lashes upon her bare back well laid on, which by the Sheriffs was executed: Ordered likewise the so Gwen pay unto his said Master three months service for his damages. ——— After which the so Robert Smith assigned all his right interest & title of his said Servant Gwen Crocker to Mr Stephen Luff which was ordered to be entered