

Whereas Anthony Knowlman and Mary his wife when attached to be
 and appear in our County Court before our Justice at our Court house at Our
 Toft and Port of Chester on the twenty sixth day of August last) to
 answer unto William Potts of a plea of Trespass upon the Case for that
 Whereas the aforesaid William is and was a good true and faithful Subject
 of our now Sovereign Lady Queen and of her Noble Predecessors since
 some of his Majesty's being a person of generous Education and honest name
 and as such from the time of his Arrival in this Province hath hitherto
 excellently behaved and carried himselfe and his wife of good name
 same reputation for civility, Integrity, Credit and Dignity amongst all
 her Majesty's officers in this Province both Civil and military and very many
 of her other good, honest and faithful Subjects ever since his Arrival
 here which is now about the full space of seven years was known
 called, had and reputed and by the whole time aforesaid hath lived and main-
 tained here free from every manner of Falsity, Deceit, Perjury or Injury
 or the least Suspicion of the same or benefit of any other wicked or hurt-
 full Crime - And whereas the aforesaid William in further and full testimony of
 his his aforesaid known civility, real Integrity and Impartiality, honest
 behaviour and other good laudable and eminent parts and suitable Quali-
 fications hath lately been commissioned to serve her Majesty and people
 in this her Province not only as a Captain of Foot in military affairs
 but also in Civil in the office of Justice of Peace for the County of
 Cheshire in this Province as it should lately be divided and whereas the aforesaid
 William before the Division of the said County and during his Autho-
 rity and power as Justice of the Peace there viz in the years of our
 Lord 1706 and 1707 did of the utmost of his Endeavour to reconcile Neigh-
 bours within his Jurisdiction and to suppress vexatious and unnecessary
 Law Suits so far as he could or ought in a legal and due Administration
 of Justice and that ^{then} and there a certain Difference happened between
 a certain woman named Joan the wife of William Brewerty and the
 aforesaid Mary wife of Anthony Knowlman a bene said both being Inhabi-
 tants of the said County and Neighbours to him the said William and to each
 other there which said Matter of Difference being duly and regularly
 brought or pursued and fairly upon Tryall before him as Justice of the
 Peace aforesaid he Endeavour'd to terminate and put an End to or otherwise
 ad therein according to his discretion viz with due regard to and obser-
 vation of Law and his own limited power & Authority and whereas in the
 very Sentence of Time of the said Tryall the the said Mary being then
 Complainant against the said Joan upon some Complaint and Satisfaction
 then given to her the said Mary by the said Joan which was Justly
 by the said Mary unto him the said ^{William} voluntarily acknowledged the the
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