Ly John Cope } Command was given to the Sheriff of Somersett County that he should take
Thomas Brown } Thomas Brown late of Somersett County planter if he should be found in
his Bayliwick and him should safe keep so that he might have his Body before
the Justices of this Lordships County Court of Somersett to be held at Dividing Creek the third
Tuesday of march then next to answer unto John Cope in a plea of trespass upon the Case &c and
that there of he should not fail &c.—

And whereupon the same John Cope by Levin Gale his attorney Complains that whereas
the afd Thomas the tenth day of June ann°. Dom°. One thousand Seven hundred and twenty Six at
Somersett County afd within the Jurisdiction of this Court was indebted to the same John in the Sum of
Eleven hundred pounds as by Sd Records there in Court produced may appear &c to there of being indebted
the same Thomas in Consideration there of afterwards to wit the same day and year afd at the County
afd & within the Jurisdiction afd upon himself assumed & to the same John Cope then & there faith-
fully promised that he when afterwards he should be there to required he the Sd Sum of Eleven
hundred pounds to the same John would well & faithfully Content & pay Nevertheless the same
Thomas his promise & assumption afd in form afd made little regarding & slighting & fraudu-
lently intending the afd John in that part craftily & subtilly to defraud & deceive the afd Sum
of Eleven hundred pounds or any part there of to the same John hath not paid or him fully in any
wise Contented although often there to required but the same Thomas the same hitherto to do
& the altogether refused & still doth refuse to the damage of the same John ten pounds
Curr°. money and there of he brings his Suit &c— Levi Gale Attd pledges &c. Jn°. Doe & Rich°. Roe

At which said third tuesday of November to wit the fifteenth day of the same month
ann°. Dom°. One thousand Seven hundred and twenty Six being the day of the Return of the said
Writt Cometh the said John Cope by his attorney afd and the Sheriff of Somersett County to whom
the aforegoing Writt was directed Likewise Cometh and maketh Return there of Endorsed in these
words following viz - Non Est Inventus Short note left at Francis Allens House —

Whereupon the afd John Cope by his attorney afd prayed that forasmuch as he hath Complyed
with the Law in order to an attachm°. he may have Judgm°. against the afd Thomas Brown for
his damages afd by way of attachment according to act of Assembly &c. whereupon for that it
seemeth to the Court here that the afd John Cope hath complyed with the Law as alledged;

Therefore it is considered by the Justices here the fifteenth day of Novemb°. and
Dom°. One thousand seven hundred & twenty Six that the afd John Cope Recover against the afd
Thomas Brown as well the Sum of Eleven hundred pounds his damages by occasion of the premis-
ses afd as all Costs and Charges by the said plaint Laid Out and Expended about his Suite

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