

August Court - - - 1727 - - - 33  
Reason of the speaking asserting Publishing & Declaring of which false Malicious  
Infamous Scandalous & opprobrious words of same Tho: not only in his good Name  
same Credit & Estimation as is Much hurt & Damnisied but also sundry  
sums of Money & Tob: for clearing up his Innocency in y<sup>e</sup> part is forced to spend  
Whereupon he saith he is worse & hath done to y<sup>e</sup> value of thirty y<sup>e</sup> Lawfull  
Money of Maryland & thereof he brings Suite  
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and the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew Horia by Levin Gale his attorney comes and defends the force and Injury -  
when v<sup>o</sup> and pray leave to Judge here unto unlike the next Court and he hath it and the same  
day is given unto the s<sup>d</sup> Court here also v<sup>o</sup>

At which said next Court to wit the twentieth day of June and Dow. One thousand seven hundred  
and twenty seven came againe as well the s<sup>d</sup> Thomas Breton as the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew Horia by their  
attorney s<sup>d</sup> and the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew Horia by his said attorney thereupon prayed further leave  
to Judge here unto unlike the next Court and he hath it and the same day is given unto the  
s<sup>d</sup> Court here also v<sup>o</sup>

At which said next Court to wit the firsteath day of August and Dow. One thousand seven  
hundred and twenty seven came againe as well the s<sup>d</sup> Thomas Breton as the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew Horia  
by their attorney s<sup>d</sup> and the said Mathew Horia by his said attorney as before defends the force and  
Injury when v<sup>o</sup> and say that he is not guilty of the premises above upon him Injured  
in manner and form as the s<sup>d</sup> Thomas against him hath complained and of this he puts himself  
upon the Country v<sup>o</sup> and doeth in like manner

Thereupon Command is given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that Immediately he cause  
to come here twelve v<sup>o</sup> by whom v<sup>o</sup> who neither v<sup>o</sup> to recognize v<sup>o</sup> because as well v<sup>o</sup> of which  
said Breton the said Sheriff to wit Francis Allen Gent. Now hereat this day to wit the same day  
and year last mentioned makes Return that he hath here ready twelve v<sup>o</sup> as by his said  
precept he was Comanded and now hereafterwards to wit the same day and year come as well  
the s<sup>d</sup> Court as s<sup>d</sup> doeth by their attorney s<sup>d</sup> and the Jurors of that Jury therein Injuried  
being called Likewise came to wit Wm Lane, Edw Jones, Richard Holland, Thomas Cary, John  
Townsend Junr, Henry Tordonia, James Hardy, John Holland, James Thompson, Christopher Glass, Wm  
Gurnis and Robert Collier. who being duly Elected tryed and sworn to say the truth in the premi:  
ses upon their Oath do say, that the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew Horia is not guilty of the premises as the s<sup>d</sup>  
Thomas Breton above against him hath complained v<sup>o</sup>

Therefore it is considered by the Court here that the s<sup>d</sup> Thomas Breton take nothing by his  
writ and declaration s<sup>d</sup>, but be in mercy for his false Rumour and that the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew  
Horia goe thereof without day also it is considered that the s<sup>d</sup> Mathew Horia recover against  
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