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and Comfort Costan Orphan as afo to Read well in the bible and to Hunt ven and spui with other-  
housewifery, and find and provide for the said Children sufficient meat drink washing Lodging &  
Cloathing mete for such Children to have and wear during their servitude afo & than the above  
Recognizance to be void otherwise to remain in full force & vertue.

Mathias Costan & }  
Benton Costan -- }  
bound to }  
Peter Benton El, uxer }  
Mathias Costan and Benton Costan Orphan of Stephen Costan dec. is bound by the Court  
of their own consent unto Peter Benton and Comfort his wife until they arrive  
to the age of twenty One Year Each, if the afo Comfort wife of the afo Peter  
should live so long, but if Pleas God the afo Comfort should depart this life  
before the afo Mathias and Benton Costan should arrive at the age of twenty One Year as afo, that then  
the afo Mathias and Benton Costan Orphan as afo be returned to the County Court of Somerset for  
the time being & the said Peter Benton, to learn the afo Mathias Costan and Benton Costan during  
their servitude to Read write and Cypher as far as the rule of three and the trade of a horse far-  
-genter, and to find and provide for his said apprentices meat drink washing Lodging and Cloathing mete  
for such an apprentice to have and wear during their servitude afo - whereupon It's ordered by  
the Court that the afo Peter Benton give security to Comply with the Covenants afo &.

Whereupon the said Peter Benton with Isaac Costan his security both present here  
in Court acknowledged them selves to owe and stand indebted unto the said Mathias and Benton  
Costan in the sum of forty pounds sterling to be severally levied upon their body goods or  
chattel, lands or tenements for the use of the said Mathias and Benton Costan their heirs and  
assigns if default be made in the condition hereunder written

The condition of the above Recognizance is such that if the <sup>above</sup> said Peter Benton  
do and shall well and truly during the servitude of the afo Mathias and Benton Costan learn them to  
Read write and Cypher as far as the rule of three, and the trade of a horse far-  
-genter, and like-  
-wise find and provide for the said Children meat drink washing Lodging and Cloathing sufficient for  
such apprentices to have and wear then the above Recognizance to be void and of none effect other-  
-wise to stand and remain in full force and vertue in Law &.

John Mathews }  
bound to }  
John Harger }  
Jane Mathews comes into Court in her proper person and of her own free  
consent binds herself on John Mathews, unto John Harger his heirs and assigns  
until he arrives to the age of twenty One Year, he being seven Years of age  
the Eighteenth day of September Next, the said John Mathews, to serve his said Master the  
full term of time afo in all such Lawful service that he should require him in and about the  
free term afo In consideration of which servitude the said John Harger undertakes  
to learn his said servant during his servitude to read well in the bible, and at the expiration of  
his servitude to give him three Year Old heifer and a good Suit of Cloath, and Substantive and  
provide for him during his servitude sufficient meat drink washing Lodging and Cloathing &.