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and estimation of the worthy Subjects of Great Britain to whom he was known he got and purchased notwithstanding the
afore said Benjamin not ignorant of the premises, but Envy'g the happy Estate of the said James and maliciously intending
to deprive the said James of his good name fame Credit and estimation aforesaid and also bring him into Contempt
and disgrace the tenth day of November and Dow. One thousand seven hundred and twenty nine at some of Court within
the Jurisdiction of this Court these false feigned scandalous and approbrious words and Lye's following then
thorow having Communication with the said James Robertson in the presence and hearing of divers faithful Subjects
of our Lord the King did utter and speak vizt. on the said James Robertson saying to the said Benj^o de Lebruce
how he came to say that his negroes (the Negroes of the same James meaning stole) his from the Court of the
said Benjamin meaning and gave it to John Bosman, the said Benj^o de Lebruce answered J^o did say so
whereon the said James Robertson said to the said Benj^o that that was a good way to revenge his Cause but it
was no wonder he said so when he charged himself (the said James himself meaning with stealing his
Court whereupon the said Benjamin said these words vizt. so you (the said James speaking to of and meaning)
did many times say twenty times by pretence of white false feigned and scandalous words and Lye's the said
James is not only very much hurt in his good name Credit and Estimation but hath been obliged to be paid divers
sums of money and to have for the clearing of his Innocency whereby the said James says he is worse and hath
damages of fifty pounds current money and thereof to bringe suit v^o L^ophale & Rich^o Redger & J^o de K^oac

And the said Benjamin de Lebruce by Francis Allen his attorney comes and defends the free and duty when^o and
prays leave thereof to Judge here until the next Court and he hath it and the same day is given to the said Benj^o de Lebruce
At which said next Court to wit the seventeenth day of March and Dow. One thousand seven hundred and twenty nine
came againe as well the afore said James Robertson as the said Benjamin de Lebruce by their attorney: and hereupon
the said Benjamin de Lebruce prays further leave thereof to Judge here until the next Court and he hath it and the same
day is given to the afore said Benj^o de Lebruce

At which said next Court to wit the sixteenth day of June and Dow. One thousand seven hundred and thirty one againe
as well the afore said James Robertson as the afore said Benjamin de Lebruce by their attorney: aforesaid
and hereupon the same Benjamin de Lebruce prays further leave thereof to Judge here until the next Court and he hath
it and the same day is given to the afore said Benj^o de Lebruce

At which said next Court to wit the Eighteenth day of August and Dow. One thousand seven hundred &
thirty one againe as well the afore said James Robertson as the afore said Benjamin de Lebruce by their attorney: and
hereupon the said Benjamin de Lebruce as before defend, the free and duty when^o and says that he cannot say
the action aforesaid of the said James, nor can he say but that he did falsely, maliciously and wickedly utter pronounce
and publish, of the said James those scandalous and approbrious words and Lye's at the said James above
against him Complain'd, nor can he say but that the said James ought to recover his damages by reason of the
premises and beyond his Costs and Charges by him about his suit in that part accorded to fifty pounds current money and
not more and because the afore said James deny not this but the same allegation Confesses to be true prays Judge &
those damages above Confessed to gather with his Costs and Charges aforesaid to him adjudged

Therefore by Consent of the parties aforesaid it is provided that the afore said James Robertson recover against the
afore said Benjamin de Lebruce his damages aforesaid to fifty pounds current money by the said Benjamin in form of
Confessed as also seven hundred and thirty one pounds of tobacco for his Costs and Charges aforesaid to the
said James at his request by the Court here and of the Consent of the parties aforesaid adjudged and the said debt in money &
and upon this the said James Robertson hath had in Court Relinquish'd to the said Benjamin the said fifty pounds current
money & damages of tobacco for the same Benjamin of those damages and to wit fifty pounds current money be the said Court

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