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Such Evidence as he knows against the said John Evans of and concerning his Stealing  
One Suit of Cloaths of Divers Colours and Sundry Other goods, and do Depart thence  
Without the Leave of that Court &c.

This Lordship } Somerset County &c. The Jno: for the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary,  
} Joseph Hardin. What now is for the body of somerset County upon their Oath do present that Joseph  
Hardin alias Hardy late of somerset parish in the County aforesaid planter the first day  
of february in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred thirty and three with Force and  
Army at the parish aforesaid in the County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court one  
Bible of the Value of fifty pounds of Tobacco of the Goods and Chattels of John  
Thompson then and there being found then and there feloniously did Steal take  
and bear away contrary to the Peace of the Said Lord Proprietary that now is  
his good Rule and Government and against the form of the Act of Assembly  
such case lately made and provided &c.

Tes: John Thompson, William Thompson & Sarah Thompson —

On the Bankside of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was Endorsed vid. Billa Vere  
Samuel Wilson foreman — Whereupon afterwards to with the nineteenth day of March  
ann'd. One thousand seven hundred and thirty before the Justices of this Lordship's County Court  
of somerset now perished at dividing Creek in and for the same County came the aforesaid Joseph Hardin  
aforesaid in his proper person according to a certain Recognizance by him and his Security before  
acknowledged and being by the Sheriff of the County aforesaid to the Bar, had a hearing of the Indict-  
ment aforesaid and says that he is not guilty thereof, and of this he puts himself upon the Country and  
William Goldsbrough Gent: attorney of his Lordship, and who for his said Lordship in that part  
fellowes likewise — Thereupon it is commanded the Sheriff of somerset County that immediately  
he should cause to come here before the aforesaid Justices twelve Jurors by whom &c. and who neither & <sup>to recognize</sup> because  
as well &c. and afterwards immediately came hereof the Jury &c. and the Jurors of that same  
Jury by Joshua Caldwell Gent: Sheriff of the County aforesaid to him impannelled being called came  
to wit. Edward Bechamp, Barker Selby, Thomas Dixon, George Tull, John Pope Robert Mitchell  
Joshua Stinges, George Newton, William Miller, Thomas Ryley Wm Holland and John Fleming  
who to say that each of and upon the premises being called tried and sworn upon their Oath did  
say that the said Joseph Hardin aforesaid is not guilty of the felony aforesaid Indictment  
aforesaid specified in manner and form as by the Indictment aforesaid above against him was made.

Whereupon all and singular the premises by the Court have been heard and fully understood It is  
considered by the Court here that the said Joseph Hardin aforesaid be quiet and go hence  
without dayes. Whereupon it is ordered by the Court that the said Joseph Hardin give security  
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