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Sharper a negro man of Isaac Randy being ancient and Infirm and not able to Labour is set Tax free by the Court here until such time as please God to raise him to a state of health to Labour &c.

Benjamin Gooden  
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To the Right Worlippule Justies of Sommerset most Humbly Sheweth That whereas your petitioner being in great Distress accompanied with wofule poverty unable to help my self with Reasonable Reliefe presumed to trouble your worships with my sad deplorable condition Begging your favorable as Relife to the help of my sad Condition being Old and many Small Children to maintaine where with all and nothing to depend on but my hand Labour and unable to performe the same These are most humbly praying your worships to consider my poor Condition and Ease me of the Oppression of Taxe which I am not able to pay and your most humbly petitioner will in duty bound forever pray.

Benjamin Gooden - o.

The petition aforesaid being Read and heard and fully understood and mature Deliberation thereupon has It is Considered that the aforesaid Benjamin Gooden be for the future Taxfree as by the petition aforesaid is paid and that he be allowed One pound of Tobano as an Objet &c.

Upon the Motion of John Tunstall of Sommerset County Gets it thereby praying that his negro woman Sarah being ancient and Infirm and past Labour may be Taxfree &c.

Therefore it is Considered that the aforesaid John Tunstall be discharge for the future from paying of Taxe for the aforesaid negro Sarah as aforesaid is paid &c.

Upon the motion of Robert Denckis Henry Gentleman of Sommerset County thereby setting forth that his negro woman Sarah is ancient and Infirm and past her Labour and pray that she may be Tax free for the future &c Therefore it is Considered that the aforesaid Robert Denckis Henry be discharged of and from paying of Taxe for the aforesaid Negro Sarah for the future as aforesaid is paid &c.

Thomas Newton

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To the Right Worlippule Justies of Sommerset most Humbly Sheweth I make to your worships with all Submission Begging you will consider my misfortune and low condition and release me of the Burthen which is to hard for me to bear which I hope you will when you hear of my Condition I am Sixty years old and it pleases God to afflict me with a pain in my shoulder which proceed from a stroke of Stroke that I am not able to make my Bread so I pray your worships that you will release me from paying of Taxe no more but I remain your Humble Servant . . . .

Thomas Newton -

The petition aforesaid being Read and heard and fully understood It is Considered that the aforesaid - Thomas