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running towards him upon which Reynolds met him and this said Baker struck him with said Hoe and beat him in ten different places and while they were engaged Stephen Porter went into the Loft and brought down a Negro Child about two years old and carried it off and that Robert Porter and Jeremiah Baker both came and struck him divers strokes and then they and all the rest went off. And this said Deponent further declareth that on the Nine-tenth day of the said Month of August at Night on the said Reynolds hearing a Noise he got up and saw a Man laying upon a Log, sometimes after hearing a Noise again he lifted up the Lash and saw five Persons, to wit Francis Baker Jeremiah Baker Stephen Porter and Robert Porter and John Cavanah coming out of the Cellar of the said Reynolds House with four Loaves of Bread the property of said Reynolds and that one had been eaten in the Cellar except a small morsel and that the said Persons had no Hats on but all with Handkerchiefs tied round their Heads over the foreheads after sometime Reynolds opened the Door to see if there were any more than them which came out of the Cellar and the one on the Log upon which he saw a great Number all under Arms then he shut to the Door and continued in the House till about two Hours before day then he asked his Wife if she was Sleepy and she said not he then asked her what the Reason was and she answered that she could not rest because of the Noise she heard in the Cellars and about the House upon which he and his Wife continued walking about the House until day when he fired a gun charged with Powder only in order to alarm his Brother John who he had agreed with to do that in case they should come again after the first mentioned time and then he shut to the Door and went to the Window and looked out and saw Francis Baker Stephen Porter Jeremiah Baker Robert Porter James McCalase and sundry other Persons who cried out there is the Son of a Bitch Shute him Shute him upon which Francis Baker and Stephen Porter both shot through the Windows into the House and lodged Seventy five Shot in the House and four Shot went through the Shirt that he had on his Back and they and the Company with them fell too and broke Sixty odd Pains of Glass in the Windows and the Window Sashes then broke open the Door and some came in at the Windows and some at the Door and went over all the House opening the Doors of the Rooms and went into the Garret and brought down four Negroes the Property of said Reynolds whose Names are Caesar Pegg Sue and Jack and carried them off and also took two guns with them the Property of said Reynolds and Stephen Porter did Beat Prudence Reynolds the Wife of the said William Reynolds And this said Deponent further declareth that when they took the two guns out of the House Jeremiah Baker and Robert Porter proceeded to load the guns the Company swore they would blow his the said Reynolds Brains out some of the Company then said dont kill him for we have got the Negroes and John Cavanah came up to him with a Cutlass in his hand after they had got the Negroes and swore he would split his Brains out And further this Deponent saith not.

Robert Porter Francis Baker Jeremiah Baker James Gillaspie and John Cavanah being present at the time of the taking the aforesaid Deposition Francis Baker asked of the said Reynolds if James Gillaspie one of the Persons mentioned in an Indict-