

To the worsp<sup>ll</sup> Comm<sup>rs</sup> of Caluert County

Liber F F

The humble pet<sup>n</sup> of Tho: Hooton sheweth

That Demetrius Cartwright hath falsly slandered and defamed yo<sup>r</sup> pet<sup>r</sup> by saying yo<sup>r</sup> petition<sup>r</sup> stole Goods from Michael Catterson & others by which report yo<sup>r</sup> pet<sup>r</sup> hath been uery much defamed and blemished in his Credite Now soe it is that yo<sup>r</sup> pet<sup>r</sup> being found Guiltless humbly Craueth of this worsp<sup>ll</sup> Court redresse against the said Cartwright for the s<sup>d</sup> defamacon according as this worsp<sup>ll</sup> Court shall adjudge w<sup>th</sup> Cost of suite and yo<sup>r</sup> pet<sup>r</sup> as in duty bound shall pray &<sup>c</sup>. [p. 161]

The deposition of Thomas Paggett aged 25 or thereabouts sworne sayth—

That Demetrius Cartwright Coming to my howse I asked who he thought stole the Goods, & discribing a man to mee I asked if it was Thomas Hooton and hee answered it was the same & further saith not

The deposition of Richard ffountaine aged 30 or thereabouts sworne saith—

That I went to Demetrius Cartwright and asked him if he would tell mee who stole the Goods out of my howse and hee told mee Thomas Hooton stole the Goods and bad me tell him it was his best way to bring the Goods to sight or else he would Cause him to be laid in the sherriffs handes and further saith not

The deposition of Jasper Allen aged 24 or thereabouts sworne saith

That being att the howse of Thomas Paggetts w<sup>th</sup> Richard ffountaine Demetrius Cartwright came in and asked Richard ffountaine if he heard any thinge of the Goods and fountaine said yes but not of the party yo<sup>w</sup> told mee on, but of another Boy then Cartwright said that they were Conueyed to him and further sayth not

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Demetrius Cartwright }  
Vppon the appeale } p<sup>it</sup>: } The said Thomas Hooton not appearing, the said Cartwright desires  
Thomas Hooton defendant } a dismission from the Cause and  
accōn w<sup>th</sup> Cost of suite, Which by the Board was allow'd.

Demetrius Cartwrights bill of Charge against Thomas Hooton— [p. 162]

Att the Prouinciall Court 6 dayes..... 180<sup>th</sup> tob:  
for Attorneys ffees ..... 60  
To the Clarke of the Court here..... 80

Ordered ..... 320