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At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 17th day of March 1825 in pursuance of an Act of Assembly entitled "An act to explain and amend an act reducing into one the several acts concerning forcible entries and detainers passed the 12th of February 1824—

Present. Peter Booth and Silas Sumnerell. Justs.

Arthur Williamson

against

Edward Lundy

of a certain tenement containing by estimation 119 ¹/₄ acres of land with the appurtenances &c.

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Def^t

Upon a return to
recovery the possession.

This day came the plaintiff by his attorney and presented to the Court his complaint of unlawful detainer against the defendant together with the affidavit thereto written, and the warrant issued upon the said complaint, and the return made on the said warrant, whereupon came also the defendant by his attorney, and it appearing that the said warrant hath been duly executed according to the provisions of the Act of Assembly and that Benjamin Devaney, Sumner Book Samuel B. Lewis and William Briggs four Justices of the Peace for this County have been duly notified as by the said Act required, and also that eighteen good and lawful freeholders have been summoned as by the said Act required. It is ordered that a jury of twelve be selected by lot from the said freeholders, whereupon the following jury were selected by lot to wit Thomas C. Holladay, John Womack, Norvington Ellis, John T. Richardson, Thomas Moore, Wells Murfee, George Whitfield, Samuel Barkham, Matthias Williams, John T. Laughlin, Bruton Bryant, and Nathan Pope, being charged as by the aforesaid Act of Assembly is required, returned a verdict in the following words to wit: "We the jury find that the defendant did at the time of the exhibition of the complaint filed in this cause hold possession of the tenement therein mentioned against the consent of the plaintiff, that the said defendant hath not so held possession thereof against the consent of the plaintiff for three years next before the exhibition of the said complaint and that the plaintiff hath the right of possession in the tenement aforesaid."

Therefore it is considered by the Court that the plaintiff recover against the defendant possession of the tenement aforesaid, and his costs by him in that behalf expended. And the said defendant may be taken &c.

Whereupon the plaintiff prays a writ to the Sheriff of this County to be directed to cause him to have his possession of the tenement aforesaid, and to him it is granted returnable here &c.

The foregoing proceedings were signed by Silas Sumnerell & Peter Booth
Justice, James Rochelle Clk

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