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1769**

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Yorkshire, towit, The Jurors for our Lord the King upon their Oath present that John Parke late of the Parish of Grinton in the County of York Hosier Ralph Parke late of the same Parish Hosier James Stoddard late of Reeth in the same Parish Miner Job Slack late of the same Parish Yeoman, James Chapman late of the same Parish Yeoman Joseph Scott the Younger late of the same Parish Yeoman James Allen late of the same Parish Yeoman John Chapman late of the same Parish Yeoman John Coates late of the same Parish Yeoman Christopher Chapman late of the same Parish Yeoman Charles Dent late of the same Parish Yeoman James Barker the Elder late of the same Parish Yeoman Adam Thwaites late of the same Parish Yeoman Thomas Bradbury late of the same Parish Yeoman Robert Roberts late of the same Parish Yeoman Ralph Harker the Younger late of the same Parish Yeoman Thomas Roberts late of the same Parish Yeoman John Nicholson late of the same Parish Yeoman Simon Raw late of the same Parish Yeoman Thomas Raw late of the same Parish Yeoman Joseph Stoddart late of the same Parish Yeoman otherwise Joeseph Stoddart late of the same Parish Taylor James Stoddart late of Crackpott in the same Parish Yeoman John Rowlands late of the same Parish Yeoman James Harker late of Springend in the same Parish Yeoman John Cottingham late of the same Parish Yeoman otherwise John Cottingham late of the same Parish Butcher Thomas Metcalfe late of the same Parish Yeoman Robert Buckle late of the same Parish Blacksmith James Woodward late of the same Parish Yeoman Thomas Chapman late of the same Parish Yeoman Thomas Coates late of the same Parish Yeoman Garth Broderick late of the same Parish Yeoman Micheal Bell late of

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Feetham in the same Parish Yeoman John Spenceley late of Blaydes in the same Parish Yeoman John Clarkson late of the same Parish Yeoman Joseph Clarkson late of the same Parish Yeoman John Metcalfe late of Buthouse in the same Parish Yeoman George Pratt late of the same Parish Yeoman Johnas Bell late of the same Parish Miller Thomas Metcalfe the Elder late of the same Parish Smelter otherwise Thomas Metcalfe the Elder late of the same Parish Yeoman George Calvert late of the same Parish Yeoman James Barker late of Rash in the same Parish Yeoman Christopher Harker late of the same Parish Isaia Hunt late of the same Parish Yeoman William Clarkson late of the same Parish Yeoman, William Metcalfe late of the same Parish Yeoman Thomas Hancock late of the same Parish Yeoman John Hancock late of the same Parish Yeoman George White late of' the same Parish Yeoman James

White late of the same Parish Yeoman Christopher Alderson late of the same Parish Yeoman and Simon Alderson late of the same Parish Yeoman together with divers other Persons to the Number of Three Hundred and more to the Jurors aforesaid as yet unknown being Riotors and Disturbers of the Peace of our said Lord the King on the Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third King of Great Britain and so forth with Force and Arms that is to say with Clubs; Sticks Staves and other offensive Weapons at Hall Moor in the Parish of Grinton in the County aforesaid unlawfully riotously and routously did assemble and meet together to Disturb the Peace of our said Lord the King and being so then and there assembled and met together did then and there unlawfully and routously remain and continue armed as aforesaid in a tumultuous manner for a long space of Time to wit for the space of Six Hours and so being then and there assembled and met together in and upon William I'Anson Gentelman being in the Peace of God and our said Lord the King then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did make an assault and did then and there unlawfully riotously and routously beet wound and illtreat him the said William I'Anson and did then and there with great Force and Violence throw him the said William I'Anson into a certain place there Nine Yards deep called a Hush Gutter and other Wrongs to him the said William I'Anson then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did to the great Damage and Hurt of him the said William I'Anson and against the Peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity –

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further present that the aforesaid John Parke Ralph Parke, James Stoddart late of Reeth aforesaid Job Slack James Chapman Joseph Scott the Younger James Allen John Chapman John Coates Christopher Chapman Charles Dent James Harker the Elder Adam Thwaites Thomas Bradbury Robert Roberts Ralph Harker the Younger Thomas Roberts John Nicholson Simon Raw Thomas Raw Joseph Stoddart James Stoddart late of Crackpot John Rowlands James Barker late of Springend John Cottingham Thomas Metcalfe Robert Buckle James Woodward, Thomas Chapman Thomas Coates Garth

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Broderick Michael Bell late of Feetham John Spenceley late of Blades John Clarkson Joseph Clarkson John Metcalfe late of Buthouse George Pratt Johnas Bell Thomas Metcalfe the Elder George Calvert James Barker late of Rash Christopher Barker Isaiah Hunt William Metcalfe Thomas Hancock John Hancock George White James White Christopher Alderson and Simon Alderson together with divers other persons to “the Number of Three Hundred and more to the Jurors aforesaid as yet unknown being Riotous Routers and Disturbers of the Peace of our said Lord the King on the said Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year aforesaid with Force and Arms that is to say with Clubs Sticks and other offensive Weapons at Hall Moor in the Parish of Grinton aforesaid unlawfully riotously and routously did assemble and meet

together to Disturb the Peace of our said Lord the King and being so then and there assembled and met together did then and there with Forces and Arms that is to say with Clubs Sticks Staves and other offensive Weapons at Ball Moor in the Parish of Grinton aforesaid in the County aforesaid in and upon William I'Anson Gentleman in the Peace of God and our said Lord the King then and there did make an Assault and him the said William I'Anson then and there did beat wound and illtreat so that his Life it was greatly Dispaired and other Wrongs to the said William I'Anson then and there did to the great Damage and hurt of him the said William I'Anson and against the peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity.

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further present that the aforesaid John Parke Ralph Park James Stoddart of Reeth aforesaid Job Slack James Chapman Joseph Stott the Younger James Allen John Chapman John Coates Christopher Chapman Charles Dent James Barker the Elder Adam Thwaites Thomas Bradbury Robert Roberts Ralph Barker the Younger, Thomas Roberts John Nicholson Simon Raw Thomas Raw Joseph Stoddart James Stoddart of Crackpot aforesaid John Rowlands James Barker of Springend aforesaid John Cottingham Thomas Metcalfe Robert Buckle James Woodward Thomas Chapman Thomas Coates Garth Broderick Michael Bell of Feetham aforesaid John Spenceley of Blades aforesaid George Pratt James Bell Thomas Metcalfe the Elder George Calvert James Barker of Rash aforesaid Christopher Barker Isaiah Hunt William Clarkson Thomas Hancock John Hancock George White James White Christopher Alderson and Simon Alderson together with Divers other Persons to the Number of Three Hundred and upwards to the Jurors aforesaid as yet unknown being Rioters Routers and Disturbers of the Peace of our said Lord the King on the said Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year aforesaid with Force and Arms that is to say with Clubs Sticks staves and other Offensive Weapons at Hall Moor in the Parish of Grinton aforesaid in the County aforesaid did unlawfully riotously and routously assemble and meet together to disturb the Peace of our said Lord the King and being so assembled and met together then and there in and upon John Metcalfe Gentleman in the Peace of God and our said Lord the King and there being unlawfully riotously and routously

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did make an assault and did then and there unlawfully riotously and routously beat wound and ill treat him the said John Metcalfe so that of his Life it was greatly Despaired and other Wrongs to him the said John Metcalfe then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did to the great Damage and Hurt of the said John Metcalfe and against the Peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity. –

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further present that the aforesaid John Parke Ralph Parke James Stoddart of Reeth aforesaid Job Slack James Chapman Joseph Scott the Younger James Allen John Chapman

John Coates Christopher Chapman Charles Dent James Barker the Elader Adam Thwaites Thomas Bradbury Robert Roberts Ralph Harker the Younger Thomas Roberts John Nicholson Simon Raw Thomas Raw Joseph Stoddart James Stoddart of Crackpot aforesaid John Rowlands James Harker of Springend aforesaid Cohn Cottingham Thomas Metcalfe Robert. Buckle James Woodward Thomas Chapman Thomas Coates Garth Roderick Michael Bell of Feetham aforesaid John Spenceley of Blades aforesaid John Clarkson John Metcalfe of Burhouse aforesaid George Pratt James Bell Thomas Metcalfe the Elder George Calvert James Barker late of Rash aforesaid Christopher Barker Isaiah Hunt William Clarkson William Metcalfe Thomas Hancock John Hancock George White James White Christopher Alderson and Simon Alderson together with divers other Persons to the Jurors aforesaid as yet unknown being Rioters Routers and Disturbers of the Peace of our Lord the King on the Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year aforesaid with Force and Arms that is to say With Clubs Sticks Staves and other offensive Weapons at the Parish of Grinton aforesaid in the County aforesaid did unlawfully riotously and routously assemble and meet together to disturb the Peace of our said Lord the King and being so assembeld and met together than and there in and upon Antony Metcalfe Gentleman in the Peace of God and said Lord the King then and there being unlawfully riotously and routously did make an assault and did then and there unlawfully riotously and routously beat wound and ill treat him the said· Antony Metcalfe so that his Life it was greatly Despaired and other Wrongs to him the said Antony Metcalfe then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did to the great Damage and hurt of him the said Antony Metcalfe and against the Peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity. -

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further present that the aforesaid John Parke Ralph Parke James Stoddart of Reeth aforesaid Job Slack James Chapman Joseph Scott the Younger James Allan John Chapman John Coates Christopher Chapman Charles Dent James Barker the Elder., Adam Thwaites Thomas Bradbury Robert Roberts Ralph Barker the Younger Thomas Roberts John Nicholson Simon Raw Thomas Raw Joseph Stoddart James Stoddart late of Crackpot John Rowlands James Barker of Springend aforesaid John Cottingham Thomas Metcalfe Robert Buckle James Woodward Thomas Chapman Thomas Coates Garth Broderick

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Michael Bell of Feetham aforesaid John Spenceley of Blades aforesaid John Clarkson Joseph Clarkson John Metcalfe of Burhouse aforesaid George Pratt James Bell Thomas Metcalfe the Elder George Calvert James Harker of Rash aforesaid Christopher Harker Isaiah Hunt William Clarkson William Metcalfe Thomas Hancock John Hancock George White James White Christopher Alderson and Simon Alderson and Divers other Persons to the Jurors aforesaid as yet unknown being Rioters Routers and Disturbers of the Peace of our said Lord the King on the said Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year

aforesaid with Force and Arms that is to say with Clubs Sticks staves and other offensive Weapons at Hall Moor in the Parish of Grinton aforesaid in the County aforesaid unlawfully riotously and routously did assemble and meet together to disturb the Peace of our said Lord the King and being so then and there assembled and met together in and upon Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson then and there being in the Peace of God and our said Lord the King then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did make an assault and ill treat them the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson and did then and there with great Force and Violence throw the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson into a certain place there Nine Yards Deep called a Hush Gutter and other Wrongs to them the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did to the great Damage and hurt of them the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson and against the peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity. -

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further present that the aforesaid Job Slack Thomas Chapman James Allen and Joseph Scott the Younger and divers other Persons to the Jurors aforesaid as yet unknown being Riotors Routers and Disturbers of the peace of our said Lord the King on the said Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year aforesaid with Force and Arms that is to say with Clubs Sticks Staves and other offensive Weapons at Hall Moor in the Parish of Grinton aforesaid in the County aforesaid unlawfully riotously and routously did assemble and meet together to disturb the Peace of our said Lord the King and being so assembled and met together did then and there unlawfully riotously and routously make an assault upon Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson then and there digging in a Shaft for Lead Ore and did then and there unlawfully riotously and routously with great Violence pull the said Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson out of the said Shaft by the Hair of their Heads their Arms and Cloaths and did then and there with great Force and Violence throw the said Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson into the said Place there Nine Yards deep called a Hush Gutter

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whereley the said Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson were greatly hurt wounded and bruised so that of their Lives it was greatly despaired and other Wrongs to them the said Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson then and there unlawfully riotously and routously did to their great Damage and Hurt and against the Peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity. -

And the Jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do further Present that the aforesaid Job Slack Thomas Chapman James Allan and Joseph Scott the Younger on the said Sixth Day of June in the Ninth Year aforesaid with Force and Arms at the Parish of Grinton aforesaid in the County aforesaid in and upon Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson in the Peace of God and our said Lord the King then and there did make an assault and throw the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson then and there did beat wound and ill treat and other Wrongs to them the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson and there did great Damage and Hurt of them the said Robert Shaw Thomas Waller Samuel Metcalfe James Metcalfe William Metcalfe and Ralph Nelson and against the Peace of our said Lord the King his Crown and Dignity. -

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