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**Content of cause:**

This day comes the plaintiff into open Court and declares that he intends not further prosecuting his suit and thereupon assumes the payment of cost. It is therefore considered by the Court that the Defendant go hence thereof without day and recover against the plaintiff his cost by him [indecipherable words; probably meaning *without hindrance*] in this behalf expended.

**Comment:** *Trespass* is an unlawful interference with one's person, property, or rights. —*Black's Law Dictionary*, Fifth Edition (1979), 1347

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