

Payment of Rent to L^d Baltimore or Taxes under his Government, though this is a Matter I wont assert, but have given Directions to one of the Worcester Magistrates next Adjacent to make Diligent enquiry, and if found true to take proper Depositions and send them to me in order to be Transmitted to your Excellency: Lib. J. R.
& U. S.

This Sir you may observe from the Deposition of John Pollock, that the place where Willie lived, and the Murder committed was Surveyed by one William Shanklin Surveyor of Sussex about five years ago, and by the Whole Scope of the Depositions, is within the Ancient reputed Boundaries of Maryland. p. 281

There are two persons to wit, John Sharpe and one Pennington Welch who seem highly criminal in this matter who are said to be Likewise retired into Sussex County for Protection, therefore it is to no purpose here to Issue process against them, but presume when Instances are made for Delivery up of Willey the Like will be also made for the other two and by the best Intelligence I can gain Willie is so Carelessly confined that he may make his Escape without Difficulty.

Upon the whole those Borders seem in a very disturbed Scituation and it would greatly contribute to the peace and quiet of both Governments if their Limits were well Settled but in the mean time the ancient reputed Ones ought to be Submitted to.

Somerset County March 27. 1759. I am with all due Regard.
To his Excellency, the Governor Your Excellencys faithfull
of Maryland. and most obed^t Humble Serv^t
Rob^t Jenkins Henry

Somerset County Feb. 19th 1759.

Sir

A day or two past I have received certain Intelligence that one William Outten Sub Sheriff to Major Benjamin Handy Sheriff of Worcester County in the Execution of his Office has been Lately killed by one John Willy who has fled into the County of Sussex, and delivered himself up there, in order to be protected from the just Inquiry and Punishment that so great an offence Demands in every civilized State & even in the Case of Borderers, such savage Barbarities ought to be Discouraged by the Civil Magistrate, and meet the Detestation of every person not void of common Humanity; and for as much as I am informed that the above Fact has been committed within the Reputed Bonds and Limits of Worcester County and of consequence properly and legally to be