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Queen Anns County towit At a County Court of the Right Honourable Henry Harford Esq. Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland held for the said County at the Court House in Queens Town in the said County on the fourth Tuesday of August in the third Year of his Lordships Dominion and so forth and in the Year of our Lord Christ one Thousand seven hundred and seventy four before his Lordships Justices of the Peace of the said County authorized to hold the same Court of whom were present

The Worshipful Mr. John Brown, Benjamin Gould, Christo. Cross Routh, Thomas Wright, Turbutt Wright, Thomas Ringgold, John Thompson & Vachel Downes

ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

The Lord Proprietary against Negroe Jack — Queen Anns towit Be it remembered that upon the Oath of Vinson Benton Thomas Emory (Sefarthur) Solomon Wright (Junior) John Vanderford (Junior) William Ferroll John Johnson Richard Gould John Fogwell Tristram Thomas David Linsey Alexander Toalson Francis Bright Jones Goodhand James Duhamell William Willcox Robert Taite and John Legg (Junior) good and lawful Men of the County aſd then and there sworn and charged to inquire for the said Lord Proprietary for the Body of the said County it is presented in Manner and Form as followeth that is to say Queen Anns County to wit The Jurors for the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary that now is for the Body of Queen Anns County aſd upon their Oath do present that Negro Jack late of Queen Anns County aſd Laborer the Slave of a certain James Bordley of the same County on the twenty first Day of May in the Year seventeen Hundred and seventy four at Queen Anns County aſd and within the Jurisdiction of this Court with Force and Arms and so forth the Store-House of a certain William Robinson (not being contiguous to or used with any Mansion House) feloniously did break and enter and fifteen English half Pennies commonly called Coppers of the Value of one Shilling current Money four Silk Handkerchiefs of the Value of five Shillings current Money each of the said Handkerchiefs two Pair of worsted Stockings of the Value of two Shillings current Money each Pair of the said Stockings and two Yards of Ribbon of the Value of one Shilling current Money each Yard of the said Ribbon of the Goods and Chattels of the said William Robinson then and there in the said Storehouse being found then and there feloniously did steal take and bear away against the Peace of the said

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Lord Proprietary his good Rule and Government and contrary to the Forme
the Act of Assembly in such Case made and provided and soforth —
And thereupon the said Negro Jack being brought to the Barr here in his
proper Person under the Custody of Philemon Downes Esq. Sheriff of the
said County to whose Custody for the Cause aforesd he was before committed
and asked in what Manner he would be acquitted of and concerning
the Premisses in the Indictment aforesd above specified and charged on
him The said Negroe Jack saith that he is not guilty thereof and for
Good and Ill doth put himself upon his Country Whereupon it is
commanded that the Sheriff of Queen Annes County aforesd cause to come here
before the Justices aforesd immediately a Jury by whom &c who are neither
and soforth to recognize upon their Oath whether the said Negroe Jack be
guilty of the Premisses in the Indictment aforesd above on him charged or not
And the Jurors of the said Jury by the said Sheriff to this Matter impannelled
and returned towit William Kent Abner Dudley John Peters Arthur —
Emory Junr. Christopher Thomas John Walters Benjamin Chaires
William Carradine Benjamin Walters Samuel Roe Richard Hynson
and John Rigby being called come who being elected tried and sworn
the Truth to speak of and concerning the Premisses aforesd and having heard
the Evidence upon their Oath do say that the said Negroe Jack is guilty
of the Premisses aforesd in the Indictment aforesd above specified in Manner and
Form as by the said Indictment above thereof against him is supposed
And upon this it is required by the Court here of the said Negroe Jack
if he hath or knows any Thing to say for himself why the Court here ought
not to proceed to Judgment and Execution against him upon the Verdict
aforesd who says Nothing more than what at first he had said Whereupon
all and singular the Premisses being seen and by the Court here understood
It is considered by the Court here that the said Negroe Jack be carried
from the Barr here to the Place from whence he came and from thence
to the Place of Execution and be there hanged by the Neck until he be
dead. The Court valued the said Negroe Jack to eighty Pounds —
current Money of Maryland

In Testimony that the aforegoing is the Tenor of the Proceeding of Queen Anns County Court on the Indictment aſt against Negroe Jack inrolled I have hereto set my Hand and Seal of Office this fifth Day of September seventeen Hundred and seventy four

R Tilghman Clk of Q Anns Court