

following then and there did speak utter publish and rehearse (that is to say) what deull need you (the said Mackensey meaning) trouble yourselfe with land there is never a Papist in Maryland will have a foote of Land within this foure months and that the Sinique Indians would doe you (the said Mackensey meaning) noe good for he (the said John Coode meaning) had tenn thousand men at command when he (the same John Coode meaning) pleased and that he (the said John Coode likewise meaning) could make it high water (meaning a disturbance in the Province) when he (the same John Coode meaning) pleased and that the said John Coode of his further malicious Contriuance Practice and attempts as aforesaid the tenth day of July in the yeare aforesaid having communication with one Samuel Dobson of the same County Planter of and concerning the Murder of one Thomas Potter and other persons then lately by supposed Indians unknown murdered at or near a certaine place called Point lookout in the said County of s^t Maryes in the Province aforesaid he the same Samuel Dobson alledging that the said Potter and his Companions were murdered as he the said Samuel Dobson then thought by Indians the said John Coode did thereupon of his further Malice mutinously and seditiously reply then and there these other mutinous and seditious English words following in the hearing of diuers good people of this Province and the same did falsely and maliciously speak utter publish and ascert (that is to say) noe they were (the said Potter and his Companions meaning) not murdered by Indians but were murdered by Christians to the great disturbance of the Peace &c: and against the form of the act of Assembly in this case made and prouided.

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On the Backside of the afoegoeing Presentment was by the Grand Inquest Endorsed
Billa Vera.

Vpon which Presentment the aforesaid John Coode was Indicted upon his Indictment arraigned and upon his Arraignment Pleaded Not Guilty and for his Tryall putt himselfe upon God and the Country and Thomas Burford Attorney Generall for the said Lord Prop^{ty} Likewise therefore it is commanded the Sheriff of s^t Maryes County that he cause to come here twelve &c^a Now here at this Day to witt the sixteenth Day of November in the sixth yeare of the Dominion of the R^t honn^{ble} Charles Lord Baltemore &c: Anno Dom: 1681. Came the said Thomas Burford Attorney Generall for the said Lord Prop^{ty} and the said John Coode was sett to the Barr and the Jurors impannelled being called likewise came (to witt) Philip Lynes Anthony Dawson, John Richardson William Hill, John Evans William Steeuens William Mishew William Smith Rhoderick