

hath been formerly Soe far deceived in him as to place him here in the Seat of Judicature, which by his Scandalous course of life and gross heinous offences, he hath extreamly abused, Whereas he ought (especially Soe placed) to have given good example to others and to imploy that Talent and those abilities of witt and understanding (which almighty God hath indeed in a large measure bestowed on him) to his glory and the publick good, But by Common experience it is apparent, that the chiefest use he hath made thereof hath been to colour over his Villanous Courses, and to mock and deride all Religion and Civill Government, As the Court may (in part) take notice by the particulars of his Charge being as followeth Viz^t

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The Charge of the Lord Proprietary's Attorney by way of Indictment against Cap^t William Mitchell in the name of the Keepers of the Liberties of England by Authority of Parliam^t ffirst That by his expressions as well as practice as will as I conceive) appear by prooffe) he hath not only professed himself to be an Atheist, but hath also endeavoured to draw others to believe there is noe God, making a Common practice by blasphemous expressions and otherwise to mock and deride God's Ordinances, and all Religion, thereby to open a way to all wicked lustfull licentious and prophane Courses.

Secondly:—That he hath Comitted Adultery with one Susan Warren

Thirdly—That he hath Murtherously endeavoured to destroy or Murther the Child by him begotten in the Womb of the Said Susan Warren And is much Suspected (if not known) to have brought his late wife to an untimely end in her late Voyage hitherward by Sea.

ffourthly—That (as I conceive will appear by prooffe) he hath Since his late wife's death lived in fornication with his now pretended wife Joane :

And for these and other grosse Crimes and Misdemeanors (Sufficiently I conceive) appearing by prooffe, My humble request is that the prisoner may be brought to his Answer, and upon a Speedy tryall may receive punishment according to Justice to God's glory and discharge of the Government in that particular :

To which Charge the Said Cap^t Mitchell the prisoner by his Answer pleading not Guilty made Choice to be tryed by a Jury Whereupon these persons following were warned to be of the Grand Jury for the tryall viz^t—M^r Cornelius LLoyd the fforeman M^r Edward LLoyd Cap^t William Fuller M^r Robert Clark M^r Thomas Marsh, Cap^t John Barriff M^r ffrancis LLoyd, M^r Thomas Daynes, M^r W^m Nugent Lieut^t William Lewis M^r Henry Hooper and M^r Thomas Hinson who being all particu-

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