

The Deposition of John Wheatley aged about 49<sup>ty</sup> Liber B.  
yeares Sworne & Examined this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill  
Anno Dni 1654 Saith.

That about twelve years Since this Deponent and one Thomas Harrison Came together in the Same Ship into this Province with Thomas Cornwallies Esq out of England he the Said Harrison being Covenant or Apprentice Servant to the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallies at his arrivall here in this Province of Maryland and upon the Voyage professed himself to be a Cooper, but after his arrivall here did not appeare So to be for ought this Deponent Ever heard, And that for the first year he was hired out to one Randoll Reveñ a Cooper and at the Expiration of that year returned to the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallies Service, where he remained till he the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallis returned for England, and was by him left in the Charge and Custody of m<sup>r</sup> Cuthbt ffenwick together with the rest of his Servants, where he remained untill the arrivall of Richard Ingle Marriner in this Province in or about ffebruary Ao 1644 at or about which time the Said Harrison (as appeared) departed from the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallies his Service and was Entertained by the Said Ingle aboard his Ship, this Depon<sup>t</sup> being then and there detained as prisoner, And this Deponent hath been Credibly informed that the Said Harrison did Ioyne P. 582 With the Said Ingle and his Complices in the plundering of his Said Masters house, And this Deponent further Saith that he Never knew nor heard that the Said Harrison ever after returned to the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallies his Service, or Ever after offered his Service either to him the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallis or to the Said m<sup>r</sup> Cuthbert ffenwick his Attorney, neither did he this deponent ever know or heard that the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallies or m<sup>r</sup> ffenwick ever gave him the Said Harrison any leave to depart from his Said Service, This Deponent at the time of the Said plunder and before living at the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallies his house, being then or before his Covenant Servant, And this Depon<sup>t</sup> believeth that the Said Harrison upon his first arrivall here was to be Servant to the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallis for the term of five Years for that not long after his the Said Cap<sup>t</sup> Cornwallis Said Departure for England, the Said Harrison in this Depon<sup>ts</sup> hearing Seemed to be much troubled for that (as he Said) the Said m<sup>r</sup> ffenwick had told him that he Came in a Servant for five years, when he thought that his time had been but for four Years, All which herein before Expressed or the Same in Effect this Depon<sup>t</sup> averreth upon his oath to be true, And further Saith Not.

Jurat die & Anno Supra dict Coram Nob: William Stone  
Tho: Hatton