

found Dead in a Small Creek near the Dwelling house of the Said Dandy in or about the 7th of Iuly last, for the more diligent enquiry thereunto, and for the Examination of Divers Wittnesses Concerning the Death of the Said Gouge, We Richard Preston and William Ewens two of his highness Commissioners for this Province of Maryland, have taken the Examination of those as followeth viz.

Liber B.
No. 3.

William Wood aged 20 yeares or thereabout Sworne and Examined Sayth, That being at the mill of Iohn Dandies about a month Since, to have Some Corne Ground where this Deponent Stayed all night, the next morning about Sun rising, Comeing from the Mill with a Canoe down the Creeke; about a quarter of a mile from the mill this Deponent Saith that he found a Servant of Iohn Dandies naked and Dead in the Creeke, Whereupon this Depon^t Sayth, that he tyed to one of his Armes a Line and towed him ashore and went back to the Mill, and tould Iohn Dandy that he had found his man Dead in the Creeke, Whereupon the Said Dandy with one Robert Cole and two men more, went to the place where this Deponent had towed the Corps ashore, and when the Said Dandy did See the Corps; he the Said Dandy Said that he Should Come into a great Deale of trouble about this Boy and farther this Deponent Saith not

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Signum
William W Wood

This Deposition taken th^e 6 of August 1657 before us Richard Preston
William Ewens

We whose hands have underwritten being desired by Iohn Dandy to Come to view the body of his Servant called Henry Gouge being found Dead in the Creeke naked, his Cloathes not found for the present, finding nothing about him, whereby the Said Dandy may be Called in question, for any blow or bruise, but only Some Small Signes, of Some Small Switch or rod, and that not newly done. And upon the Examination of the Said Dandy his maid Servant, Said that She did hear about ten or Eleven of the Clock the Boy Darbey Say to her that his master was beating of Harry, and She did hear at that Very time one Crey out O Lord! But She Cannot tell whether it was Harry or no. And upon the Examination of one Darby Canneday Said that he heard the man Cry out divers times O Lord! and that his master went that way but a Little before, This we are able to make oath upon before any Magistrate as Wittness our hands this 7th of Iuly 1657

Will: Thomson	Robert Cole
Anthony I Webb	Richard ffurbear
Tho: Carpenter	John I H Howerd
Nich: S Oliver	John Iarbo
Robert RS Shelle	