

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the Lib. J. R.
Report of the Justices of the Provincial Court relating to & U. S.
James Horner for a Rape which is as follows

May it please your Excellency

We the Justices of the Provincial Court do humbly Represent to your Excellency That James Horner of Dorchester County Labourer has been Indicted Tried and Convicted for a Rape committed by him on one Mary Ann Satchell a Girl of about fourteen years Old and Sentence of Death has been pronounced against him this present Court. We are sorry that there did not appear one favourable Circumstance in the Course of his Tryal to induce us to Recommend him to your Excellency for Mercy

We are with the highest Respect
Your Excellency's most Obedient & most humble Servants
Jn^o Brice, Rob^t Jenkins Henry, Geo: Steuart
April 17th 1760.

Which being Read and Considered of It is the humble Advice of this Board, that his Excellency be pleased to order Dead Warrant for his Execution on Friday the Second Day of May next.

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Thursday the 22^d Day of May in the Tenth year of his Lordships Dominion &c: Annoque Domini 1760.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor.

The Honourable Benjamin Tasker Esq^r Daniel Dulany Esq^r Stephen Bordley Esq^r

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter received from Governor Pownall relative to the Fire at Boston.

Boston 24 March 1760.

Sir

On the twentieth Instant a Fire broke out in the Town of Boston which raged in such a manner as to elude all Means for Suppressing the same untill it had (according to the best Information that can be obtained in the present Confusion) destroyed one hundred and seventy four dwelling Houses and as many Warehouses Shops and other Buildings which with the Furniture and Goods therein amount at a Moderate Computation to one hundred thousand Pounds