

the aforesaid William Garner while on his Death Bed and that she asked him said Garner whether he thought the aforesaid Women had any hand in Murdering of him, he answered he believed they had not. The Deponent saith that three different times she put the aforesaid Question and received the same Answer, And further saith not.

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Catharine X Burges
Cha^s County ss Taken 15th day March 1766. Mark
Jn^o Dent.

Lib. J. R.
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Ordered that Pardon issue for Negro Sue, which issued accordingly, and that the further Consideration of Jack's Case be put off until the next Meeting.

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter and Deposition relating to the Murder of a Mohock Indian

Philadelphia 11th March 1766.

Sir

I lately received Information that one of the Six Nation Indians returning from the Cherokee Country was Murdered on the 11th of January last on the Road between Fort Cumberland and Fort Bedford within this Province. I intended to have issued a Proclamation offering a Reward for discovering and apprehending the Murderer but finding by the Examination of Cap^t Lemuel Barritt who lives near the place where the said Indian was found, that there is great Reason to believe the murder was Committed by one Samuel Jacobs, who is said to have fled into the back parts of Virginia or Maryland, I think it most adviseable to defer my Proclamation till I have first tried every other means in my Power to secure the Offender.

I take the Liberty of enclosing you Cap^t Barritt's Deposition and description of Jacobs' Person, at the same time requesting you will cause Strict search to be made for him throughout your Province, as you must be sensible of the ill Consequences that will ensue if all necessary Steps are not pursued in order to bring to Justice this Lawless Villain, as well to convince the Indians of our good Intentions towards them, as to deter others from the same Conduct, which if We cannot fall upon some means of putting a Stop to, We may reasonably expect to be again involved in the Miseries of another Indian War.

I shall make S^r William Johnson acquainted with this unhappy affair and the Measures taken to give our Friends the Six Nations all the Satisfaction in our Power, that he may represent the matter in a proper light to them, so as to prevent