

The Examinaõn of John Williams apprehended upon suspition of ffelony taken before Philip Caluert Esq^r & Richard Willan gentⁿ Two of his L^{ps} Justices of the Peace for the County of S^t Maries this first day of Nouemb^r 1658 This Exam^d confesseth that hee knew his Wife Mary Williams had taken some things of M^r Symon Ouerzees, but th^t hee neuer knew what p^ticular things they were, And th^t hee bid her haue a care th^t shee medled not wth any thing of the s^d Ouerzees, for hee would come to know of it. That Andrew Warners Wife did bring him some things in a Pillow-beere to the Church as from his owne Wife Mary Williams, from whence she desyred him the s^d Williams to carry them to her husbands howse att S^t Hieroms; w^{ch} hee did, & th^t he did thinke that there were some goods in th^t pillow beere, th^t were none of his owne, & did belong to M^r Ouerzee, but the p^ticulars he knew not. That for those things w^{ch} were deliuered to M^r Ouerzee (by his Wife) att M^r Ouerzees owne howse hee neuer knew th^t his wife had any such in her possesⁿ. That the reason why hee did not discouer his Wifes theft to M^r Ouerzee was because hee thought M^r Ouerzee would not haue missed them. That Two little Children the One called William Smith, the other Sara Hayes did find a Bagge or Blew-streaked Pillow beere in a hollow Tree, w^{ch} he this Exam^d had hid there, & after carryed to Andrew Warners uppou the Childrens discouery of the bagge, That this bagge was deliuered to him by his Wife, & th^t hee did beleieue th^t his Wife had stolne them from M^r Ouerzee, but th^t w^{ch} way shee had gotten them from M^r Ouerzee hee neuer did know. That his Wife told him th^t Mary Clocker had carryed some things home of M^r Ouerzees w^{ch} hee did beleieue were stolne allso. And th^t hee & his Wife went to Mary Clockers afterward, & th^t then Mary Clocker opened a Bundle of Linnen w^{ch} they then shared betweene them, but th^t they remoued nothing fro^m. Mary Clockers howse att th^t time. That going againe to Mary Clockers shee complained of want of salt, & th^t shee promised this Exam^d two or three cheeses to gett her a little salt. Whereuppon this Exam^d promised to lett her haue some of M^{rs} Ouerzees Salt: & the s^d Clocker sayd shee would send her husband for it, because shee durst not trust her sonne Thomas Courtney. Yett notwthstanding she did send her sonne Thomas Courtney, to whom Mary this Exam^{es} Wife did deliuer about halfe a Bushell of Salt, lapd in a peice of a Greene Blankett, w^{ch} salt was M^{rs} Ouerzees, That shee deliuered this salt to Courtney iust about shutting in of Day light; & hee this Exam^d helped the s^d Courtney to tye it up. That the Dore hath noe Latch, but only a Lock, & th^t unlesse it bee locked it will fly open

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The Examinaõn of Mary the Wife of John Williams taken before, ut supra.