

Liber B B ffincher declared to the dutchman & the dutchman to us, and further
Saith not— William Gunnells m̄ke

[p. 376] Lawrence Organ aged 35 yeares or thereabouts sworne In Court
deposeth as followeth

This Depon^t saw Joseph ffincher beate his serut^t wth his hand &
kickt him wth his feete and likewise saw the said ffinchers serut^t
nostrills of his nose bloody in the house where he was dead & further
saith not Lawrence L O Organs m̄ke

Thomas Miles aged 45 yeares or thereabouts sworne in Court de-
poseth as followeth

This Deponant being in the feild saw Joseph ffincher loading of
plants upon his man he being not able to carry them fell downe plants
and all, and Joseph ffincher loaded his maid, soe when she was gone
he ran to the fellow and fell a beating of him kicking of him and
cuffing of him saying can yo^w neither carry plants nor walke turn'd
him home, his wife meeting of him turn'd him back againe till he
came to the tobacco howse or thereabouts there the fellow would goe
noe further but fell downe, she call'd to her husband and told him the
fellow would not walke, he the said ffincher throwing downe the said
plants that was in his armes and runn up to the tobacco howse and
tooke up a stick and gaue him foure or fiue blowes and kickt him and
Cufft him againe then about the 2^d or 3^d hour of the day this depon^t
being in the feilde wth his people heard a greate noise in the tobacco
howse like the Clattering of sticks and crying gett up gett up why
doe yo^w not gett up, soe p^rsently after this depon^t saw the wench
running home and after her Thomas Whyniard, seeing these thinges
this dep^t pondering in his minde what was the matter and it rise in
his hart that the fellow was dead p^rsently this depon^t called to Law-
rence Organ and told him what he thought who answered yo^r dep^t
Come let's goe and see, soe when we came to the tobacco howse dore
Wee saw the fellow upon the ground leaning ags^t his M^{rs} knee he
being bloody about the nose this depo^{nt} askt Joseph ffincher how it
came who answered this dep^t that he fell downe ags^t the tobacco
sticks and further this dep^t saith not Tho Miles

Vera Copia Teste me Theo: Lewys Clef: Coñ Ann Arundell—

Examinaçons taken before the Governo^r & Councill

Joseph ffincher confess that Jeffery Hagman dyed the 27th day of
August 1664—

Thomas Miles being further examined upon Oath saith that when
he Came into the tobacco howse the said Jeffery Hagman was dead
and further he saith he saw black spotts upon his body and hinder
parts, Joseph ffincher was urgent wth the said Myles to bury him
[p. 377] before any body saw him and further he saith that upon report he
was beaten wth 2 Tobacco sticks by the said Joseph ffincher—