

borne of Lucie Stratton was his, and further Sayeth that walking with the Sayd Turner in the woods against Poaps neke and the great march which belongs unto the Sayd land of Popes neke this deponant hard the Sayd Turner Say that if the child afor Sayd liued to come to womans Estate hee that married her shoold haue that Peece of land with her videz Popes neke and further Sayeth not. Liber A

M<sup>r</sup> John Hatch aged 45 years or thearabouts Sworne and examined in open Court Sayeth, that M<sup>r</sup> Arthur Turner confessed unto this Deponant that hee thought in his conscience that the Child borne of Lucie Stratton was his and further Sayeth not.

Christopher Russel aged fortie fiue year or thear abouts Sworne Sworne and examined in open Court at the request of Lucie Stratton Swareth that M<sup>r</sup> Arthur Turner coming unto this deponants hous one eauening this deponant desiered the Sayd Turner to Stay which hee did and after bed time beeing in bed the Sayd Turner asked of this deponant his aduice whearupone this deponant Sayd hee woold giue him the best he Coold, upon which Answer the Sayd turner Sayd hee had a Child layd to his Charge, and this deponant answered S<sup>ir</sup> in concience you know whether it bee yours or noe, but I woold fayne know replied the Sayd Turner whether you can instruct me concerning the law, whearupon this deponant Sayed that this Act was Acted befor any law was Prouided for Such Cases and thearfor according to usual custome the woomans oath woold stand good against him, and further this deponant Sayeth that hee heard the Sayd Turner Say that hee coold loue her as wel as euer hee did his owne wife, and that it was by her faythful promise to bee his wife that made him Act what hee did and further requested this deponant to bare him Companie the morning following to go to See whether hee coold win her to bee his wife, who went to Piceawakson with him, and their desiering to breake a questione, and not hauing opertunitie for Joane Morris Requested her Absence, Shee beeing gone this deponant told Lucie Stratton that M<sup>r</sup> Turner was Come to make her Satisfactione (Saying you haue layed your Child to him which She did not disowne) and thearfor hee the Sayd Turner was come to tender boath Person and Estat unto her if She woold take him to bee her husband, and the Sayd Stratton Replied Shee had Suffered enough by him, and that Shee woold not marrie him if shee suffered for it, Saying th<sup>t</sup> hee was a lustful man a very lustful man, and that she coold neuer bee at quiet for him, why Lucie replied the sayd Turner it was by thy faythful promise to me to bee my wife that I acted it, which Shee denied, whearupone the Sayd turner demanded of her, who was most lustful Shee or hee Seeing thow Camest to the bed when I was in bed and put thy hand under the cloaths and tooke mee by the priuat parts whearupon this deponant left them together and told the Sayd Turner that hee Shoold find him at M<sup>r</sup> Rob: Hundlies and further Sayeth not. [p. 36]