

Liber BB
No. 2 Shorte, with A Tobacco stick in his hand untill hee Came neare the watter side, but knew nott the Cause, nither did hee say any thing, Nor the said John Shorte, butt Presently after yo^r Deponant went to the watter side (with others) where wee saw the Place where they said That hee was Drowned, which was about Twenty yards in the watter, And the said M^r South Coming up from the watter side, Saith, That hee said to the said John Shorte when hee was att the watter side, That if hee Could stand in the watter that hee Could stand by the watter side heare, And further saith nott

signum
Richard R Fillinggam

[p. 11] Anthony Purss aged about Twenty seven yeares or thereabouts sworne and Examined.

Saith That upon Munday Last Past being the month of November about Eight A Clock in the morning, your Deponant Comeing into the Plantation of M^r Thomas South, neare about the offen hee meete with John Roys who said to yo^r Deponant goe doune to the watterside yendor, and help John Shorte for my Master is gone after him, to beate him; soe immediatly after yo^r Deponant, heard as hee supposed the man in the watter striueing for breath whereupon your Deponant Runn, as fast as hee Could to the watterside, where hee just saw him striveing and holding up his hand, and as hee supposed his tooes aboue watter and soe immediatly sunke downe, Butt your Deponant blameing the said m^r South that hee had nott Called some Body Sooner: for the said South Bid your deponant Call John Roys, which hee did, and the said Roys Came Immediatly and Run into the Place in the watter, where they saw the man sinke, which was about Twenty yards in the watter, butt Could nott finde him, butt the said M^r South was nott wett, nor had nott bin in the watter, Butt after the said Shorte was Drowned, yo^r Deponant heard the said M^r South say, that hee said while hee stood by the watterside, that if the said John Shorte Could stand in the watter, hee Could stand by the watterside: And Further saith nott

signum
Anthony PA Purss

Wee of The Jury before mentioned, by virtue of these depotions haue unanemously agreed And doe finde that John Shorte Late servant unto m^r Thomas South is Fielo Desi: And this is our virdict that hee ought nott to haue Christiall Buriall by Law.

Tho: Hynson senor fore man

M^{rs} Frances Morgan of the County of Kent Relick plant^{ff} Alexander Mecattor Deff^t in an Action of Debt yo^r Petitioner Craues warrant and it's granted.

That whereas M^{rs} Frances Morgan hath due by Bill from Alexander Meccoker the summ of seven hundred ninety and one pounds