

Anderton Adam Head John Wright David Driver Richard Bayly John Waghop Marmaduke Semme Richard Smith and Jonathan Sibrey being the Grand inquest for the body of this province doe present Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and Philip Burges of the Clifts for that they the said Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and Philip Burges two certaine hoggs of the goods and Chattells of Thomas Sterling of Calvert County upon the southeast side of the path that leads to petuxent in the County aforesaid the sevententh day of February in the yeare One thousand six hundred sixty nine did Kill steale and carry away contrary to the forme and effect of a certaine Act of Assembly in that case had made and Provided and against the peace of his Lordshipp his rule and dignity.

Liber JJ .

Afterwards to witt the sixteenth day of April in the xxxviii<sup>th</sup> yeare of the Dominion of Caecilius &c Annoꝝ Doꝛn One thousand six hundred and seventy Coꝛmand was given by the Court to the Sheriff of S<sup>t</sup> Maries County to bring the said Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and Philip Burges then prisoners in his Custody to the barr of the same Court who appeareing in their proper persons and holding up their hands at the barr and heareing the abovesaid indictment read said they were not guilty thereof and putt themselves upon the Country wherefore it was Comanded the Sheriff of S<sup>t</sup> Maries County that he cause immediately to come here before the justices of the said Lord proprietary of his said provinciall Court to keepe the peace assigned and to heare and determine all felonies trespasses and other misdemeanours in the said Province committed twelve lawfull freemen of the said province to make a jury to know the truth of the premisses because the said Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and philip Burges have putt themselves upon the same jury And afterwards to witt the same day the said Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and philip Burges being againe brought to the barr of the same Court and appeareing in their proper persons and the jury aforesaid by the Sheriff aforesaid being impannelled and called namely John Quigly Mathias Decosta James Humes Curtis Fletcher Henry Exon William Lawrence Elias Beach John Barnes James Lee John Curren John Balley and John Nutthall likewise came and the said indictment being then and there read and the wittnesses to prove the said indictment to witt James Elton James Mecall Mary Mecall William Kitson George Davison and Philip Clayton being sworne and examined to Speake the truth according to their severall knowledges about the concerning the premisses being heard and the said Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and Philip Burges being required to make their defence thereunto being likewise heard the said Jurors say that the said Francis Kilborne Benjamin Cloyster and Philip Burges are not guilty of the premisses in the abovesaid indictment specified in manner and forme as against them is supposed Whereupon Proclamation being then made and no person ap-