

their Maties,  
Contra  
John Kemp

Comerth County of. John Kemp of that County Plaintiff was attached to  
Dunster what should be objected agt him at a County Court hold on  
before Justice in August in their Maties behalf — — —

And whereupon their Maties Attorney Comd and says that the said John Kemp doth not have  
the fear of God before his eyes but wickedly and presumptuously, did together with one Robert Downes  
in the month of August 1690: Rape and Steal the woods with in the Jurisdiction of that Court not having  
any Commission from the authority of his Maties Provis, and then and there did take up and  
fellemiously Brand one Gray Maor of the price of nine hundred ninety and nine pounds of tobacco  
and the said Maor did Comd from the knowledge of their Maties Officers for that purpose authorized  
and appointed, the said Maor being neither the Right of the said Kemp or of the said Downes but  
Confederate, Contrary to the good Law and institutions of the Province. And to the great detriment of  
the Inhabitants and agt the publick peace. Their Maties Attorney Craves judgment may be entered agt  
the said Kemp, and that he suffer the pains & punishments by the Law inflicted upon such offenders  
James Sangster Cr. Justm.

The aforesd Indictment being read to write, the said John Kemp pleaded not guilty, and for this say all  
put him self upon the Country. whereupon Comd was given to the Sheriff to bring in Court two or  
good and lawfull men of the County, that the matter in hand might be the better understood. A list  
or panel whereof are thus returned as appears upon y<sup>e</sup> left hand being legally summoned & sworn upon y<sup>e</sup> holy Evangelis

- Henry: Hall.
- Walter: Talbot.
- Edward: Coats.
- John: Cothens.
- William: Dorlor.
- Roger: Durbin.
- William: Blannor. Jun.
- James: Ingram.
- Joseph: Dainton.
- John: Brown.
- Thomas: Cull.
- Thomas: Smith

have heard the foresd Indictment read as also the Oath of four  
Evidences, received their Charge and are sent for — — —

And the same day viz the 8: day of March the aforesd Jury as in y<sup>e</sup>  
Margout appears in Court, the plt and deft being called, as also the Jurors name  
man particularly by his name, and being asked, are all unanimously agreed  
of their verdict, where being delibered it thus read viz. That of y<sup>e</sup> Jury  
do: find John Kemp guilty of the Indictment. Henry: Hall: foreman.

Order given by that Court to enter the verdict. Order given for y<sup>e</sup> Jurors fees  
Order y<sup>e</sup> said Kemp remain Sheriff's Custodie till he give Security for his good  
behaviour, four fold y<sup>e</sup> Cost of suit

- Sworn for plt.
- Christopher Mutton. Sen
- Edward Dornett.
- Thomas: Gordon &
- Edward: Gold. — —

Did: Security in fo. 223: Taken y<sup>e</sup> Sheriff.