

Bartholomew (30) 7 Nov 15 1692

Thomas Williams
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Thomas: Eversden. Thomas Stockwell. Wm Keynolds
Michael: Williams & Catherine his wife. Rozannah: Doyce. Wm: Cypers & Anne
his wife. Andrew a Dutyman. Rebecca wife to Wm: Blanner. Rebecca: Roberts &
Frances wife to Thomas: Williams. — To Comy sworn upon y^e holy Evangelists
was with the following Depositions sent up to the Grand Jury upon their Oath &
affidavit with the indentment following. — and — and

Somerset. The Jurors for the County of Middlesex at a Grand Jury held for the County of the
County of Middlesex the 15th day in January last past Comy sworn upon the holy
Evangelists, do present & find that Thomas Williams at divers times & within y^e
Jurisdiction of this Court not having the fear of God before his eyes, but by the
Instigation of the devil, prompted by a wicked & abominable Lust with one Mary
Derry his wife of evil fame & notorious reputation sometime before the 15th in October
and some bys did commit that most horrible & abominable Sin of Stealing & carrying
away a Bastard Child, w^{ch} in its own Nature is so odious & hateful to God & Man that y^e
Law hath made the same Capital. but the said Thomas Williams not satisfied with that
unlawfull act of it self so heinous but at divers times & upon divers occasions
did with y^e & feloniously into the same Court
& Contract, to witte the said Mary Derry, to dispatch, kill & feloniously to murder y^e said fruit
or Child of his said wife begotten, that it might not be known but concealed from the
knowledge of all persons. that the said Thomas the said Mary Derry did clandestinely convey into
a Coburn heap at y^e Blombayn of the said Thomas, where together with the help of the said
Thomas only the said Mary was delivered, the Child most barbarously & unhumanly murdered
thrown to the hogs in the peare Orchard to be devoured, not bawling y^e said Infant
a grabe, for fear of Suspicion. But God whose eyes see thro' the secrets of all hearts and
actions, would not permit or suffer so horrible & wicked a Sin to be committed or committed
to miraculously bring the same to light, by Francis Williams, the wife of the said Thomas
Williams, who upon the said 15th day of December bys. did openly publicly & to the parties
with, the said Thomas & Mary about 20 shillings & some at the house of Michael: Williams one
of the Jurors. Now the said Thomas & Mary being considered & the by mens
the said Child was weighed, the said Thomas ought to suffer the pains & punishment