

June Court 1726

His Lordship - A writ bearing Issue against the said Katherine  
 Thallerine Banks } at his Lordships Suite to answer to an indictment  
 for Fornication the Sheriff of Kent County to  
 whom the said writ was Directed makes Return  
 thereof to this Court here on the third Tuesday of June being the twelfth  
 Day of said Month Anno Domini Seventeen Hundred and twenty six the  
 Day of Return of the said writ endorsed as follows. Viz. Qui Corpus & Frat. Thallerine  
 Sheriff of Kent County. The Jurors for the Right Hon. the Lord Proprietor that now is for  
 the Body of Kent County upon their Oath Do present that Katherine  
 Banks of Throesbury Parish in the County of Kent the first Day of  
 October Anno Domini Seventeen Hundred and twenty five at the Parish aforesaid  
 in the County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court did Commit for-  
 nication with a certain person to the Jurors aforesaid unknown and did  
 permit the same unknown person then and there to have carnal  
 knowledge of her body and to begett thereunto a bastard Child on  
 the Body of her the same Katherine to the high Displeasure of Almighty  
 God to y<sup>e</sup> Evill Example of all others in such Case offending Contrary  
 to the Peace of the said Lord Proprietor that now is his Good Husband Government  
 and against the Act of Assembly in such Case made & provided &c.  
 Test. Wm. Pincockes Francis Cor. Sca

on the Back of y<sup>e</sup> preceding Indictment was as follows. Viz. -  
 At the Bill of Sam<sup>l</sup> Wilkes for man  
 Whereupon the said Katherine Banks in her proper person comes and  
 appears to the said Indictment But Touch Francis <sup>County</sup> Clerk of Judicments for the  
 County informs the Court that he hath no sufficient Evidence to Support the  
 Charge laid against the said Katherine in the said Indictment and there-  
 upon Consents that the same Indictment be quashed & that it be  
 Considered by the Justices here this twelfth Day of June Anno Domini  
 Seventeen Hundred and twenty six that the said Katherine Banks do  
 the Indictment aforesaid & she go thereof without Day and do therefrom acquit-  
 ted also it is Considered that the said Katherine pay the Sum of two  
 hundred and fifty six pounds of Tobacco Costs remaining on the promif-  
 ses aforesaid to the Officers of this Court -  
 Jam. Smith

Ordered by the Court here that the Sheriff of Kent County keep the said