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March Court 1724

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of the County that he immediately Cause to Come here twelve £. by whom £. with Motion & £. Recognize £. because as well £. of which I. procept the Sheriff Lewis Fred. Hanson Gent now here At this Day to wit the Sixteenth Day of March Anno Domini Seventeen hundred & twenty four makes Return that he hath here ready twelve £. as by his procept he was Comanded And now here afterwards to wit the Day and year last mentioned Come again as well the Sheriff procept by Michael Howard his Clerk of the Court and also the William Howill who stands at the Bar and the Jurors of that Jury being Impannelled and Called likewise Come to wit, Josias Latham, Abraham Ambrose, Robert Durrain, John Huff, James Thomas, Thomas Chandler, Thomas Medford, William Crow, Vincent Hatchinson, Phil Brooks, John Denning, William Dean who being duly elected tryed and sworn to say the truth in the promises upon their oath Do say that y<sup>e</sup> William Howill prisoner at the Bar is Guilty as he stands indicted for feloniously stealing y<sup>e</sup> said Shirt — Therefore it is Considered by the Justices here to wit at the Court holden in the Town of Chester in s<sup>d</sup> County this Sixteenth Day of March Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and twenty four that y<sup>e</sup> said William Howill stand in the Pillory for the Space of one hour and that afterwards he receive at y<sup>e</sup> publick whipping post thirteen Lashes well laid on his bare back till the blood appears as a punishment for his said Crime of feloniously stealing a shirt according to the form and Effect of the Verdict and also it is Considered that y<sup>e</sup> said William Howill pay the Sum of Seven hundred Seventy & four pounds of Tobacco Costs according to y<sup>e</sup> promises and to the Officers of this Court —

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Ordered by the Court here at this Day to wit the Day & year last mentioned that the Sheriff of the County take y<sup>e</sup> said William Howill into his Custody and Execute the punishment in y<sup>e</sup> Judgment and specified And afterwards to bring him into Court again of which procept the Sheriff Lewis Fred. Hanson Gent High Sheriff of the County makes Return on Monday and year last said that he hath Executed the said Judgment and doth here the said W<sup>m</sup> Howill before the Court — *[Handwritten signature]* also