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Katherine Purcell being presented by the Grand Jury in  
March last for having a Bastard Child

Command was there fore given to the Sheriff of Kent County  
the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March Anno Domini 1697 to cause the said  
Katherine Purcell to be and appear before His  
Maj<sup>ties</sup> Justice at the Next Court to be holden &c.

at which Court viz: this present day said Capt Edward H  
Swatnam High Sheriff of the County and made Return of the  
said venire in these following Words Summoned Edw. Swatnam  
Sheriff

And the said Katherine Purcell now appearing and being sworn  
to Answer such questions as by this Court should be proposed to her  
upon her Oath declares Thomas Brazier to be the father  
of her Bastard Child

Ordered by this Court that the Sheriff take the said Katherine  
Purcell into his custody and give her fifty shillings well laid on  
for her surety viz: Shew'd out to the Sheriff pursuant to the  
above order

Simon Whimoff etc

Grand Jury returned and being called over & or else they have  
no presentment: but Render no Reason why they will not give  
the Paper Relating to the same viz: concerning Entertaining Pirates  
&c.

The Court orders Grand Jury two hundred pounds of Warrant

Court adjournes untill to Morrow tomorrow a Clerk