

Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Day of June Anno Dom 1697 that he cause Elias Sippy if this should be found in his Bailiwick for that he do and appears before his Mas<sup>ties</sup> Justices at the next Court to answer unto such matters &c

At which Court viz: the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of August Anno Dom 1697 the day of the Return of sd writ came Capt. Edward Swatnam High Sheriff of sd County and made return of sd writ in these words following viz: Copy of new Return Swatnam Sheriff

On which Day the said Elizabeth Sippy being called appeared & being sworn to answer such questions as should be by the Court proposed upon her Oath declares that Michael Earle is the father of her Bastard Child

Ordered that the said Elizabeth Sippy be committed into the Custody of his Majesty's Justices until Security be given

Simon Wilmer Clerk

Court Adjourned until too Morrow Morning 7 a Clock

August y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Anno Dom 1697 the same Court  
with againe present as before

Mr. Elias King by virtue of a Letter of Attorneys from Benjamin Blacklock doth Acknowledge a Deed to John Sutton for fifty Acres of Land called Demose

Elizabeth Sippy being againe called appeared and Patrick O'Dryon becomes Security to this Court to save the Countess's name from this sd Elias Sippy her Bastard Child as aforesaid

Elias Sippy professes a Petition to this Court against Mr. Michael Earle for having forced him five Years according to the Custom of this County for Land and Cattle but upon motion made by Mr. Earle the said is continued until next Court