

March Court 1738

do present that Sarah Turner late of Kent County upon her  
on the first day of May anno Domini two thousand hundred and  
forty eight at Kent County did Committ fornication with a  
Cestain Man to the Juror unknown and the same person  
then Offered to Sarah to have carnal knowledge of her body &  
to beget a Bastard child on her named Sarah Turner to the Cestain  
Example of others in like case offending against the peace & law  
against the first of the Act of Assembly in substance made & provided  
On the First day of March 1738 was read as follows Ver  
George

Billa Vnde Chris: Hale

And now here to wit at Kent County Court at the Courthouse  
in the Town of Chester in said County on the third Tuesday of March  
being the twenty eighth day of said month in the year of Our Lord God  
one thousand hundred thirty and eight Anno Domini prop by  
Justitia: George his Atty and prayeth that the aforesaid Sarah to the  
judgement aforesaid may answer & And that Sarah in her prop  
Person comitteth depredeth the said and injury wherof And saith  
that she cannot cannot get away the judgement aforesaid  
against her brought nor can she say but that she is guilty  
of the premises aforesaid upon her Imposed as by the aforesaid  
Judgement it is alledged and hereof submits herself to the Court  
Therefore it is considered by the Justices here to wit at Kent  
County Court at the Courthouse in the Town of Chester in said County  
on the third Tuesday of March being the twenty eighth day of said month  
in the year of Our Lord one thousand hundred thirty eight that the  
aforesaid Sarah be lashed at the publick whipping post of the  
County aforesaid on her back with five lashes well laid on  
and the blood to appear & Also it is considered by the Just  
of the time and place aforesaid mentioned that the said Sarah  
pay the sum of

Pounds of

Seven Pounds Auringing on the premises aforesaid to the Justices  
of this Court &c

Ordered by this Court here that the Sheriff of Kent County take  
into his custody the body of the aforesaid Sarah & Execute the punishment  
as in the Judgement aforesaid And afterwards to bring her  
and her again of which said process the said Sheriff to witness  
John Greenleman makes return thereof on the day and

& that he hath Executed the punishment in the said  
Judgement Almond her the aforesaid Sarah before the  
Court