

June 1708

Likewise Commanded it was to the Sher of Kent County the Twenty second day of
Party in the Sixty years of her now Majesty's Reigne: Anno 6: that he should be Com
Mary Ward of the afo County: That he should be found in his Country the said County
Fett apart the said County be present & Majesty's Justice at the next Court to be held at
the Town of Dover to answer unto all such things as should be then there
against her on her Majesty's behalfs and that he have then & there the said

at which said next Court viz the Twenty third day of March in the said year of
her now Majesty's Reigne the day of the Return of said what came Edward Scott high
Sheriff of said County made Return thereof in these words
Non Off Inventus ff mo Dow Scott Sheriff

Butt the said Mary Ward not appearing at the same Court it was ordered
that there should goe a Warrant to the Constable of Wotton hundred and cause
the said Mary to appear

Whereupon cometh into Court afterwards James Desbells Constable of
Wotton hundred w: the body of the afo Mary Ward

The said Mary Ward being called appeared and was likewise ordered to enter
into Recognizance w: was accordingly done Whereupon the same was continued
until the next Court

At Now here at this day viz the Twenty second day of June in the seventeenth
years of the Reigne of her now Majesty's Anno 17: Anno Dom 1708 came the
said Mary Ward in her proper Person being called appears according to Judgements
which is as followeth

Kent County of the Jurisdiction of our Sovereign Lady the Queen that shew is for the
in Maryland) Body of said County upon these and her proper Mary Wards of
said County otherwise called Mary Wards the wife of John Wards of
the same County Kants for that shew the said Mary at Wotton hundred in said County
within the Jurisdiction of this Court on the Twentieth day of September Anno Dom 1707
the fears of God before her eyes not having but being led by the Indignation of the
Devil & the corrupt Inclinations of the flesh did Commit Adultery with a certain James
Dane of the same County to the great displeasure of Almighty God. Against her
Majesty's peace & contrary to a certain Act of Assembly in such cases made and
provided
Earle of Dow Regina

To which Judgement the said Mary Ward pleads not guilty and for excuse puts
her self upon the Country
Ward ff

AND he who follows for our Sovereign Lady the Queen says shew is guilty
Earle of Dow Regina

Whereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County that he
Immediately cause to come here before him by whom he be recognized he beaforwell he
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