

November 1717

His Lordship } Maryland Kent Co. p. The Jurors for the Hon. Lord  
 } prop. & the Body of Kent County on their Oaths do  
 present that Mary Hussey late of worton parish  
 in the County of Spinkes serv. to William Woodland  
 the first day of June in the Year of our Lord 1717 at the parish &  
 County of Kent Committed fornication with a certain man to y<sup>e</sup> Jurors  
 unknown to y<sup>e</sup> high displeasure of Almighty God to y<sup>e</sup> evil and  
 pernicious example of others & against the form of an Act of Parliam<sup>ty</sup>  
 in this Province in such cases made & provided to the Intent  
 on the back of the preceding Judgment was Endorsed as follow<sup>ing</sup>  
 True bill by me John Evans Juror

And the said Mary being called came in her proper person  
 appeared to the said Judgment and plead not guilty & for by all  
 parts herself on y<sup>e</sup> Country Mary Hussey f. T.

And he who follows for the Lord prop<sup>ty</sup> in like manner Johnson  
 But the said Mary by Thomas Bowne her atty<sup>ly</sup> saith that the  
 fact committed by y<sup>e</sup> said Mary could not be within y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdiction of  
 this Court by reason that she was the last winter brought out of England  
 as a servant and the time that she must have committed the said fact  
 could not be within y<sup>e</sup> Jurisdiction of this Court on which this Court knowing  
 the same orders that the Clerk of the Judgment enter that the said  
 Judgment be no farther prosecuted. The said Mr. John Johnson Clerk of the  
 Judgment comes into Court and saith that by y<sup>e</sup> direction of the Court the  
 said Judgment be no farther prosecuted

ordered by the Court here that there be care taken of the Child delivered  
 of the said Mary. Mr. John March saith that he will pay towards the  
 defraying the Charge of said Child ordered that the said Mr. John March  
 assumption be entered for what he will pay

John Newell of said County comes into Court and saith that he will take the  
 said Child on the Consideration of y<sup>e</sup> said and keep it from any charge that may  
 accrue to the County. and enters into Recognizance with one Surety for  
 the performance thereof The said John Newell comes into Court and acknow:  
 ledge himself indebted to his Lordship his heirs and Successors in the sum  
 of two thousand ~~pounds~~ five hundred pounds of Tobacco conditionally that  
 if he do not keep the same child till it comes of age from any charge that  
 may accrue to the County. Likewise comes into Court Edward Davis of  
 this County and acknowledges himself indebted to his Lordship his heirs and Successors  
 in the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds of Tobacco conditionally that if y<sup>e</sup>  
 said John Newell do not keep the same child till it comes of age from any charge  
 that may accrue to the County where with he acknowledges himself content