

be prosecuted no farther &c

Bill the case Margaret Smith that she cannot gain any but that she hath committed fornication but not with a negro man but do you to prove the Child that was delivered of her to any person therefore it is considered by the Court here viz this thirteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighteen that the said Margaret Murrrough received on her bare back nine Lashes well laid on for her offence of committing fornication as also pay the sum of four hundred and eighteen pounds of Tobacco &c arising on the premises &c

It is also considered by the Court here viz the same day last mentioned that the Sheriff of said County take the said Margaret and carry her to the whipping post to execute the stripes as in the judgment aforesaid and then to bring her into Court and the Sheriff of said County the same day last mentioned came Simon Wilmer Gent. High Sheriff of said County and made return of his precept against the said Margaret in all things served and executed by Simon Wilmer Sheriff ordered by the Court here that the said Margaret Murrrough have at the expiration of her time the space of six months for trouble and disgrace of her masters house Loose time and Charge in going & coming as also for the maintenance of the Child during the time it lived ordered by the Court here that she be delivered up at the expiration of her time

His Honor

John Haynes

Ser. to Rachel Murrrough

The grand jury having made a presentment of the said John Haynes for committing fornication &c. as above and the said presentment was by John Haynes returned into a bill of indictment which is as follows viz. That County of the Jurors for the Hon. the Lord proprietors and the body of Kent on their oath do present that John Haynes late of Lower South Sassafras hundred County and the first day of July in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighteen &c. did with other days & times as well before as after said Lower South Sassafras hundred and in the County aforesaid and within the Jurisdiction of this Court the fear of God before her eyes not having but by the suggestion of the devil did commit fornication with a certain Rachel Murrrough & thereby did beget a Child on the body of the said Rachel to the High displeasure of Almighty God to the evil & pernicious example of others