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Thereupon Command is given to the Sherif of Somerset County that he should take the said Edward Chapman if he to answer & and now hereafter words to wit the Twentieth day of November and Dowd One thousand seven hundred and twenty three (one the said Edward Chapman in his own proper person and prays leave to be apprehended until next Court to answer the premises and it is granted him, and the same day is given unto his Lordship's attorney (who for his said Lordship in this Behalf prosecuteth) also

At which said next Court to wit the Seventeenth day of March and Dowd One thousand seven hundred and twenty three (one againe as well his said Lordship's attorney (who for his said Lordship in this Behalf prosecuteth) as the said Edward Chapman in his own proper person, and the said Edward Chapman being set to the bar is thereupon Instantly demanded how he would acquitt himselfe of the premises above Imposed upon him; says that of the premises and he is not way's guilty thereof, and for tryale thereof putteth himselfe upon the County and William Inghwell his Lordship's attorney who for his said Lordship in this Behalf prosecutes says that he is guilty & prays that it may be Enquired of by the Country & the Jurors

Thereupon Command is given to the Sherif of Somerset County that immediately he cause to come here twelve & by whom & who neither & to be cognize & because as well & of which said precept the said Sherif to wit Joseph MacCarter Gent: makes return that he has here ready twelve & as by his precept he was Commanded and the Jurors of that Jury therein Impannelled being called came to wit Thomas Leake W^m Handy John Dennis Serj, Charles Cottingham, John White Marum no, William Holland Isaac Williams James Lindow John Beavers, Lazarus Madding Cromwell David Hazzard, John Catrick Junr - who being duly Elected tryed & sworn to say the truth in the premises upon their Oath do say that Edward Chapman is guilty of the premises as by the Indictment above is Imposed upon him &

Wherefore it is Considered by the Justices here that the said Edward Chapman be fined to his Lordship the Lord proprietor the Sum of thirty Shillings for the fact afo, (whereupon M^r Leemi Gale paid thirty Shillings for the fine afo to M^r John Edwards on a/c of George Green) Whereupon the said Edward Chapman is discharged from the Indictment afo paying the Sovereign Officers their fees due by Occasion of the premises afo

His Lordship } Whereas a certain Mary Roberts being Indicted for having absconded Child & and forasmuch as the said Mary Roberts was a servant at that time the County was, Obliged to pay the Sovereign Officers their fees by Occasion of the premises, and then & there her Master John Richards gave Recognizance in thirty pounds to return the said Mary Roberts to the County Court or the Sherif of the County at the Expiration of her Servitude & Now hereat this day to wit the Seventeenth day of March and Dowd One thousand seven hundred and twenty three (one the said John Richards and brings with him the said Mary Roberts and delivers her up to the County Court & and forasmuch as the said Mary Roberts hath not where withall to pay her fine for the fact afo. Wherefore It is Considered by the Justices here that the said Mary Roberts be whipt with ten Lashes at the Publick whipping Post on the Bare Bank where said on until the Blood appear & that she be taken & and thereupon as to the Corporall punishment afo Command is given to the Sherif of Somerset (County)