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afterwards that is to say the first day of February One thousand Seven hundred and twenty three at the parish and County aforesaid was delivered of a bastard Child against the peace of our said Lord's proprietary his good rule & Dignity and also against the form of the act of assembly in such case made & provided - I Galt & David Croft

On the Back side of the foregoing Writ of Indictment it was thus Endorsed viz^t - *Writ of Indictment*

Adam Hitch foreman

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take the said Isabelle Hunt of Megway parish in the County aforesaid prisoner if she should be found in his Bailiwick and her should safe keep so that he might have her body before the Justice of the said County Court to be held at the third Tuesday of June then next to answer unto his Lordship concerning a presentment against her found and that thereof he should not fail &c. - At which said third Tuesday of June to wit the sixteenth day of the same month and day One thousand Seven hundred and twenty four being the day of the return of the said Writ from the said Sheriff a warrant return there of from Endorsed viz^t - *Writ of Indictment* Joseph McCarter Sheriff - Whereupon the said Isabelle Hunt in her own proper person appears and being set to the Bar is thereupon instantly demanded how she would acquit her self of the premises, says that of the premises aforesaid she is guilty thereof and submits to the Mercy of the Court and makes Oath that a certain James Macken is the begetter of the Child she stands Indicted for but hath not wherewithal to pay her fine for the said aforesaid

Wherefore it is Considered by the Justices here that the said Isabelle Hunt be led to the publick whipping post and there be whipt with fifteen Lashes on her bare Back with said on untill the Blood appear and that she be taken up thereupon as to the corporal punishment aforesaid - Command is given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he do there of Immediate Execution according to the Indictment aforesaid rendered by whipping the said Isabelle Hunt at the publick whipping post with fifteen Lashes on her bare Back with said on untill the Blood appear and afterwards in the same Court the Sheriff returns that he hath done the Execution of the Indictment aforesaid as to the corporal punishment aforesaid he was commanded - Thereupon the said Isabelle Hunt is ordered to return home to her masters Service, he to return her to the family first or Next of the family when free &c.

The same

James Duckett

Somerset County

The Jurors for the right honourable the Lord proprietary of this province that now is for the Body of Somerset County upon their Oath do present that James Duckett of Megway parish in the County aforesaid prisoner the tenth day of February One thousand Seven hundred and twenty two at the parish aforesaid in the County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court committed fornication with a certain man to the Jurors altogether unknown by means whereof afterwards that is to say the tenth day of November One thousand

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