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The whole to four hundred pounds of tobacco (the said goods being valued according to law) and that the said John Hamilton be whipt with ten lashes on the bare back well laid on untill the blood appear and that he stand in the pillowry a quarter of an hour and that he be taken &c. and thereupon as to the Corporal punishment of Command is given to the Just. of Somerset County that he do thereof Immediate Execution according to the Judgment of London &c. by whiping the said John Hamilton at the publick whiping post with ten lashes on the bare back well laid on untill the blood appear and by setting him in the pillowry a quarter of an hour and afterwards in the same Court the Just. Return that he hath done the Execution of the Judgment of as to the Corporal punishment of he was Commanded &c. Whereupon the said John Hamilton is committed into the custody of the Just. of Somerset County there to remain till delivered from thence by due Course of Law &c.

The same } Somerset County &c. The Jurors for his Lordship the right honorable Charles a booke Lord and
The same } Proprietary of the province of Maryland for the body of Somerset County that now is &c. upon
their Oath do present that absent John Hamilton Alias dit. John Hamilton late of County
parish in Somerset County and County the tenth day of September and Dow. One thousand seven hundred and
twenty nine at Stogney parish and County and within the Jurisdiction of this Court with force and arms one
Carded Gun best and Bullets of the value of two hundred pounds of tobacco one holland shirt of the
value of one hundred pounds of tobacco of the proper goods and Chattels of absent Samuel Willson then
there being and found them and there feloniously did take steal and carry away against the peace of
of the right honorable the Lord Proprietary of this province his good rule and Government and against the
Law of the act of Assembly of this province in such Cases provided &c. Dashed if sent for by
Jesh. Ephraim Willson, Jos. Thompson, Alben. Clarke William Mister

On the back side of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was thus Endorred vizt.
Billavore Edward Rownd Foreman

Thereupon Command was given to the Just. of Somerset County that he should take the said
John Hamilton of &c. to answer &c. and Now here afterwards to wit the Eighteenth day of November
one thousand seven hundred and twenty nine came here into Court the said John Hamilton in his proper person
in custody of the Just. of Somerset County, and being by the Just. sett to the bar Judgment Read, & thereupon
Instantly demanded how he would acquitt himself of the felony &c. above upon him Imposed, says
that of the felony &c. above upon him Imposed he is guilty thereof &c.

Whereupon the Justice here according to law valued the goods in the Indictment &c. mentioned to be sto:
len to three hundred pounds of tobacco, wherefore it is considered by the Justice here that the said John Hamil:
ton pay unto the said Samuel Willson the party deprived four fold of the value of the goods &c. amounting
to twelve hundred ^{pounds of tobacco} and that the said John Hamilton be whipt at the publick whiping post with ten lashes
on the bare back well laid on untill the blood appear and that he stand in the pillowry a quarter of an
hour and that he be taken &c. and thereupon as to the Corporal punishment of Command is given to the
Just. of Somerset County that he do thereof Immediate Execution according to the Judgment of London &c.