

March Court - - - 1731 - - - 158 - - -  
for due by occasion of the premises aforesaid, thereupon a certain John Harper of Somerset -  
County planter present here in Court undertook for the said Roger Huggins to pay the  
fine aforesaid and the severall Officers their fees due as aforesaid & -

Abraham Heath appears according to his Recouerance to prosecute and give Evidence against Henry Townmelior  
and was discharged therefrom &c -

His Lordship } We of the Grand Jury on our Oath for Somerset County do present that Rachel Broughton late  
Rachel Broughton } of Somerset County Planter in Levant parish for abearing of a bastard Child at the house of  
Bruff Broughton some time in the month of Novemr. Joshua Merrill Informer -  
Edward Round foreman -

Thereupon Command was given to the Sherif of Somerset County that he should take the said Rachel Broughton if  
she to answer her and afterwards to witt the twenty first day of March One thousand Seven hundred and thirty one  
came her into Court at Dividing Creek before the Justice thereof the said Rachel Broughton in her proper per-  
son, and being durstly demanded how she would acquit herself of the premises aforesaid or by the present  
ment aforesaid above upon her imposed, the same Rachel saith that she cannot say but that she is guilty of  
the premises aforesaid by the presentment aforesaid, above upon her imposed, and makes oath that a certain Thomas  
Luissey is the father of the Child she stands presented for, and is willing to pay her fine for the fact aforesaid -

whereupon all and Singular the premises by the said here been heard and fully understood - It is considered  
by the Court here that the said Rachel Broughton pay to his said Lordship for her fine by the Court  
thereupon her imposed for and by occasion of the premises aforesaid whereof informed  
aforesaid she is Convict thirty Shillings, and that the said Rachel Broughton be-  
taken to Satisfie his said Lordship of the fine aforesaid - Whereupon it is ordered by the Court  
here that the aforesaid Rachel Broughton give Security for the payment of the fine aforesaid  
and the severall Officers fees due by occasion of the Premises aforesaid thereupon Bruff  
Broughton of Somerset County gent: undertakes for the said Rachel Broughton  
to pay the fine aforesaid and the severall officers fees due as aforesaid & -

The Same - } Somerset sc: Be it remembred that upon the twenty first day of March anno -  
John Whaley } Dom: one thousand Seven hundred and thirty one came here into Somers-  
County Court Leominster off: of Indictments of the said County and for the  
said Lord proprietary gives the Court to understand and be Informed that John  
Whaley late of Somerset County Planter the tenth day of November anno Dom: one  
thousand Seven hundred and thirty one at the County aforesaid within the Jurisdiction of this Court  
did committ fornication with a certain Susanah Carter against the peace of the Right  
Honorable the Lord Proprietary his good Rule and Government and also against the forme  
of the act of Assembly in such Case made and provided whereof the said Leominster  
for the said Lord Proprietary prays Advicement of the Court here in the premises &

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