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servant of Capt. John in Cester and of her body then and there had carnal knowledge and abastard Child on  
the body of her the same Mary then and there did begett to the high displeasure of Almighty God to the Evill  
Example of all Others in such <sup>Care</sup> Offending Contrary to the peace of the said Lord Proprietary that now is  
his good rule and government and against the form of the act of Assembly in such case lately made and provided  
~~for the best use of the freemen~~ of Inditement it was thus judged that William Sam. Wilcocke foreman  
d. &c. Whereupon judgment was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take  
the said John Hopkins into his custody if he to answer for and afterward to him with the eighteenth day of June.  
and Deed: One thousand Seven hundred and Ninety four before the Justice of his Lordships County Court of  
Somerset here hold at Doding Creek in and for the County aforesaid came the said John Hopkins Deed in his  
proper person and being instantly demanded how he would acquitt himself of the premises aforesaid says  
that of the premises aforesaid he is guilty thereof and is willing to pay his fine for the fault aforesaid.

Whereupon after singular the premises by the Court here been heard and fully understood and  
mature deliberation thereupon had ... It is considered by the Court that the aforesaid John Hopkins shall pay  
to his Lordships the Lord Proprietary for his fine by the Court here upon him imposed for and by execu-  
tion of the premises aforesaid whereof in sum aforesaid he is found to thirty shillings Current money and that the said  
John Hopkins be taken to satisfy of the fine aforesaid whereupon the said John Hopkins is ordered to give security  
for the payment of the fine aforesaid but for want thereof of the said John Hopkins is committed into the custody of the  
Sheriff of Somerset County therto remaine, the said Sheriff present before Court took Charge of the said John Hopkins  
accordingly. Also it is ordered that the said John Hopkins give security for the payment of  
the several Officers fees due upon his Inditement aforesaid.

Whereupon after Stephen Wmright of the County aforesaid present before Court in his proper  
person acknowledged himself indebted unto his Lordships the Lord Proprietary in the sum of five  
Pounds Sterling to be levied on his Body Goods and Chattells Lands and tenements to the use of the sever-  
al Officers of Somerset County Court that hath any right to any fees by means of his Inditement aforesaid if  
it happen that the said John Hopkins do not pay the several Officers fees due aforesaid that then the  
said Stephen Wmright will do the same for him aforesaid Likewise the said John Hopkins Deed is order-  
ed by the Court to give security for to save and keep harmless as well the Justices of Somerset County Court  
and their Successors for the time being as the Inhabitants of the said County from all costs Charges and trou-  
bles by reason of the birth maintenance nourishing and bringing up of a bastard Child lately begott by  
him the said John Hopkins of the body of the aforesaid Mary Maguire aforesaid

Whereupon the said John Hopkins Deed with a certaine Jacob Mepca of Somerset County planter  
his security present here in Court acknowledged themselves indebted unto his Lordships the Lord Pro-  
prietary his Heirs and Successors in twenty pounds Sterling each of their several goods and Chattells  
Lands and tenements if it happen that the said John Hopkins Deed do not from time to time and  
at all times hereafter acquitt his charge and save harmless as well the Justices of Somerset County Court  
and