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His Lordship of Somerset County sh. The Jurors for the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary  
John Redding. That now is for the body of Somerset County sh upon their Oath do present that John  
Redding late of Coventry parish in the County of planter his spouse the day of June  
seventeen hundred and thirty Six at the parish of in the County of within the Jurisdic-  
tion of this Court in and upon a certain John Sterling in the presence of and of the said Lord Proprietary  
then and there with force and arms ~~an~~ assault did make and the said John Sterling then & there  
did beat wound And Evilly treat so that of his Life it was much depaired & other harm to  
him then & there did to the great damage of the same John Sterling and against the peace of the  
said Lord Proprietary that now is his good rule and Government &c. —

Test John Sterling. On the back side of the foregoing Bill of Indictment it was thus —  
Ludovicus vid. Billa vera Samuel Wilson forman.

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Somerset County that he should take  
the said John Redding if he to answer &c. and afterwards to wit the Seventeenth day of June  
and seven hundred and thirty Six before the Justices of this Lord-  
ship's County Court of Somerset now here held at Dividing Creek in the same County Court the  
said John Redding in his proper person and had a hearing of the Indictment &c. and there-  
upon he submitted with a protestation of his Innocency and because he will not contend with  
his said Lordship he puts himself upon the favour of the Court &c. whereupon all & Singu-  
lar the premises by the Court here seen heard and fully understood. Therefore it is Consider-  
ed by the Justices here that the said John Redding pay unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary  
for his fine by the Court here upon him imposed for and by occasion of the trespass and assault  
whereof in form aforesaid he is convicted ten Shillings Court money of Maryland and that the said  
John Redding be taken to satisfy for his said Lordship and all the Charges due by means of the pre-  
mises aforesaid throughout the said sh. to wit Joseph M. Foster here present herein found took charge  
of the said John Redding accordingly &c. Thereupon the said John Redding is ordered to  
give security for his good behaviour and appearance before the Justices of this Lordship's County  
Court of Somerset now here held at Dividing Creek the third Tuesday of next month  
whereupon the said John Redding with Jacob Adams of Somerset County planter his  
security both present herein in Court with their proper persons acknowledged themselves —  
Indebted