

August Court Anno Domini 1747 (148)

Tuesday in June last by the oath of fourteen Jurors, namely Thomas Matthews
Esq. was presented Mary Wetherington for forswearing a bastard Child

with the word Tuesday in August the said Mary in bust to say of the Sheriff
Namely Samuel Hanson Gent to the Bar here brought in her proper Person
Comes and being Demanded of her by the Court here whether she is guilty of the
Wastward said above upon her Imposed, she the said Mary Wetherington says she is
thereof guilty in manner and form as by the Presentment said against her it is
Alleged

Therefore it is considered that the said
Mary be fined or suffer corporal Punishment according to the directions of the
Act of Assembly in these cases late made and revised, and for that the said Mary
cannot be set on any Person or onto her security for the fine afo. by the Act afo. imposed
It is ordered the Sheriff that he take her to the Whipping Post and having stripped
her naked from the Waist upwards and then give her twelve Lashes on the Bare Back
for her offence

On the afternoon to wit the same Monday
Tuesday in August appeared the Sheriff aforesaid Returns to the Court here that
he hath done Execution of the said Judgment upon the said Mary

Whereupon into Court here in his
proper Person came Thomas Freeman of Charles County Planter and burrow
pledge and security for the said Mary to pay the sum of five pounds due to the
Officers and ministers of the Court here by assuasion of the Curriers

Ruled that the said Mary Wetherington recognize
in the sum of forty pounds current money with or without in the same of twenty
pounds like money to keep the County clear from any burthen of the said bastard
Child where of she is ^{the} Day convicted

Whereupon into Court here in her proper
Person comes the said Mary Wetherington and acknowledged herself to owe and stand
Justly Indebted unto his Lordship the said Proprietary in the sum of forty pounds
in conformity of Maryland and also in like manner came Thomas Freeman
of same County Planter

and acknowledged himself to owe and stand Justly Indebted unto his said Lordship
in the sum of twenty pounds like money which sum & they and each of them severally
aid and granted should be made an adjoynt on their and each of their to pay
Goods or Chattels or lands or Inheritance for the said Lordship his Heirs and
Successors

Condition that the said Mary Wetherington do keep
Harmless & indemnify the County of Charles from any burthen of a bastard
Child named Child Wetherington in the said Mary was this day convicted