

Ordered by the Advice of this Board that the Assembly be called on the second Tuesday of this Instant Month being the 11th Day of the same month and Proceedings pursued accordingly

A Council held at the City of Annapolis on Friday the 10 Day of April in the sixth year of his
Lordships Dominion of Antigua Dominions 1760

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor

The Honourable Col^l Benj^l Tasker, Bernard Calvert Esq^r Col^l Robert Jenkins Henry

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the Report of the Justices of the Provincial Court relating to James Homer for a Rape which is as follows

May it please your Excellency

We the Justices of the Provincial Court do humbly Represent to your Excellency that James Homer of Dorchester County Labourer has been indicted Tried and convicted for a Rape committed by him on one Mary Ann Satchell a girl of about fourteen Years Old and Sentence of Death has been pronounced against him this present Court. We are very that there did not appear one favourable Circumstance in the Course of his Trial to induce us to Recommend him to your Excellency for a Mercy

We are with the highest Respect

April 17th 1760

Your Excellency's most Obedient & most humble Servants

Wm^l Davis, Rob^t Jenkins Henry, Jas^s Stewart

Which being Read and considered of It is the humble Advice of this Board, that his Excellency be pleased to order Warrant for his Execution on Friday the second Day of May next.

A Council held at the City of Annapolis on Thursday the 22^d Day of May in the Tenth Year of his Lordships Dominion of Antigua Dominions 1760

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esquire Governor

The Honourable Benjamin Tasker Esq^r Daniel Dulany Esq^r Stephen Bradley Esq^r

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter received from Governor Cornwall relative to the Fire at Boston.

Sir

Boston 24 March 1760.

On the twentieth Instant a Fire broke out in the Town of Boston which raged in such a manner as to elude all Means for suppressing the same untill it had, according to the best Information that can be obtained in the present Confusion, destroyed one hundred and seventy four dwelling Houses and as many Merchants Shops and other Buildings which with their Furniture and Goods therein amount at a moderate Computation to one hundred thousand Pound Sterling. By this two hundred and twenty Families are turned out of Doors, the greatest part of whom being by this Misfortune rendered incapable of Subverting themselves are become the proper Objects of Charity. And although I have at the Desire of both Houses of the Legislature sent Briefs throughout the Province to procure Relief for the unhappy Sufferers, yet the calamity is so great and extensive that the means of Relief from among Ourselves & the Contributions of our own Inhabitants must be greatly inadequate to the Use. I would therefore, as has been practised on the like Occasions, desire your Excellency would be so good as to recommend it to the People under your Government to assist in relieving their Distressed Fellow Subjects, and that you would cause what may be collected on this Occasion to be committed to the Select-men and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boston, with whom will be lodged the Collections made in this Government to be distributed among the Sufferers as they in their Discretion shall judge proper. I have the Honour to be

Sir

Your Excellency's most Obedient humble Servant
Cornwall

Sir

The Secretary tells me He is uncertain whether he sent forward the foregoing Letter to your Excellency at the Time of its Date. If it has been already forwarded you will please to receive this as a Copy, and excuse my troubling you with a Duplicate to prevent any further uncertainty about it. Your most Obedient humble Servant
Cornwall

Which being Read Ordered with the Advice of this Board that the following Brief be issued together with Letters to the several Sheriffs of this Province.