

on which this Deponent asked the said James Nicholas for the Money who replied that he had sold the Scalp to Cap^t. Evan Shelby for the sum of Thirty Pounds, which if he had not done should have got Nothing for it, therefore could not pay the sum he the said Spencer expects, and as this Deponent had undertaken to negotiate that Business for the said Spencer, enquired at the Paper Currency Office in Annapolis what Sum had been paid for said Scalp and to whom and found a Certificate for the taking said Scalp Given by Cap^t. Shelby and a Receipt for the said Money signed by Edmund Moran to who he applied for the Balance due said Spencer to which. Moran answered that he had received the Money for Cap^t. Evan Shelby and had delivered it to him, and further this Deponent sayeth not.

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Sworn the 19th June 1766. before
David Lynn.

December the 2^d. 1765. Came Barnett Johnson Constable of Linton Hundred with five Men with him Viz^t. Edmund Moran, James Parson, Nathan Lynn, John Gerlach and Thomas Hynes to the House of Conna Wheat between the Hours of Nine and Ten o'clock at Night, and asked for a Quart of Whiskey, and got but a Pint, and then asked if there was a Pellar there, then they called Conrod Wheat out a Doors, and asked him if he would up his Daughters Child, he asked them upon what Condition, they answered they had an Order from the Court for the Child, Conrod Wheat demanded to see the Order, then Edmund Moran read the Order then Conrod Wheat found the Order was from Evan Shelby Esq^r. and not from the Court, and refused to let the Child go, as the Girl had given Security to the Court which I thought was sufficient, then the Constable commanded to lay hold, then some began to stop the People belonging to the House from endeavouring to save the Child then they began to Riot and Beat the People of the House, and Thomas Hynes swore he would have the Child Dead or alive, then they hurt one of the Children belonging to the House then one of his Girls took her own Child and ran out of the Stove Room into the Kitchen, and the Rioters all followed her and the People of the House shut the Doors after them, and forwarned them from coming in again, then they broke open the Door and came in by Force, and then they began to Beat the People of the House till some of them was not able to go to the Justice, and Thomas Hynes beat Margaret Wheat the Mother of the Child and swore he would be the Death of her. And then Nathan Lynn took the Child and ran out of the Doors with it, and then one of the Women belonging to the House got the Child and ran out into the field, and Barnett Johnson and John Gerlach, ran after her and beat her, and took the Child from her, and then they came to the House of Ralph Matson where Evan Shelby was, and the Constable took the Child and delivered to Cap^t. Evan Shelby, and he delivered it to William Hynes and Thomas Hynes, was heard say that he made the Dutch Bitches Blood Fly, and Christian Matson asked Evan Shelby if the Girl had not a Right to keep the Child if she could get Security to keep the Child of the Parish, and Evan Shelby made answer that she could get no Security, and refused Joseph Hink and Thomas Brooks, likewise Evan Shelby said if he was Conrod Wheat in Maryland he would have him Cropped for disobeying his Orders, and not delivering up the Child and said if he had ~~gone~~ gone he would have burnt his House over his Head likewise William Hynes and Thomas Hynes gave Evan Shelby a Bond of One hundred Pounds in Behalf of his Lordship to keep the Child of the Parish. Witnessed by Edmund Moran and Thomas Polk.

Evidences present that saw the Riot
John Barkley
George Rush
Peter Steid
Henry Rush

P.S. When they came before Joseph Warford, in order to have their Trial Evan Shelby demanded a Warrant of Joseph Warford for the Girls fine but Joseph Warford refused to grant it, then Evan Shelby writ one himself and demanded Joseph Warford to sign it, but he refused, then Evan Shelby signed it and she was Taken and Thomas Hynes gave his Note to Evan Shelby for her fine.

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