

...away against the Grace of the said Lord Proprietary his good Rule and Government and con-
tra to the form of the Act of Assembly in such Cases made and Provided.

Edm. Key. Esq. Genl.

At the foot of which Bill of indictment was thus written

As True Bills Basil Burges's Foreman

And now at this day to wit the fourth Tuesday in August in the fifteenth Year of his Lords-
ships Dominion at the Town aforesaid before the Justices of the Court here come the said Negro
Charles in his proper Person under the Custody of the Sheriff of the County aforesaid (to wit) George
Scott Esq. as aforesaid in whose Custody for the Cause aforesaid he had been before omitted, and being set
before the Court here in Custody as aforesaid. It was immediately said unto him how of the
Premises in the Indictment above specified to him in Form aforesaid imposed he would acquit
himself and he the said Negro Charles said that he is not guilty of the Premises above to
him in Form aforesaid imposed, and therefore for good and ill puts himself upon the Country and
Judge who prosecutes likewise. Therefore immediately come here a Jury hereof before the
said Justices at the Town aforesaid and the Jurors of the Jury aforesaid by the said Sheriff to this im-
pannelled namely Tobias Bell, Lwin Lovington, John Marlow, George Frazer, Magnus
Reyn Beale, Thomas Gasaway Watkins, Richard Isaac, Joseph Walker, Philip Perry, William
Norton, Eleazer Lanham, and Basil Beale, being called who to say the Truth of the Premi-
ses above charged and sworn do say upon their Oath that Negro Charles is guilty of the
Premises above in the Indictment specified to him in Form aforesaid imposed as by the same In-
dictment above against him it is supposed. Whereupon it is demanded of the said Negro Charles
if any thing for himself he hath or knoweth to say why the Court hereof the Lord Proprietary to
Judgment upon the Verdict aforesaid to proceed ought, who nothing further does say beside what before
he has said. Whereupon all and singular the Premises by the Court here being seen and
fully understood, it is considered by the same Court that the said Negro Charles be carried to the
Goal of the said Proprietary under the Custody of the Sheriff before named from whence
he may and from thence to be carried to the place of Execution, and there be hanged by the
Neck untill he be dead, by the Court here adjudged according to the Act of Assembly in such
Cases made and provided. And the Justices of the Court here value the above said Negro Charles
to give five Pounds Current Money.

In Testimony Whereof the foregoing is a true Copy of the Proceedings I have here-
unto set my hand and affixed the publick Seal of the County aforesaid this Tenth day of September
in the Year of Our Lord Christ One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty five

Joseph Sim Esq. Sec. Col.

* See Proceedings of the Council of the said Province for the said Year
1665. Vol. 1. p. 107.
* See the Proceedings of the said Council
the 20th July 1665.