

Att A Court held for Kent County in the Province of Maryland on the Nineteenth day of August and Continued the twentieth days of the same month in the fiftieth year of the Dominion of Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietor of the Province of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore W. Anno Domini 1729

Before

The Worshipful

- Mr. William Tristram
- Mr. Fred. Hanson
- Mr. John Long
- Mr. George Sherson
- Mr. Philip Leonard
- Mr. George Wilson
- Mr. John Gosham

John E. Hunt

Mr. Joseph Young Sheriff of the Court

John Smith

His Lordship of Kent County (s.) Memorandum that Torch Francis Gentleman Attorney of the Right Honorable the L<sup>d</sup> R. Fulston Proprietary that now is for the County and who for y

Said Lord Proprietary in this part prosecute the dole come here into Kent County Court before William Tristram Esq. and his associates his Lordships Justices of the same County Court to wit at new Town in the County of Kent the eighteenth day of March Anno Domini Seventeen hundred twenty and eight and for the said Lord Proprietary doth give the Court here to understand and be informed that Richard Foulston late of said parish in the County of Kent knowing that a certain Christian Tippet of the parish and County of Kent the wife of a certain Thomas Tippet of the same parish & County planter one pair of double headed cased ruffles of the value of Sixty pounds of Tobacco and one Muslin flowered Apron of the value of Seventy pounds of Tobacco of the goods and Chattels of the said Richard Foulston in the same parish and County being feloniously did steal take and bear away afterwards on the tenth day of October Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred twenty and eight at the parish and in the County of Kent did receive and take of and from the said Thomas Tippet One thousand and five hundred pounds of Tobacco amount for his Damages sustained by occasion of the Felony and in form and perpetrated and awarded the said Christian according to the due course of the Law in that part provided for the Commission of the same Felony not to prosecute but for the said Christian upon the trial of the said Felony to favour and maintain to the evil example of all others in such like offending and against the peace of the said Lord Proprietary that now is his good rule and Governm<sup>t</sup>. Wherefore the said Tippet prayeth the Advice of the Court herein the premises for the said Lord Proprietary and due process of Law against the said Tippet in this part to issue to answer to the said Lord Proprietary. And upon the premises the said Francis doth say

And the said Richard Foulston in his proper person comes and defends the force and Injury done to him and sayeth that he is not guilty of the Matter alleged against him in the Information and in manner and form therein set forth and of this he puts himself upon the Country and the said Francis who for the same Lord Proprietary in this part followeth in like manner saith he is guilty

Thereupon Command was given to the Sheriff of Kent County that he immediately cause to come here twelve L<sup>d</sup>. by whom he. who neither he. To be sworn as well as of whom said precept the said Sheriff to wit Joseph Young Gent now here at this day to wit the twentieth day of August Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and twenty nine make return that he hath here twelve L<sup>d</sup>. as by his precept he was commanded and now here after to wit the day & year last mentioned come against the said Lord Proprietary by his atty and the said Richard Foulston in his proper person and the Jurors of that Jury being