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cometh William Harris Gentleman Sheriff of Kent County & in due
Return thereof to the Court here. Endorsed as folo Verdict

Cepte corpus of William Harris Sheriff
of Kent County for the right Honourable the Lord
Proprietaries that now is for the County of Kent County as upon their
Oath do present that Catharine Harris an late of Saint Pauls Parish
in the County of Spinkster the tenth day of June Anno Domini Secculae
hundred thirty seven at the Parish as in the County of Kent within
the Jurisdiction of this Court did commit fornication with a certain
Person to the Jurors as mentioned and did permit the same
unknown Person then and there to have carnal knowledge of her
body and to begot then and there a bastard child on the body of her
the said Catharine to the high displeasure of Almighty God to
the evil Example of all others in such case offending and contrary
to the Person of the said Lord Proprietary his good rule and Government
and against the form of the Act of Assembly in such case lately
made and provided be

On the Back of the said Indictment was Endorsed as folo Verdict

True Will of the Bordley Foreman
And now here to wit at the Court house in the Town of Charles in said
County on the third Tuesday of June being the twenty first day of said
month in year of our Lord seven hundred thirty seven with
the said Lord Proprietary John Francis his Attorney & prayeth that
the said Catharine to the Indictment as might Answer

And the said Catharine in her proper Person came and defends
the said and injury whereof and saith that she cannot gainsay the
Indictment as so as against her brought nor can she say but
that she is guilty of the same as above upon her Impovder by
the said Indictment it is alleged and thereupon Submits to the Court
Therefore it is considered by the Justices here to wit at the
Court house in the Town of Charles in said County on the third Tuesday
of June being the twenty first day of said month in the year of our
Lord seven hundred thirty seven that the said Catharine pay the
Sum of One Pound Ten Shillings current money of Maryland