

April

Capt. Thomas Curran: f. Account. Rob: Henrich demanded of Tho: Sturman & his son: Ja: Sturman 1200. £. & cts. due upon acct. Attest: Wm: Henrich ret. June Court.

Edw. Wm: Wilson sworn high Sheriff of County of S. Meris & Philip Land Under Sheriff.

April 5. Wm: Harditch complaineth agt Tho: Copley Esq: for deteyning one black eyed brown Cow <sup>except on the right ear with 2 rings in the crop & the left ear with 2 rings in the crop</sup> about 3 years old & upwards, w<sup>th</sup> her owner's & damages for his staying here by reason of the non delivery of the same.

John Sturman ~~under Sheriff~~ per Account. Wm: Harditch complaineth agt Tho: Copley Esq: for deteyning one brown Cow 2 years & halfe old & upwards w<sup>th</sup> her owner's & damages for his stay, as aforesaid <sup>except on the right ear with 2 rings in the crop & the left ear with 2 rings in the crop</sup>.

Rob: Clark Gent. complaineth agt John Sturman for taking out of his lot one black eyed heifer & her calf, & for deteyning of the same, the heifer being bought of M: J: Dyle by J: M: Clark. w<sup>th</sup> damages & losse of time. w<sup>ch</sup> J: M: Clark surreyned these eight dayes.

Henry Hooper demanded of his Attornee 3379. £. 5 3 p. p. due to him for his salary & chirurgery in the foot of S: Jeyes 7 last year.

Robert Sharpe demanded 300. £. of M: Mary. Great daughter of the Duke of Len: (deceased) for a misfeitt w<sup>ch</sup> S: Len: (deceased) deteyned from him at his going out of the province.

Summons to M: Brent. etc. Octob: Court.

All a Court held at S. Meris. 5. Ap. 1648. In presence of...

By reason of none of the Justices of this Province were present in Court, the Court ordered that all causes should be tryed by a Jury of 12 men.

J: Parker, Rob: Sharpe, Tho: Mathewes, M: Clark, M: Wyatt, M: Dyle, Tho: Hedden, J: Hatch, S: Memmers, M: Foley, Rob: Smith, Tho: Allen, Mr. Rawlins, M: Wiseman, M: Keytin.

Upon the demand of Wm: Harditch agt Tho: Copley Esq: for deteyning one black eyed brown Cow for use. Tho: Mathewes avow. of S: Tho: Copley deayed to any such Cow is deteyned from S: Tho: Harditch, & deffors that he may prove his claim to the interrogatories take demanded in the behalfe of Thomas Copley. &c:

1. What is the marke of Thomas Sturman. How long hath he given the marke, & how doe you know it is his marke?
2. What kind of Beast is this w<sup>ch</sup> he claimes. when was the Beast marked w<sup>th</sup> the marke. & are you sure the marke is placed by his marke, & of the Beast his?
3. How many Beasts had S: Tho: Sturman before Ingles came & reppel of Rebellion in this pro: & how many Cows, or other cattle hath S: Tho: Sturman carryed out of the province?
4. Since the coming of Ingles, & the Rebellion, did Tho: Sturman never turne, or have be turned any of the marke of the Beasts of M: Tho: Copley, into the marke of S: Tho: Sturman. And did S: Tho: Sturman never take any of the cattle of S: Tho: Copley?