Maryland ss. The Juro[rs] for the Right Hon[ble] the Lord Prop[ry] of this Provinc[e] do Pr[esent] James Douglas late of St Marys County, Robert Bourtrall late of St Marys County Labourer and Zacharia Causwringin of St Marys County Planter for that they the Eighth day of November in the Ye[ar] of Our Lord 1695 at the City of St Marys in the County afor[esaid] Our Goods belonging to Ignatius Cheycroft of the price of Eight hundred pounds of tobacco, and Our Bridle and Our Saddle of the value of two hundred pounds of tobacco of the goods and chattels of Our Ignatius Cheycroft Gent then and there found and being feloniously did steal take lead and carry away against the peace &c

On the back of the aforegoing presentment was indorsed by the Grand Inquest Billa vera — Lattarias Causwringin ex Artificio

Upon w[hi]ch Pr[esent] the afor[esaid] James Douglas and Robert Bourtrall were indicted, upon their Indictment were arraigned and upon their arraignment pleaded Not guilty and for their tryall put themselves upon God and the Country: And Thomas Bickford Attorny gen[ll] for the said Lord Prop[ry] also — Therefore It is commanded the Sheriff of St Marys County that he cause to come here Twelve &c

Now here at this day to wit the Fifth day of September in the twelfth year of the Dominion of the Right Hon[ble] Charles &c Anno Dm 1696 Came the said Attorny gen[ll] for the said Lord Prop[ry] and the said James Douglas Sett to the Barr and the Jurors impanelled being called likewise came &c who to say the truth in the premises being sworn and charged upon their oaths do say That the said James Douglas and Robert Bourtrall is guilty of stealing the saddle in the afor[esaid] Indictment mentioned, but not the horse.

Afterwards to wit the fourteenth day of the said month of September Came the said Attorny General for the said Lord Prop[ry] and the said Robert Bourtrall & James Douglas brought again to the Barr Upon their Joynt Indictment Praied the Benefit of their Clergy, being granted them they Could Read:

And It is considered by the Court that the said Robert Bourtrall be burnt in the hand w[ith] a red hot Iron: Which was accordingly Done:

Maryland ss. The Juro[rs] for the Right Hon[ble] the Lord Prop[ry] of this Province do Pr[esent] James Douglas late of St Marys County Labourer for that he the Eighth day of July in the ye[ar] of our Lord 1696 at the City of St Marys in the County afor[esaid] Our Goods of the price of Eight hundred pounds of tobacco and Our Bridle and Our Saddle of the value of two hundred pounds of tobacco of the goods and chattels of Our Anthony Underwood Gent then and there found and being feloniously did steal take lead and carry away against the peace &c

Am[ica]s Attorny Gen[ll]

On the backside of the aforegoing Presentment was indorsed by the Grand Inquest Billa vera —

Upon which presentment the afor[esaid] James Douglas was indicted and upon the Indictment arraigned and upon the arraignment pleaded Not guilty And for his tryall put himself upon God and the Country wherefore It is commanded the Sheriff of St Marys County that he cause to come Twelve &c by whom &c and who neither &c to recognize &c Cause &c

Now here at this day to wit the Fifth day of September in the twelfth year of the Dominion of the Right Hon[ble] Charles &c Anno Dm 1696 Came the said Attorny gen[ll] for the said Lord Prop[ry] and the said James Douglas Sett to the Barr and the Jurors impanelled being called likewise came — who to say the truth in the premises being sworn and charged upon their oaths do say That the said James Douglas is guilty of the Indictment in manner and form as afor[esaid]:

Judgment respited until the fourteenth day of September in plant.

On which said fourteenth day of September the said James Douglas was again Sett to the Barr being asked by the Court what he had to say why Judgment of Death should not pass against him according to law answered he had nothing to say But desired the Mercy of the Court.

Whereupon It is considered by the Court that the said James Douglas be taken from hence to the place from whence he came and from thence to the place of Execution and there to be hanged by the Neck until he be dead, Which Judgment was pronounced unto him by the Justices of the said Court.