seven hundred and Seventy eight a free male inhabitant within this State and above the age of eighteen years to wit at the County aforesaid on the tenth day of September in the year aforesaid to a congregation of people at the County aforesaid then assembled did at the said County unlawfully preach and teach the Gospel — altho' he the said Evan did not on or before the first day of March which was in the year aforesaid take and subscribe the oath or affirmation by an act entitled an Act for the better security of the Government required to be taken and subscribed by every free male person within this State above the age of eighteen years and although he the said Evan then and there that is to say at the time of his said preaching and teaching the Gospel as aforesaid was chargeable with the treble tax by the said Act imposed against the form of the Act in that case made and provided and against the peace Government & Dignity of the State

Luther Martin Attorney General

On the back of the aforegoing bill of Indictment was thus written Vizt. True Bill John Weatherburne foreman —

And now here at this day to wit the second Tuesday of May being the fourteenth day of the same month Anno Domini 1702 the said Evan Thomas being called upon appears at the bar of the Court here And being demanded how he of the Indictment aforesaid and premises above on him imposed would acquit himself saith that he is in no wise thereof guilty and for trial thereof puts himself upon the Country and Luther Martin Esquire the States Attorney General who for the same State in this behalf prosecuteth prays that it may be enquired of by the Country in like manner Whereupon for trying the issue aforesaid command is given to the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County that he immediately cause to come here twelve good and lawful men of his Bailiwick by whom &c. who neither &c. because as well &c. of which said precept the said Sheriff to wit Thomas Harwood Esquire makes return that he has here ready twelve &c. as by the said precept he was commanded to wit John Davidson John Stewart Peter Clarke Alexander Contee Samuel Tyler William Allein James Williams Charles Beatty Thomas Price John Worthington Hammond John Cromwell and William Worthington who being duly elected tried and sworn to say the truth in the premises upon their oath do say that the said Evan Thomas is not guilty of the premises in the Indictment aforesaid above on him imposed Therefore it is considered by the Judges here that the said Evan Thomas go hence and from the Indictment aforesaid and premises be altogether acquit and that he go thereof without day &c.

Test Thos B. Hodgkin Cl.

The State against Charles Washan & George Fleming } Memorandum. The Defendants sued out the States Writ of Certiorari the tenor whereof is as follows to wit —

The State of Maryland ss. To George Lindenberger and Peter Shepherd Esquires two of our Justices of our peace in the County of Baltimore and divers felonies trespasses and other misdeeds in the same County committed to hear and determine assigned Greeting We being willing that all presentments Indictments Recognizances and Inquisitions concerning certain trespasses and contempts —

against divers of the Statutes against forcable entries and detainers or any other articles or offences whereof Charles Washan and George Fleming stand indicted presented or complained of before you on the complaint of Mary Washan alias Mary Coughlin (as it is said) should be heard and determined before the Judges of our General Court and not elsewhere Do command you that all and singular the Indictments presentments recognizances and Inquisitions with all things concerning the same by whatsoever name the parties in the same are distinguished under your hands and seals ye send to our Judges of our General Court to be held at the City of Annapolis the second Tuesday of May next that our said Judges of our General Court may do therein that which of right is to be done Witness Nicholas Thomas Esquire one of the Judges of our said Court the 15th day of November Anno Domini 1700.

Issued 20th February 1701. (A Ridgely) Thos Brooke Hodgkin Cl.
Allowed by AC Hanson.

At which said second Tuesday of May being the eighth day of the same month Anno Domini 1701 George Lindenberger and Peter Shepherd two of the Justices of the peace for Baltimore County in pursuance of the writ of Certiorari aforesaid to them directed transmit to the Court here the following Inquisition to wit —

In obedience of the enclosed writ of Certiorari to us directed we do transmit the annexed Inquisition to the honourable Judges of the General Court of the State of Maryland and do certify that the same was taken on the day year and place therein mentioned In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals the 9th day of April 1701 —

Peter Shepherd
George Lindenberger

Baltimore County ss. An Inquisition for the State indented and taken at the house of Mary Washan otherwise called Mary Coghlin in the said County the nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and eighty one by the oaths of Robert Long William Lively Philip Miller Andrew Grangett Wm Askew Robert Ricks Thomas Constable James Bryson Thos Colegate Aaron Mattison Cornelius Garretson Francis Smith David Armstrong Benj. Swope Jacob Myers David Evans James Madiwell David Shields Jonathan Butler and John Deaver good and lawful men of the said County before George Lindenberger and Peter Shepheard Esquires two of the Justices of the said State assigned to keep the peace in said County and also to hear and determine divers felonies Trespasses and other misdemeanors in the said County committed who say upon their oath that the said Mary long since lawfully and peacibly was possessed in her demesne as of fee of and in one messuage and dwelling house of the said Mary with the appurtenances on Gay Street in Baltimore Town in the County aforesaid and her said possession so continued until Charles Washan and George Flemming late of the County aforesaid on the fourteenth day of February now last past with strong hand and armed power into the messuage and dwelling house aforesd with the appurtenances did enter and and her the said Mary thereof disseised and with strong hand expelled and her the said Mary so dispossessed and expelled from the said Messuage and dwelling with the appurtenances from the fourteenth day of February until the day of the taking of this Inquisition with like strong hand and armed power do keep out and do still keep out to the great disturbance of the peace and against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided —