

quoaicke, and for that there was not witnes produced to p^rve anything on eyther p^rte the Co^rt hath referred the examinaçon of the Contest to Cap^t *Baffe*[?] and hath retourned the same to the Gouverno^r and Councell at the next Quarter Co^rt heare holden.

George Vnwin aged thirty yeares or thereabouts sworne and exãied sayth that *Dorcas Howard* his maide being at worke in the grounde on *Monday* the two and twentieth daie of *March* last past, as this exãite taketh it, shee began to complaine that she was not well and being come into the howse shee fell very sick Wherevpon this dep^t demaunded of her what shee ayles who answered *I am very ill in my body*, and wished that her dame were wth her for her dame could giue her ease, then this dep^t demaunded of her if she were wth Childe to w^{ch} shee answered *noe* wherevpon this dep^t threatned to beate her if shee would not tell him the truth why she was soe payned and then p^rsently she confessed she was wth Childe and that *Rob^{te} Gage* was the ffather And [then] this exãite bade her goe to bed and asked her [to] call some weomen to her, but shee intreated [that] hee would not And in the morning (the said *Dorcas* being in bed) this exãite demaunded of her how shee did who answered *I haue had a mischance*, And then p^rsently hee came to his wife and tould her of it and asked her what hee should doe who bade him goe backe and call some weomen to view the Child. Wherevpon this dep^t sent for one *Moorecocks* wife who came and looked vpon it but whether it were borne aliue or deade this dep^t knoweth not, nor more to this matter cann hee depose.

Elizabeth Moorecocke the wife of *Reiginald Moorecocke* of the age of thirty yeares or thereabouts sworne and exãied sayth that *George Vnwin* came to this exãiate howse and tould her that her [his] maide was broughte a bed and had Carried out the Childe but had not buried it and desired this dep^t to come and view it wherevpon this depon^t went wth him and looked vpon the Childe w^{ch} was a boy, and the mould of the head was bruised, but for anyother thing this dep^t could p^rceave the Childe might bee borne alyve, and this is all this dep^t can depose in this matter.

At this Co^rt *George Vnwin* planter did acknowledge to owe vnto
This *Re* was our soveraigne Lord the King 40^{li} soveraigne *englishe* money wth
continewed till condiçon *Dorcas Howard* shall appeare at the Quarter Co^rt to bee
March Q^rter Co. holden at *James Citty*

At this Co^rt the Church wardens of the p^rishe of the lower p^rtes of *Eliz Citty* did p^rsent that *William Capps* and *John Sipse* p^risheioners there doe not repaire nor frequent the said p^rishe Church to heare dyvine service according to the lawes and orders of this Colony in such cases p^rvided, *It is therefore ordered* that for soe long tyme as it shall be p^rved that the said *Capps* and *Sipse* haue beene absent from the said Church, that they shall pay such fines as by an acte therefor made are p^rvided to be paid: the said fines to bee levied at the next Crop by way of distresse.

Exaiçons taken before *John Pott* Esq^r gouverno^r the 25th day of *March* A^o [1629]

ffrancis England of the age of twenty yeares or thereabouts sworne and exaiied faith That *Thomas Hall* (being exaiied by Cap^t: *Baffe* wether hee were man or woeman (as himselfe did confesse to this exaite) toulde this exãite that hee answered Cap^t: *Baffe* that hee was both man and woeman And this exaiiate further sayth that the said *Hall* being at *Atkins arbor* one *Nicholas* . . . asked him why hee went in weomans aparell the said *Hall* answered in the hearing of this dep^t *I goe in weomans aparell to gett a bitt for my Catt* And hee further sayth that there was a Rumo^r and Report that the said *Hall* did ly wth a maid of M^r *Richard Bennetts* called *greate Bessie* And hee likewise sayth that hee this exãite and one *Roger Rodes* being at the vpper plantaçon after it had beene rumored that the said *Hall* was a man and that hee was put in mans apparell the said *Hall* being then there with them, the said *Rodes* tould *Hall* *thou hast beene reported to be a woman and now thou art p^rved to bee a man, I will see what thou carriest*, Wherevpon the said *Rodes* laid hands vpon the said *Hall*, and this exãiate did soe likewise, and they threw the said *Hall* on his backe, and then this exãiate felt the said *Hall* and pulled out his members whereby it appeared that hee was a p^rfect man, and more hee cannot depose.

John

John Atkins of the age of 29 yeares or thereabouts sworne and exāied depofeth and fayth That *M^r Stacy* having reported that *Hall* now a fervante vnto this exāiate was as hee thought a man and woeman, not long after, the faid *Hall* (being then fervante to *Rob^t Eyros* and *John Tyos*) and being at *Nicholas Eyros* his howfe *Alice Longe* *Dorothee Rodes* and *Barbara Hall* being at that tyme in the faid howfe, vppon the faid Report did fearch the faid *Hall* and found (as they then faid) that hee was a man but the faid *Tyos* fwore the faid *Hall* was a woeman (as the faid *Dorothee Rodes* did often affirme vnto this depo^t Wherevppon *Cap: Baffe* exāied the faid *Hall* in the pⁿce of this dep^te whether hee were man or woeman, the faid *Hall* replied hee was both only hee had not the vfe of the mans p^rte . . . was a peece of flefhe growing at the . . . belly as bigg as the topp of his little finger [an] inch longe wherevppon *Cap^t: Baffe* Comanded [him] to bee put in woemans apparell, but the aforefaid fearchers were not fully refolved, but ftood in doubte of what they had formerly affirmed, and being (about the twelveth of *february*) at this exāiates howfe the faid *Hall* dwelling then wth him, and finding the faid *Hall* afleepe did againe fearch him and then allfoe found the faid *Hall* to bee a man and at that p^rsent[ly] called this exāiate to fee the proof thereof, but the faid *Hall* feeming to ftarre as if fhee had bene awake this exāiate left him and at that infant Could fee nothing But the *Sunday* following, thofe fearchers being againe affembled and the wife of *Allen Kinafton* and the wife of *Ambrofe Griffen* being in Company wth them were againe defirous to fearch the faid *Hall*, and having fearched him in the pⁿce [presence] of this Deponent did then likewise finde him to bee a man Wherevppon this exāiat asked him if that were all hee had to w^{ch} hee answered *I haue a peece of an hole* and therevppon this dep^t comanded him to lye on his backe and fhew the fame And the faid woemen fearching him againe did againe finde him to bee a man Wherevppon the f^t exāiate did Comaunde him to bee put into mans apparell And the day following went to *Captaine Baffe*, and tould him that the faid *Hall* was founde to bee a man and defired that hee might be punifhed for his abuse And this dep^t further fayth that the faid *Hall* (as this dep^t hath heard) did queftion the faid *Alice Long* for reporting that hee had layen wth a mayd of *M^r Richard Bennetts*, to w^{ch} fhee answered *I reported it not, but Penny[?] Tyos* his man reported foe much And this is all this exāiate can fay.

Thomas Hall exāied faith that hee being borne at or neere *Newcastle vppon Tyne* was as hee hath bene often tould Chriftned by the name of *Thomafine* and foe was called and went Clothed in woemans apparell there vntill the age of twelue yeares at w^{ch} age the faid Exāiat's mother fent him to his Aunte in *London* and there hee lyved ten[?] ye[ares] vntill *Cales* Ac^on, at w^{ch} tyme a brother of his being p^rffed for that fervice this exāiate Cut of his heire and Changed his apparell into the fafhion of man and went over as a fouldier in the *Ifle of Ree* being in the habit of a man, from whence when he was returned hee came to *Plymouth*, and there hee changed himfelfe into woemans apparell and made bone lace and did other worke wth his needle, and fhortly after Shipping being ready for a voyage into this Country hee Changed againe his apparell into the habit of a man and foe came over into this Country.

It was therevppon at this Co^rt ordered that it fhall bee publifhed in the planta^on where the faid *Hall* lyveth that hee is a man and a woeman, that all the Inhabitants there may take notice thereof and that hee fhall goe Clothed in mans apparell, only his head to bee attired in a Coyfe and Crofcloth[?] wth an Apron before him And that hee fhall finde fuerties for his good behavio^r from Quarter Co^rt to Quarter Co^rt vntill the Co^rt fhall difchardge him and *Cap^t Nathaniell Baffe* is ordered to fee this order executed accordingly.

ffor as much as Edward Waller did at this Co^rt comence his fuit againft *John Johnson* about the fale of a fowe and the taking away of a peece, and becaufe *Johnson* testified to this Co^rt that hee fent a pigg in p^rte of fatisfac^on and the peece by *Richard Dolphenby* to the faid *Edward Waller* the w^{ch} the faid *Waller* affirmed hee never received And for that the faid *M^r Waller* hath dyvers witneffes to examine in this Caufe w^{ch} at this Co^rt were not p^rsent *It is ordered* that the *Captain Smyth* fhall examine the faid *Dolphenby*
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