Mary Bush: The Examination of Mary Bush of Highgate in the county of Middlesex Widow 13 August 1698

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The Examincation of Mary Bush of Highgate in the County of Middlesex Widdow taken this 13th day of aug^t. 1698

Who saith that in or about March last past as this Examinant was going to {Redriff} she met with one M^r. Rob^t. Lacy who went with this Examinant {Redriffe} aforesaid, and in their return at the request of the said Lacy this Examinant let him the said Lacy a room in her house at Highgate and in two or three dayes after the said Rob^t Lacy, Mary his wife and one M^r. Thomas Read came to his Informant's house at Highgate and in a day or two afterwards this Examinant saw the said Robert Lacy and Mary his wife counterfeit the current coyn of this Kingdom by casting of shillings and the said Thomas Read was assisting to them in doing the same

And this Informant further sayth that about three years ago she this Examinant used to scour and wash for the said Rob^t. Lacy and Mary his wife who then lived in Bell Ally near Colemand Street. and this Examinant did and there see the said Rob^t Lacy and Mary his wife clip the Current Coyn of this Kingdom severall yeares

And this Examinant further sayth that upon her seeing the said Rob^t. Lacy and Mary his wife make counterfeit money as aforesaid She this Examinant told the said Lacy that if she had thought they would have made false money in her house she would not have let her Room to him but Mary the wife of the said Lacy {seem}ingly said that this Examinant should have the third part of the false money which they were coyned

This Examinant farther sayth that she hath been assisting to the said Rob^t. Lacy and his wife in Clipping the Currant Coyn of this Realm in a house in Petty France by Moor fields

the mark of Mary Bush