

At a Court of Oyer and Terminer Held at the Court House
On Tuesday the 15th Day of Decem^r. 1839. On the Trial of
Ben a Negro man Slave; Belonging to Allen Hines of the County
of Sussex, for feloniously breaking & entering the Store House of
Charles Briggs of this County; ~~in the night time that is to say~~
~~Between the Hours of 10 & 12 O'clock in the Evening of the~~
~~same Day as the 29th Day of September last that~~
~~the night time that is to say~~ On the Night of the 29th
Day of September last, and Stealing therefrom sundry
Goods, Clothing, Wearing apparell &c. To the value of about
Thirty Pounds —

Present

The Court being thus constituted the Prisoner was led to
the Bar under Custody of the Sheriff ~~of~~ of
~~the Sheriff~~ this County to whose Charge he is committed
& charged with the felony aforesaid, To which he ~~pleaded~~
Not Guilty and diverse Witnesses being sworn and examined
and the Prisoner heard in his own Defence, On consideration
whereof & the Circumstances of the Case It is The
opinion of the Court That