

And Willis a negro man slave belonging to John Wilkinson ^{another witness} being charged and sworn says that about a fortnight before the death of Summrell George one of the negroes belonging to John Wilkinson came to the plantation where he lived and told this witness that Summrell the old would be over taken before many days this witness asked George? how; he replied, Summrell would be shot this witness asked who would shoot him, George replied Henry one of the prisoners would shoot ^{him} and that Hercules the prisoner now at the bar of Aaron were going forth - this witness further says that on the Monday morning before Mr Summrell was found dead he went to the river with Mr Summrell and set him over after he had returned abt 15 yds from the river he heard a gun in the direction that Summrell the old usually passed from one plantation to the other And James Jackson of full age being charged and sworn says that suspecting Hercules the prisoner at the bar with George & others ~~more~~ ^{more} equally guilty of murdering Mr Summrell that he with George and Hercules who with Aaron after some time confessed that Mark had shot him & this witness with others and the prisoner Mark, George, and Henry went with him into the low ground of Meherin River and found the body lying in the mud & covered with logs. that there ^{were} ~~appeared~~ a number of shot wounds in his backst which appeared to be the occasion of his death; the body was also much bruised seemingly from strokes with sticks or other violence

And Aaron another witness belonging to James Wilkinson who was first charged and sworn says that in the spring of last year he heard George one of the prisoners propose a subscription of money to buy poison to give to Mr Summrell the old who was then their overseer and that Hercules and ~~that~~ Henry the prisoners & Big Anthony put in a $\frac{1}{4}$ of a dollar each to buy the poison that George procured some scorpions heads but this plot did not succeed owing ~~as~~ this witness supposes from Georges wife distroying the poison as she suspected it was for her. that abt a fortnight ³ weeks before the prisoner Mr Summrell was killed another