

other articles of merchandise to the value of five hundred dollars was taken thereon & that the prisoner was in the store a considerable part of the day on which the offence was committed -

The evidence being thus close on the part of the commonwealth, and the prisoner being fully heard by counsel - The court after hearing the testimony and all the circumstances of the case are of opinion that the prisoner is guilty of the Burglary whereof he stands charged, and that he be taken from hence to the place from whence he came, and from thence to the place of usual execution ^{between the town of Dorchester & from Black Point of that county} on the 16th day of June next, and that he be then and there hanged by the neck till he is dead - Dead - Dead - and the lord have mercy on his soul -

Now? The court value the said slave to the value of four hundred Dollars - and in consideration of the the circumstances in this, that the testimony adduced on the part of the com^d in this case ^{being} altogether circumstantial, yet in the opinion of the court sufficiently strong to produce conviction, nevertheless the court from a mature consideration of the case think it proper that recommend the Executive to commute his punishment into Transportation -

Benj. Folsom

At a court held for the county of Southampton ~~county~~ on the 21st day of May 1811

Pres^t Jeremiah Cobb, Benj^t Cobb, barr Bower Jacob Darden

and Benjamin Griffin & William Edgworthy Gent^s

Benjamin Cobb, James Rochelle, Jacob Darden, Sime Jones, barr Bower, Mr. Rick, William E. Daughtrey, Richard Blunt, Clement Rochelle, Mrs. B. Goodwyn, Henry Applewhite, Joshua Pellow & John Thomas are by the court appointed School

Commissioners for this county and it is ordered that the Sheriff of this county notify them of their appointments respectively - and that they attend at the court on the first Saturday in June next.

Robert Goodwyn & Henry Binley produced to the court the clerk's receipt for the Tax imposed by law on Ordinary Keepers - Therefore it is ordered that they leave leave to keep an ordinary at their homes respectively, till the first day of May next on their giving bond & security - At appearing to the satisfaction of the court that they are persons of good character and not addicted to vice or gambling

Absent Jeremiah Cobb, Benj^t Cobb Pres^t Mr. Rick Gent^s

Benj^t Cobb is by the court appointed Guardian for Mrs. J. James & Nicholas etc. and Nancy M. E. Schell orphan of James Schell dec^d. who gave bond & duty. Pres^t Jeremiah Cobb, Benj^t Cobb, Silas Immanuel, Francis Priestly, absent Mr. Rick & Mr. Edgworthy Gent^s -

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