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Present William B. Brodrige, James W. Parker, James Treguant.

Alexander J. Duke & Joseph J. Glance. <sup>Gent.</sup>  
The Court being thus constituted, the prisoner Nathan the property of the Estate of Benjamin Blunt esq<sup>r</sup> was set to the bar in custody of the Sheriff of this County and the Court with signs James S. French Esq<sup>r</sup> Counsel for the prisoner in his defense, and the said Nathan being arraigned of the premises pleaded not guilty to the information, and,

Daniel a negro boy slave being sworn and charged as a witness for the Commonwealth says that he and the prisoner was confined in the jail of Granville County during which confinement the prisoner was attempting to escape, that the prisoner said he had been present when the master had been committed by the insurgents - the prisoner had blood on his hands which he said he had told the white people was citizen

Moses a negro boy slave was sworn and charged as a witness for the prisoner, and says that the prisoner went unwillingly - that he committed no murder, and he thinks had no opportunity to escape and remained with the negroes till they dispersed.

The Court after hearing hearing the testimony and from all the circumstances of the case are unanimously of opinion that the prisoner is guilty in manner and form as in the information against them is set forth and it being demanded of the prisoner if any thing for himself he had or knew to say why the Court should not proceed to pronounce judgment against him according to Law and nothing being offered or alleged in delay of judgment it is considered by the Court that the prisoner be taken hence to the jail from which he was taken thence to be safely confined until Monday the twelfth day of September instant on which day between the hours of ten O'clock in the morning and two O'clock in the afternoon the prisoner is to be taken by the Sheriff to the usual place of execution and there be hanged by the neck until he be dead. And the Court value the said Slave Nathan to the sum of three hundred and twenty five dollars.

Nathan, Tom and Davy negro boys slaves the property of Nath<sup>r</sup> Francis was then set to the bar in custody of the jailor of this County and having appeared of the prisoner pleaded not guilty to the information, <sup>Thomas M. Gray</sup> and William C. Parker and James S. French being signed by the Court Counsel for the prisoners, and

Moses a negro boy slave being charged and sworn as a witness for the Commonwealth - says that the three prisoners were taken from Nath<sup>r</sup> Francis and placed one behind each of the Company - that they went unwillingly but continued with them the whole of Monday - witness

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