

Testimony of Edward Beaton, of Amanda Chaves & Polly Chaves free negroes who were born free in this County as appears by the testimony of Wm. Molloy & Moses Peltan who was born free in this County as appears by his former register.

The commissioners appointed to reduce to writing a contract between this County and Edward Beaton for the rebuilding of the Cypress bridge. This day made their report of having received the said bridge, the same being completed which report is received by the Court, and it is ordered that the Sheriff of this County pay to him (the said Edward Beaton) the sum of seven hundred dollars the amount levied for him at the last term Term & also that the said Sheriff out of any contingent money in his hands not otherwise appropriated pay to the said Edward Beaton fifty dollars for extra work on said bridge.

The Court with assign Jonathan T. Griffin, Guardian to Henry Brown orphan of Esith Brown, dec. whereupon he gave bond & security according to Law.

On the motion of N. J. Smith ^{placit} guardian of Anna Harrison his allowed to expend the sum of one hundred & fifty dollars of the principal of his said ward's estate for his support &c for the year 1852.

On the motion of N. J. Smith guardian of Harrison Parker he is allowed to expend the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars of the principal of his said ward's estate for his support &c for the years 1852 & 1853.

Ordered that the black register William & John Evans, free negroes, who were born free in this County as appears by the testimony of John A. Dumas.

Present Howell Harris & James Holmes.

Calab Arts, a free man of colour who stands charged with a felony by him committed in this County and within the jurisdiction of this Court, in this that he did on the 28th or 29th day of August in the year 1853, in the said County, wilfully, unlawfully, and of his malice kill one John Whitehead (a free negro) by inflicting divers wounds on the said Whitehead by stabbing him with a stick or knife and by striking him divers blows with his hands or fists. was this day set for the bar in the custody of the Sheriff of this County. & On the motion of the Attorney for the Commonwealth it is ordered that the proceedings in this case be quashed and that the prisoner be handed over to a Justice of the peace of this County to be dealt with according to Law.

Present, Howell Harris.

Present, Edward Beaton, Alfred J. Bittle, Seth A. Bishop, John Burham, Wm. Bonus, Benjamin B. Kinder, Joseph W. Island, James M. a Jett, Peter J. Holmes, Elijah Jones, John Cobb.