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Ordered that the black register, standing South, Martha Scott & John Scott free negroes, who were born free in this County as appears by the testimony of Jacob Jordan, John Turner, free negro, who was born free in this County as appears by the testimony of Thos. B. Worrell, and Albro, Dean Briggs, free negro, who was born free in this County as appears by the testimony of R. D. Drew.

Ordered that the Account of W^m R. Stephenson Constable of this County amounting to eighteen dollars & ninety five cents be certified to the Auditor of Public Accounts for his examination & payment.

The Commissioners appointed to act conjointly with Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Isle of Wight County to receive proposals for the repairs of the embankment at Russell's bridge over Blackwater river. This day reported that the said repairs had been let out, completed & received, which report is received & ordered to be filed.

James N. Pusey, Seth R. Turner, Fortunatus Dunn, Thos. H. Bishop, Alex. B. Myrick, W^m W. Briggs, Joseph C. Gillette, Giles S. Whiting, O. B. Mayet, Shugars Linn, W. C. F. Stephenson & Thomas S. Boykin are appointed School Commissioners for this County for the year next ensuing and the Sheriff is directed to notify them of their appointment.

Caleb Artis, free negro, who stands charged with a felony by him committed in the County of Southampton and within the jurisdiction of this Court, in this: That he did on the 27th day of June in the year 1853, in the said County, wilfully feloniously and of his malice kill one John Whitehead by inflicting divers wounds on the person of the said Whitehead with a knife or dirk, and inflicting further blows and injuries on the said Whitehead with his hands and fists, was this day set to the bar in custody of the Sheriff of this County and the Court having heard the evidence are of opinion that the said Caleb Artis ought to be tried for the offense of which he stands charged before the Circuit Court of Southampton County. And the said Caleb Artis is remanded to jail.

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till the first day of the next Term.
R. D. Drewy for Justice

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