

giving security. Whereupon the said Timothy Atkinson with William Linghart & John Clayton her securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Five thousand pounds for the due & faithful administration of the said decedent's estate & performance of his will.

Ordered that Philip Moody, John Tindrous, Benjamin Britt and James Jenkins or any three of them being first sworn before a justice of the peace for this county do appraise in current money the slaves if any, and personal estate of Timothy Atkinson decd. and return the appraisement to the next court.

An indenture of possession between John Speed of the one part and Matthew Wells of the other part with the receipt were proved by the oath of Rich^d. Murphy ^{one of the witnesses thereto} and having been before at a court held on the 11th day of June 1777 proved by the oaths of Simon Murphy and Thomas Lawrence the other witnesses thereto, is ordered to be recorded.

Charles Briggs returned his accounts of his guardianship of Frances Briggs Peterson, Henry Daves of Arthur Long, Joel Daves of Sally Davis, Elizabeth Philips of Aaron Philips' orphans, William Spiby of Anna Vaper, Henry Taylor of Samuel Taylor, John Powell of Denny Powell, John Jackson son of John Jackson orphans of George Jackson decd, Howell Harris of David Newsum's orphans, Henry Williams of Joshua Vick's orphans & Charles Jopner of William Jopner which accounts were severally examined and approved by the court in so far as to by the guardians and ordered to be recorded.

Ordered that the court be adjourned till court in course.

The minutes of these proceedings were signed by
Ja^s. Ridley.

Old court held for the county of Southampton the 11th day of Decem^r 1777.

Present. Mr. James
Ja^s. Ridley

Nicholas Magel
Clerk to the Court & Gallen