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said John H. Bond with John Turby his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Three thousand pounds for securing the said orphans estate and indemnifying the court.

Ordered that the churchwardens of the parish of Nottoway bind out  
+ Abraham, Jesse, Benjamin, Mathew and Miles Bradley orphans of John Bradley dead: according to law.

Ordered that William Thomas, John Thomas Blon and Thomas Edwards or any two of them let the building an additional arch to the south end of the bridge now existing across Nottoway river near this place or making a cause way as may appear most convenient to them and make report thereof to this court.

Ordered that John Wilkinson, William Whitehead and John Forsell or any two of them view the repairs of a bridge across the flat swamps near John Wilkinsons and report whether the same are completed according to the agreement with the letters.

William Wigham, Edwin Gray, William Hines, Benjamin Ruffin, Lewis Joyner, Micajah Holliman, Richard Kello, Benjamin Clements and Thomas Butts this day appeared and took the oaths of Vestrymen of the parish of Nottoway.

Ordered that the Sheriff of this county hire out the negroes belonging to the orphans of John Porter dead: till the first day of January next and make report thereof to this court.

Ordered that Richard Bailey be appointed overseer of the road from  
+ the county line to Osborne Branches

Ordered that the court be adjourned till the court in course.

The minutes of these proceedings were signed

Teste  
J<sup>no</sup> M. Haupmann D. 6  
Henry Taylor

A court held for the county of Southampton the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 1779

Present Benj<sup>o</sup> Ruffin Benj<sup>o</sup> Blount & Gentlemen.  
Elias Herring John Rogers

Henry Taylor Esq<sup>r</sup> county lieutenant this day appeared and resigned his commission

John Taylor one of the commissioners of the tax elected for this county this day appeared and offering sufficient reasons to the court is permitted to resign. Whereupon the court proceeded to choose Edwin Gray Esq<sup>r</sup> a commissioner of the tax for this county pursuant to an act of Assembly in that case made and provided; and thereupon the said Edwin Gray having first taken the oath prescribed by the said act was sworn commissioner of the tax accordingly.