

Geleah Washington this day appeared and qualified as a constable according to law

Ordered that the court be adjourned till to morrow 9 o'clock
The minutes of these proceedings were signed by

Festo James Geo
Sam Wells &c

At a court of oyer and terminer held for the county of Sumner
on the 19th day of October 1802 for the trial of Charles a negro
man slave the property of James Turner of North Carolina charged with having felon-
ously broken open and entered the houses of Miggins Widow
of the county of Southampton aforesaid on the evening of
the 2nd instant and therefrom stealing sundry clothes
to wit a coat 10 whiteat shirt and a breeching &c

Present Josiah Nick John Magistrate
Robert Mabry Joseph Ruffin
and William Blow

The prisoner was set to the bar by the sheriff of this county
charged with the felony aforesaid to which he pleaded not
guilty and Miggins Widow a witness being summoned
behalf of the commonwealth and the prisoner heard by
council in his own defence on considerations whereof
all the circumstances of the case it is the opinion of the
court that the prisoner is guilty of the theft aforesaid and
the prisoner being asked what he had to say why sentence
of death should not be passed on him claimed the benefit of
clergy which is granted him whereupon the court said
that the prisoner should be bound in the hand which
accusingly received by the sheriff in open court and that he
receive thirty nine lashes on his bare back with a raw
that the sheriff do the same performance which being
done upon it is ordered that he be discharged
The minutes of these proceedings were signed by Robert Mabry