

Thomas Prettor Govt. who hath been appointed a Justice of the Peace for the County of Southampton by Commission from near the hand of William Cary Nichols Esquire Governor or Chief magistrate of this Commonwealth with seal of the Commonwealth thereto affixed. This day appears in Court and took the oaths of fidelity to the Commonwealth, the Federal oaths of Office and the oaths to support the Constitution of the United States — which oaths he did to be witness of record.

Be it known by all and sundry that Thomas Prettor Govt. I do witness

James McGrath of this County deceased being intestate possessor of a small estate upon which no plan or will was made. It is ordered that the Sheriff take charge of Estate into his hands and cause thereof as the law directs, and return an account thereof to this Court.

The Person appointed by a former order of this Court to view the lands through which a road is proposed to be run by Benjamin M. Johnston the say Person made their report in the words and figures following to wit —

"Agreeable to an order of Southampton Court holding date July 1815 now Benjamin Blunt and James Powell being first sworn, have viewed the convenience and inconveniences that will result as well to inhabitants, as to the communication by turning the road near the Cog Keys, upon Benjamin M. Johnston's petition and make the following report. The new road will run for about forty years, upon the eastern end of Sarah Barnes' land which said land has not been cultivated, and he has informed us, that she intended leaving that part of her land for a lane, for her own convenience or consider the new road, will be considerable, convenient, and advantage to Bury and M. Johnston, and also think also, that the Commonwealth will sustain but a very little inconvenience, if any, from the new road as it will ^{not} be more than a hundred yards further, and with a little labour, may be made a good road. Given under our hands this 17th July 1816 — Benjamin Blunt James Powell" Whereupon It is Ordered that the said Benjamin M. Johnston have leave to open and turn the said a path or road agreeable to the report of the Commissioners. Which is ordered to be witness of record.

Rowan Pope is assigned judgment to Jane Beale orphan of William and was together with George Waller and John Barrett his Securitie entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Two Thousand Dollars, with condition according to Law.

On the motion of Major Thorpe who made oath and together with George Day and John Day his Securitie entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Two Thousand Dollars, condition as the Law directs but which is granted him for claiming letters of administration Debent on the estate of John Thorpe deceased in due form —