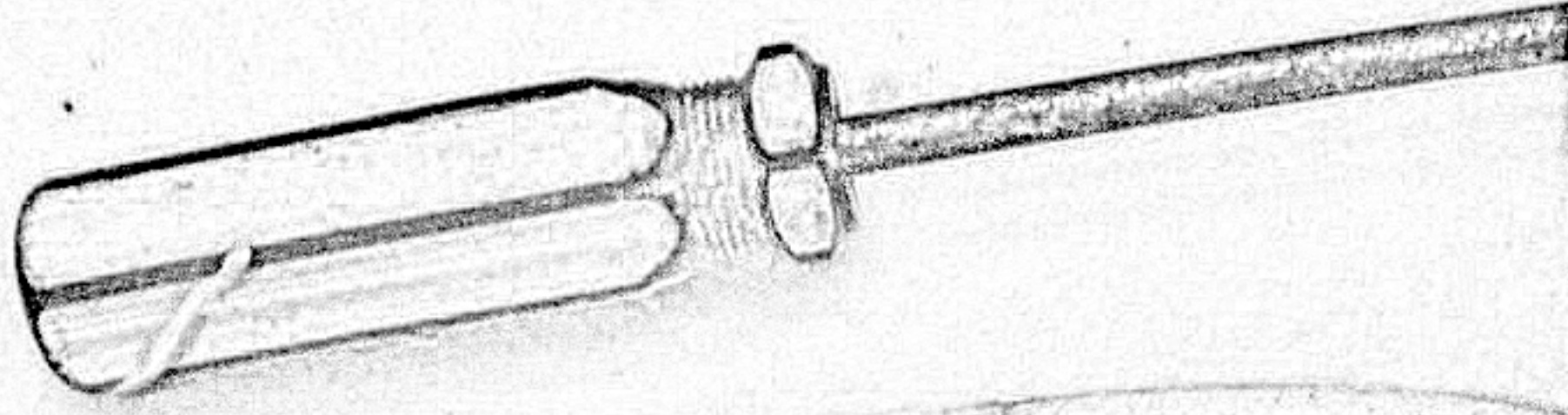




At a Court of Ayers and Termiers, Summoned and held for the County of Southampton the 7th day of November 1897 for the trial of a negro man Slave belonging to the Estate of John Davis and his wife Felony — Present Jeremiah Cobb, Benjamin Devaney, Benjamin Griffin, Thomas Patton and Clements Rochelle.

The prisoner said was set to the bar by the Sheriff of this County into whose custody he was heretofore committed together with the Felony aforesaid and being thereof arraigned pleaded not guilty and for his trial put himself upon his God and Country. Thereupon witnesses were sworn on behalf of the Commonwealth, and examined the premises to wit, Benjamin Williams and Drury Cotton and Drury Cotton the property of Drury Cotton. The Court after hearing the testimony and all the circumstances of the case and of opinion that the prisoner is guilty of the Felony whereof he stands charged. It is therefore ordered proclamation being made in the manner is, that the said Court do discharge the said prisoner from his imprisonment. Signed Jerr. Cobb.

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A. M. Jodder

At a Court called Summoned and held for the County of Southampton the 7th day of November 1897 for the examination of William Davis and his wife Felony — Present Jeremiah Cobb, Benjamin Devaney, Benjamin Griffin, Thomas Patton and Clements Rochelle.

William Davis the prisoner was this day set to the bar by the Sheriff of this County into whose custody he was heretofore committed. Thereupon witnesses appeared on behalf of the Commonwealth (to wit, John Cook, Willis Bowers and Benjamin Davis) being sworn and examined touching the premises. Whereupon the Court after hearing the testimony and all the circumstances relative to the case and of opinion as the case appears to them that the prisoner may and ought to be tried for the said offence at the next quarter Session Court and he be held for this County.

Be it remembered that John Cook, Willis Bowers and Benjamin Davis here in Court acknowledged themselves indebted unto his Excellency the Governor or Chief Magistrate of this Commonwealth, in the sum of one thousand pounds (sum of the County) each, of their respective servants goods and chattels to be levied and to the said Governor and his heirs for the use of the Commonwealth rendered. Yet upon the condition that if the said John Cook, Willis Bowers and Benjamin Davis personally appear before the Justices of our County Court of Southampton the Court house on the third Monday in the present month of November and there to give such evidence on behalf of the Commonwealth as

they and each of them know and shall not be bound by the Court there, this obligation is hereby void, or else to be signed.

At a Court of greater Session held for the County of November 1897 — Present Jeremiah Cobb, Benjamin Devaney, Benjamin Griffin, Thomas Patton and Clements Rochelle.

James Jones and Catherine his wife administrator and of Edmund Wood and wife who was surviving obligor of a bond in expiring the said bond when required.

Samuel Magt Surviving obligor of Elizabeth Smith and against James Jones and Catherine his wife administrator and of Edmund Wood and wife who was surviving obligor of a bond in expiring the said bond when required.

This day Cause Plaintiff by his attorney and on the motion of the said defendant they please payment of Indebtedness and fully amount of one thousand dollars to which the Plaintiff by his attorney being joined the trial thereof is referred.

The last will and Testament of Robert Jones by the oaths of Joseph Bupton, Drury Cotton, Benjamin Williams, George B. Jones, John M. Tilton, John S. Jones, Ely Byrnes, Allen Edwards, Jackson James Ellis, James Whithead and Samuel Johnson. one of the parties called quaker being sworn of August upon the body of this County were sent out of Court and after some time returned — An Indictment against William Davis at the Fork of the road at James Jackson.

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