

Ordered that Howell Nicholas guardian to James & Elliott Warden pay to David Newman the sum of sixty two dollars and thirty five cents the amount of the account and account with the Court.

Absent Jacob Darden, William Mikes, Elias Sumner, William D. Gardner, Peter Booth, James Clayton, Lawrence Cobb, William Briggs, William L. Everett, Sam. Boners, Thos. Ridley, George Stines, Alexander Peete & Samuel B. Herries. Court:—

An Inventory and Appraisement of Ephraim Turners estate was this day returned and ordered to be recorded.

On the petition of John Boykin for leave to build a water grist mill and dam and other machinery across Tarrarrah Creek in this County. This day came the said John Boykin and the Sheriff returned an inquest taken pursuant to a writ of ad quod damnum to him issued, which inquest was these words to wit:— "Inquest in and taken this 7 day of August 1824 by virtue of a writ of ad quod damnum issued from the County Court of Sampson directed to the Sheriff of S^d County to summon twelve freeholders of S^d County to act as jurors to ascertain all the damages that might accrue in erecting a mill in S^d County by John Boykin across the creek called Tarrarrah Creek, and the jury namely, Lawrence Cobb, Richard Darden, Davis Bryant, William Bryant, Williams Micks, Exum Micks, Nathan Pope, James Powell, Augustin Pope, William Ferguson, William Whitfield and John Pope do say on their charge giving according to Law, that they had viewed the lands of John Boykin proposed for an abutment for a mill dam to be built by the S^d John Boykin, and also have located and circumscribed by proper metes and bounds one acre of the lands of the said John Boykin adjoining the abutment of said dam, which acre of land is bounded as follows to wit, Beginning at a Birch or new corner made standing on the North side of the Tarrarrah Creek in John Boykin's land, thence S 86 E 12 1/2 poles to a persimmon tree, a new corner made in the said John Boykin's land thence N 25 E 12 1/2 poles to a sassafras post a new corner made, thence S 25 W 12 1/2 poles to the first station, and have appraised the acre of land to five dollars. We have also examined the lands of Rich^d Blunt and which which is above the S^d mill dam, which is all the lands of the proprietors above S^d dam that will be overflowed, and the damage on that overflowed we have appraised to sixty dollars. And we further state the mansion house of the S^d proprietor, nor the Office, outbuildings, or gardens thereunto immediately belonging, or orchards will be overflowed. And also in our opinion fish of passage and ordinary navigation will not be obstructed. And also we fully believe that the health of the neighbours will not be annoyed by the stagnation of the waters. Given under our hands and Seals this day and date above written. Law. Cobb (Seal) Richard Darden (Seal), Davis Bryant (Seal), William Bryant (Seal), Wm Micks (Seal) Exum Micks (Seal) Nathan Pope (Seal), James Powell (Seal), Augustin Pope (Seal) Williamth Ferguson (Seal), W. D. Whitfield (Seal), John Pope (Seal). Chas. A. Briggs Dep^{mark} of Jere Cobb Clk. At 13 We the Jury do also believe that the erection of this mill be of great public utility. Whereupon it is ordered that the said petition be continued till the next Court.