

At a court summoned and held for the county of Southampton, on the 15th of Decr 1815
 man (the property of Edwin Island) who stands charged with feloniously, taking, stealing, and
 carrying a way out of the possession of Henry Pope four or five gallons of Brandy -
 Present Silas Sumner, Jacob Barnes, Alexander P. Peto, Henry Applewhite and
 Sophia Darden Gent.

The court being then constituted the prisoner was due to the bar in ^{the} custody of the Sheriff of
 this county into whose custody he was heretofore committed and charged with the felony aforesaid
 and being thereof arraigned pleaded not guilty, and for his trial put himself upon God
 and his ^{court} and thereupon oaths were sworn & examined on behalf of the crown
 Touching the premises to wit, Henry Pope & others - and the prisoner being fully heard by
 William H. Broadnax who was by the court assigned his counsel - The court after hearing
 the testimony & all the circumstances of the case are of opinion that the prisoner is not guilty of
 the felony whereof he stands charged and thereupon proclamation being made as the manner
 is and nothing further appearing or being alleged against him it is ordered that he be
 forthwith discharged from further prosecution in this behalf and it is ordered that Edwin
 Island pay Mr. H. Broadnax Seventy Dollars for defending said negro man Henry

Silas Sumner

\$1.75 cent paid
 by Mr. S. Evans
 for recording - 01

Shant Silas Sumner Present Benj. Griffin Gent
 Washington to Evan Des the Hand writing of Howell Beel a witness thereto being
 proved by Silas Sumner it is ordered that said Beel is to
 upon the petition of John Baykin it is ordered that the writ of A.D.D. be awarded
 him according to Law commanding the Sheriff to summon a Jury to go on the
 premises in the petition mentioned on the day of January next & proceed thereon
 according to Law.

On the motion of Hawkins Pond Guardian to the orphan of Bathurst Pond rec.
 It is ordered that James B. Wilson be summoned to the next court to show cause if any
 he can why he should not be attached for failing to return the custody of the said
 wards to said Pond their Guardian -
 + Ordered that Howell Nicholson Guardian to the orphan of John Birdsey rec.
 return an account of said wards, &c.
 + Ordered that the court be adjourned till court in course

Silas Sumner

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 court next
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 Parate orphan of
 Pope & Bela Esmerith
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 to bond
 or any 3 apprais
 his guardian
 Bailey his guardian
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 account of
 in Puttway, Henry
 to effect & report
 up guardian act.
 Barnes,