

that they be served with a copy of this order and be required to appear at the next Court and take the oath the law requires.

The Commissioners appointed by a previous order of the Court to examine and report the most eligible road for a road and site for a bridge across the Halloway River at Jerusalem this day made the following Report: "The Commissioners named in the annexed orders, having performed the duties assigned, make the following Report: We have (believing it to be the most eligible road) made a careful examination from that point of the road at which it is intersected by the Indian line (near James M. Parker's) along said line to the River, near Hogeman's old line place; from thence up the bank of the River near the boat spring, to the most practicable point at which a Road could be made to intersect with the Petersburg or Smithfield road; and are of opinion that it would be highly inexpedient to change the present location of the road to that or any other. Whilst the Commissioners disclaim all intention suggesting any plan for the guidance of the Court, they nevertheless believe it to be within the scope of the duties assigned them, to express frankly their opinions. If economy, convenience and safety to the public be, as we conceive they will be, the principles by which the Court will be influenced, we do not doubt but it will agree with the Commissioners in the opinion that, it will be preferable to bridge the entire low-groves from the bridge at Jerusalem, to the Indian Path, to a change of the location of the road; and will be more so, to dam them. Indeed we very much incline to the opinion that a dam extending from the bridge over the River, across the Slough on the West side of the middle Bridge, would abate the principal difficulties of crossing at almost any stage of water. Not considering the probable expense of bridging or damming to be within the scope of our inquiries, we have not sought to ascertain. Respectfully submitted to the Court: James M. Parker, James Lamb." And it is ordered that the said Report and all the proceedings in the case be referred to William D. Wood, Thomas B. Norrell & William H. Nicholson three of the Road Commissioners for this County and that they report thereupon.

The Commissioners appointed at the last Court to report a plan for a Jail for this County, this day made the following report: "The Committee appointed by the Court of Southampton County at their last term, to propose to the Court, a plan for the erection of a Jail, for the said County, have, according to order, had that subject under their consideration, and have come to the following report: Your Committee would propose a House to be built precisely on the old foundation, thirty four feet by twenty, two stories high, with two rooms above and two below, of hewed white oak logs ten inches square, the lower story nine feet between the floor and the ceiling, and the upper story eight feet. All the logs to be duffed together, the partitions as well as the side walls. The grooves and upper floors to be of solid logs of the same size, and all the Rooms to be ceiled with two inch white oak seasoned planks, spaced on. The Windows across and internal arrangement of the House, to be the same as that of the former Jail. The out side of the House, to be weather boarded at some subsequent period when the Walls shall have become ready to be taken down, and that a permanent brick Wall of height, be erected around the said house in the manner of the former wood building. All of which is most respectfully submitted. Given under our hands this 18th day of May 1836" James Clayton
Chas. Rogers' Saml. Lowrey" L. D. Haysburg" Jos. Leland"

Abraham Jeremiah Cobb, Jacob Barnes, James Clayton, James D. Haysburg, James Mayet, Court
Rogers, J. P. Parker, William Briggs, George A. Parkman, Gent.

Present Jeremiah Cobb - Abrah

The Court upon consideration of the Report, with this view, and that the Jail should be erected that the Commissioners do after giving reasonable notice upon the plan recommended, of the undertaker, conditioned to complete receive the same and order that the aforesaid County of them as aforesaid do move of the Public Square which meet Court of which sitting may the Commissioners may same proper

Abraham Jeremiah Cobb Present

Ordered that Jeremiah Cobb be take care of the old iron & Cobb will be allowed a reason Cobb be also authorized to use able for their true value.

Present Jeremiah Cobb. Sent

On motion of J. J. Beecher James Rockelle and late Clerk is with the said Clerk, being due her for the support

Thibeckryck
against

Robert T. Musgrave administrator in the behalf by the Court rich and.

This day the cause was bill answers & exhibited and were that Edwin D. Chad, Esq. attol to Thibeckryck on sight & specified with one of the slaves of said and will be ready to satisfy the

Ordered that Master Commissioner Rockelle's examination of matter, specially stated, be done.