

Ordered that James M. Corbitt, Treasurer of this County  
out of the County Treasury pay to Wm. M. Beaton, assignee of  
John W. H. Garrison, the sum of Five Hundred and forty dollars  
(\$540.00) for the repairs of Bridge near Dyking across Tarrus  
Creek, and the Bridge across Little Swamp near M. A. Briddle.

Charles E. Knight who was appointed at the last term of this  
Court a Special Commissioner, to look to the correct maintenance  
the keeping in repairs of the Embankment on the West side  
of a Votaway River, at Jerusalem, this day made the following  
Report, to wit, "To the Honorable J. W. Vreeland Judge of the  
County Court of Southampton County, Va. Sir, In compliance  
of an Order at March term 1874, I beg leave to state to  
you that I have proceeded to look to the lowest bed of the  
repairs of the Bridges so far as protecting the abutments  
where they are now under repairing and washing up,  
because the bottom silt or mudsills were not buried low-  
enough by 2 or 3 feet and if not protected will surely wash  
away, and the Embankment to be kept, (after being filled  
and Holy Sealed the washes from rain fill) for one year  
for the sum of Eighty Six dollars, R. H. Polystie the Undertaker,  
and for five years as above, for five years at \$90 per year,  
payable yearly, D. J. Watkins the Undertaker, to be built with  
a Breakwater 30 feet long 12 ft wide and Top, 30 ft Broad  
at an angle of 45 degrees and the whole as above adding  
\$90, \$188 (\$90 per year D. J. Watkins \$290.00 for two years)  
and to be built according to the plan of Page and \$499.00  
and to build it complete according to the whole Spec-  
ification and Contract, with everything included according  
to Contract, that is to build a Breakwater Rais the stone  
dam across H. P. Phipps field from old dam to old dam,  
18 in 1 Degree and set true at the Specifications  
(\$499.00) R. H. Polystie Undertaker. This plan I  
am bound to recommend for several good reasons. 1<sup>st</sup> It does not  
cost very little more 2<sup>nd</sup> It will beyond doubt secure the embankment  
the whole of it. 3<sup>rd</sup> It is not settled and will shrink, partly, it is  
not as it seems, High enough by 18 inches, this I am per-  
fectly satisfied on, and besides it will form a set aside all  
discontenting claims on the Embankment and without fear  
of contradiction it will be the best and greatest Economy  
to the County, it will then be complete to the Main Land  
beyond Cypress gate Bridge and will hereafter cost much  
less to keep it in repair every year, for instance the bill  
I as Commissioner can do is to keep it up for one