

State of Missouri 3rd fl
County of Callaway Gavelton township
To any constable of Gavelton township
in Callaway County Greeting

Whereas it has come to our knowledge
the the dead body or remains of a body
of some person unknown to us, supposed
to be the body or remains of the body of Rob-
ert Newsom late of the County of ^{of Calverton} Frederick
has been found, in the County of Callaway
aforesaid, and it having been suggested
to us that the said unknown person came
to his death by violence at the hands
of some person or persons unknown to us

Now therefore you are commanded
to summon six good and lawful men
householders of the above mentioned town-
ship forthwith to be and appear before
us at the late residence of Robert News-
om in said township then and there
upon the view of the body or remains
of the said person then lying dead
to inquire how and by whose hands
or by what cause he came to his death
and hereof fail not. Given under
our hands this 25th day of June 1855

Dm Whyle JD

Isaac P. Bowen J.P.

We authorise Felix J. Nichols to Ex-
ecute and return this warrant
this 25th day of June AD 1855 -

DW Mch'te J.P.
J. P. Howe J.P.

Given the within warrant as I am within
commanded by summons the following
named persons Geo A. Thomas
Daniel Robinson Bro Wells Simpson
Hester Geo Brown & John Harrington
Attest 25th day of June 1855 -

Given to & subscribed
before us this 25th day
of June AD 1855 -

Felix J. Nichols

DW Mch'te J.P.
J.P.

Warrant
for Mch'te

State of Missouri 3rd p
County of Callaway } p Request
Before D M Whetstone & L P Howe
Justices of the peace for Cedar Township
in Callaway County

We George H Thomas Daniel Robinson
son John Wells Simpson Hyton George
Brown & John Carrington summoned
empanelled and sworn before D M Whetstone
and L P Howe Justices of the peace of the
said County of Callaway, diligently to inquire
and true presentment make how by whose
hand, or by what cause the person or remains
of a person now lying dead before us came
to his death, upon our oaths aforesaid
do say that from the evidence we believe
the remains of the human body now
before us are the remains of the body
of Robert Newsom and that he
came to his death by being struck
in his head twice with a stick or
Club by his own negro woman
named Celia which we do certify
to the said Justices this 25th day of
June AD 1855-

George H Thomas
Daniel ^{Wells} Robinson
John ^{Wells} Simpson Hyton
George Brown
John Carrington

State of Missouri
County of Callaway

We D M Whete and J P Howe Justices of
the Peace for Cedar township and the County
of Callaway aforesaid, do hereby certify that the
written and foregoing verdict, signed by Geo H Thom-
as Daniel Robinson John J Wells Simpson Hyten
George Brown and John Barrington is the same
verdict that was rendered before us as Justices of
the Peace for said County on the 25th day of June 1855—
by the Jurors aforesaid, upon the view of the body
or remains of the said deceased person, duly examined
and then and there by us duly viewed, and compared
for that purpose, and we do further certify that the
testimony of William F Powell James C Hauncott
and Adlier a slave, witnesses heard under oath
before the Jurors aforesaid, was then and there com-
pared to writing by us, and signed by the said wit-
nesses and is now herewith returned with the
said Verdict.

Done at the County aforesaid this 25th day
of June A.D. 1855— D M Whete J P
Isaac P Howe J.P.

D W. Whete
A. P. Howe
J. P.

State of Missouri ³
County of Callaway ³

David Newsom being duly
sworn says he has reason to believe
and does believe that on the or about
the 23^d day of June AD 1855 at the
County of Callaway aforesaid Robert
Newsom late of said County was
feloniously and wilfully murdered
and this affiant has cause to suspect
and believe and does suspect and belie-
ve that one Negro Woman ^{rebel} ^{Celia} a Slave of
the said Robert Newsom did at the
County aforesaid feloniously ^{wilfully} and
of her malice aforethought with a Club
or some other weapon strike and mor-
tally wounded the said Robert Newsom
of which wound the said Robert
Newsom instantly died
Sworn to & subscribed
before us this 25th day
of June AD 1855 -

Isaac P. Howe J.P.
Isaac P. Howe J.P.

~~Sworn to & subscribed~~
David Newsom

State of Missouri 3rd ss
County of Callaway 3rd

To the Constable of Fulton township
in Callaway County Greeting

Whereas complaint has been made before
us that Celia a slave on or about the 23rd
day of June ¹⁸⁵⁵ did at the county of Callaway
aforesaid feloniously and ^{wilfully} of her malice
forethought, with a club or some other
weapon strike and mortally wounded ~~the~~
Robert Newsom of said County aforesaid
of which wound or wounds the said Rob-
ert Newsom instantly died. Therefore
we command you to take the body of her the
said Celia if she be found in the said County
of Callaway and bring her forthwith before
the undesignated Justices of the peace in
and for the township of Cedar in Callaw-
ay County at the late Residence of Robert
Newsom in the township of Fulton
in said County then and there to answer
the complaint and have or fail not

Given under our hands the 25th day of
June A.D. 1855 -

Wm. H. D.
Isaac P. Howe J.P.

at the request of the prosecutor
Anthony Jefferson W. Lynes to execute
and return this writ. D.M.W. to J.P.

Said the witness went as I am informed
commissioned by taking the body of the
witness named defendant who is now
in my custody and present before the
Court

Issue to & Subscribed }
before us this 25th day }
of June A.D. 1835 — }
D.M.W. to J.P. }

The State
No 3
Believe a slave
Marrant

State of Missouri 3rd / 35
County of Callaway 3rd

To Wm H Powell Robt Caldwell & John
Gray Greeting. You are hereby com-
manded all expenses and delays being set aside
reasonably to be and appear before the under
signed Justices of the peace written and for the
township of Cedar in the County of Callaway
at the house of Robert Newsom in Sutton
township in said County Fort Worth Tex
and there to testify on the trial of a case
wherein the state of Missouri is Plaintiff and
Julia a slave is defendant on the part of the
Plaintiff and hereof fail not at your peril
I swear under my hand this 25th day of
June AD 1835 — Dau White J.S.

The State of Missouri Plat^t, June 25th 1855
vs
Celia a Slave defendant } for Murder
before A.M.

Whyte and Yeam P. House

William F. Powell being produced &
and sworn on the part of the State de-
poseth and saith, hearing on the 24th day
of June 1855 that Mr Robert Newsom was
missing, I went over to his house with other
neighbors to assist in searching for him, after
looking about for him, I asked his negro Boy
George where he thought he was, he stated that
he did not know believe it was worth while
to hunt for him any where except close around
the house, for he had reasons to believe he was
not far off. I told him he had better go and
show us ~~where~~ the old man if he knew where
he was, he stated he believed the last walking
he done was along this path, pointing to the path
leading from the house to the Negro Cabin,
from the statements of George I believed he had
been destroyed in the negro cabin, I went ~~to the~~
to the Cabin with others to search, but we made
no discovery, after searching we called up
Mr Robert Newsom's Negro woman named
Celia and asked her if she knew where her
master was she first denied knowing any
thing of him, but finally acknowledged that
she had struck him on the head ~~lest~~ with
a stick and knocked him down and then
struck him ~~once~~ after he was down she said
she found out she ~~wanted~~ had killed him
and taught she would throw him out at the
door but got afraid she would be hung for

it. and concluded she would try
and burn him up so that he could
not be found, she said she burnt him
in the negro cabin with one stick of wood
and some boards, she said she found
she could not entirely consume the bones
she buried them to pieces and got George
Wainscott & Mr. Newsom's Grandson to help
her carry the contents of the fire place out
and empty them by the side of the path
running from the Negro Cabin to the stable
myself and others then went and examined
the said ashes and contents and found
bones, the bones here presented was part
of them that I saw in the said ashes
which I believe to be the bones of the Robot
Newsom as we found them where she
said she had put them. She said there
was no person at the Cabin that night
but the Robot Newsom and her children
and that she had no assistance in killing
him

Sworn to & subscribed }
before us this 25th day of }
June A.D 1855 }
Dumfries J.P.
Isaac P. Horne J.P.

W. H. Powell

James C Wainscott being produced and
duly sworn on the part of the State deposed
and saith that it was after broad daylight
when he helped Colie take the ashes out of
the fire place in her cabin on Sunday Morn-
ing of June the 24th 1855—that she called
me from the church when I was gathered

cherries and said if I would help
her carry the ashes out of the fire place
in her Cabin she would give me two
dozen walnuts. we carried them out
and emptied them on the right
hand side of the path leading from
the Cabin to the stable. I did not
notice any bones in the ashes when
we emptied them out his
Govem to & subscribed James C Wainscott
before us the 25th day of June
of June 1855

DW Mchaffie 70,
Isaac & Isaac 70

Celie a slave the defendant being
examined says that on the night of
the 25th day of June 1855 she killed Mr.
Robert Newsom her master by striking
him on the head twice with a
stake about two hours after dark
after she found he had killed him
she put his body on the fire in her Cabin
to burn it up the bones were not entire
by morning and after day
light in the morning she took the ashes
and pieces of bones up out of the fire
place and emptied them on the right
hand side of the path leading from
her Cabin to the stable she stated she
did not intend to kill him when she
struck him but only wanted to hurt him

We do hereby certify that the above is
the testimony of Celie a slave taken before

is on the trial of a case wherein the
state of Missouri is Plaintiff and the
said Celia is defendant on the 25th day of
June AD 1855,-

D. W. Myrick J.P.
Isaac P. Howe J.P.

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is the
evidence taken in the cause of the state of
Missouri against Celia a slave on the
25th day of June AD 1855 - D. W. Myrick J.P.
Isaac P. Howe

Missouri
vs. the cause of
the Slave
vs
Celia a Slave
June 25th 1855
Geo. Bailey et al

Statements of witnesses

On an Inquest over the remains of the body or remains of a body before
D M Phelps & D P Howe Justices of
the peace taken at the late residence
of Robert Neeson June 25th 1855 -

William F Powell being duly
sworn says hearing on the 24th day of
June 1855 that Mr Robert Neeson
was missing I went over to his house
with other neighbors to effect in search
of him, after looking about for him
I asked his negro Boy George where
he thought he was, he stated that he
did not believe it was worth while to
hunt for him any where except down
around the house for he had reasons
to believe he was not far off, I told
him he had better go and show us the
old man if he knew where he was, he
stated he did not know where he was
but stated he believed the last walking
he done was along this path point
ing to the path leading from the house
to the negro cabin, from the statement
of George I believed he had been
destroyed in the Negro cabin, I went
to the cabin with others to search but we
made no discovery, after searching we
called up Mr Robt Neeson's Negro woman
Celia and asked her if she knew any
thing of her master she first denied
knowing any thing of him, but finally
acknowledged that she struck him on
the head with a stick and knocked
him down, and then struck him

once after he was down she said
she found out she had killed him
and thought she would throw him
out at the door, but got afraid she
would be hung for it, concluded she
would try and burn him up so that
he could not be found, she said she
burnt him in the fireplace in the new
Cabin, with one stick of wood and
some boards, she said she found she con-
d not entirely consume the bones &
was burning. she then punched them to
pieces and did and Copper Wainscott
Mr Robt Newsoms grandson carried
the contents of the fire place out and
emptied them by the side of the path
running from the Cabin to the stable
myself & others then went and exami-
ned the said ashes and contents &
found bones which we believed to be
human bones, the bones here presented
was part of them that I saw, which
I believed to be the bones of Mr Robt
Newsome as we found them where
she said she had put them. She
said there was no person at the cabin
that night but Mr Robert Newsom and
his children, and that she had no
assistance in killing him.

Sworn to & subscribed before me J. Powell
before us this 25 day
of June 1855 Dated & signed

James Copper Wainscott being duly
sworn deposed and said that it
was after broad day light when he
helped Alice take the ashes out of the
fire place in the Cabin on Sunday

morning of June the 24th 1855 and
that she gave him over two dozen wal-
nuts to help her carry them out
and that they enpted them on the right
hand of the path leading from the cabin
to the stable. I did not notice any
bones in the ashes when we enpted
them out

Swear to & subscribe before us this 25th day
of June 1855
Sam'l J. P.

James Wainscott
Master

Celia a slave, belonging to Robert Newson
~~was~~ says that she killed her master
on the night of the 23rd day of June
1855 - about two hours after dark
by striking him twice on the head
with a stick, and then put his
body on the fire and burnt it
nearly up. Then took up the ashes
in the morning after day light, after
breakfast, the bones were not
entirely burnt up. I took
up the ashes and bones out of the
fire place in my cabin where I
burnt the body and enpted them
on the right hand side of the
path leading from my cabin to
the stable

Swear to & subscribe before us this 25th day
of June 1855
Sam'l J. P.

Celia her
Master

We do hereby certify that the foregoing
is the testimony taken in the inquest

held over the remains of Robert Newson
at his late residence in College City
City on the 25th day of June A.D. 1865

D. M. W. H. Jr. D.

Isaac P. Horde J. P. G.

and a copy placed in
the hands of the
nearest relative or friend
or the deceased
or the deceased
or the deceased

which is well known
and well known
that the deceased
was a man of
the town was not
killed by shot with
a gun while in the
house where he
lived at the time
of his death. It is
true that two
shots were fired at
the deceased but
it is not known
whether they were
fired at him or
not indeed
it is not known

W. W. H. Jr.
in his name

State of Missouri

To the Constable of Fulton Town
ship and to the Keeper of the common jail
of Callaway County

Whereas Celia a slave was this day
brought before us the undersigned Justices
of the Peace of Cedar Township in Callaw-
ay County upon a charge made in writing
and under oath, of having feloniously will-
fully and of malice aforethought, killed
and murdered one Robert Newsom at
the County of Callaway, aforesaid, and after
examination of the said charge, and of
the witnesses produced before us touching
the same it was adjudged by us that the
said murder had been committed and
that from the evidence and examination
aforesaid, there is probable cause to be
believe that the said Negro woman nam-
ed Celia a slave is guilty of the said
murder charged against her Therefore
we command you the said constable
to take the body of the said Celia a slave
and forthwith deliver her to the Keeper
of the common jail of the said County of
Callaway, and you the said Keeper
of said jail are hereby commanded
to receive the said Celia and retain
her in custody in said jail until she
shall be tried ~~and~~ ^{or} ~~and~~ ^{given} ~~chared~~
in due course of law Given under
our hands this 25th day of June 1855

D W Myte J P

We the undersigned Justices of the peace
authorise and empower John H Dan
ham to execute the within warrant
this 25th day of June AD 1855 -

D W Whyle J.P.
Isaac P Horne J.P.

This 25th day of June AD 1855
we the undersigned Justices of the peace
do hereby warrant and command you, John H Danham,
to make and return to us a true and full account of all

State of Missouri 3rd
County of Callaway

David Newsom Prosecutor acknowledges him
self to owe and be indebted to the state
of Missouri in the sum of one hundred
dollars to be levied and made of his goods
and chattels lands & tenements and
chattels real, yet upon condition that
he will personally appear before the
circuit Court of Callaway County
~~Robert~~ on the first day of the next
term thereof to be holden on the 8th
day of October next at Fulton in
said County then and there to testify
and give evidence in behalf of said State
of and concerning a certain charge of murder
against one Belina Slave and he and
remain in said court until same is
tried then this recognizance to be
void otherwise to be of full force
Sworn under my hand and seal
25th day of June AD 1835 -

David Newsom

State of Missouri 3rd
County of Callaway 3rd p

I William F Powell acknowledge
himself to owe and be indebted to the
state of Missouri in the sum of one hun-
dred dollars to be levied and made by
the goods and chattels and tenements
and chattels real, set upon condition
that if he shall personally appear before
the Circuit Court of Callaway County
on the first day of the next term thereof
to be held on the 8th day of October 1855 -
next at Fulton in said County. Then
and there to tie up, and give evidence
by his self of said state of and concerning
a certain charge of Murder against our
Negro woman named Celia a slave and
to and remain in said court until then
discharged then this recognizance to
be void otherwise of full force
Given under my hand this
day of June AD 1855 -

Wm. F. Powell 

To the Justices of the County Court of Collaroy County,

In the matter of taking of an inquest at the
house of Robert Newsom in said County on the 25-
day of June AD 1835 upon the body or remains of
said Robert Newsom then and there found lying
dead the following costs and expenses were incurred
for the lawful fees due to the officers and persons
hereinafter named, and for the services rendered
as herein designated to wit

To Philip Morris, fees for serving venire for six

Juror's mileage &c &c	\$.	85-
Igeo Thomas per ad Juror & Mileage		60
Daniel Robinson "		60
John D Wells "		65-
Tompson Hyten "		60
George Brown "		65
John Garrington "		70
our fees for warrant for Burg		50
" " for serving Burg		50
" " for subpoena		25-
" " for serving Mr F Powell		05-
" " for serving James C Mansfield		05-
" " for serving Cebea a slave		05-
" " Mileage		60
" " for taking inquest		3.00
" " for serving admonishing		00
" " for Making return &c &c		

State of Missouri 3
County of Callaway 3

We B M Whittle and J P Hoover Justices of the
Peace of Callaway County aforesaid do hereby
certify the above and foregoing statement contains

a true account of the costs and expenses of the taking of
the said inquest, and that the fees severally due to the
several persons named in the foregoing statement are
correctly stated therein, and for services actually ren-
dered by each of the said several persons as therein
stated, and that our own fees are likewise truly
stated, and for services actually rendered by us
Given under our hands at the county of Donegal
this 25th day of June, A.D. 1865 -

D. McWhate J.P.
Isaac P. How. T.P. b.b.

Statement of
Costs

The State of Missouri ^{Plff}) June 25th 1855
vs. ^{In an action}
Belie a slave & deft) for murder by
one Dm Whyte
Justis Cost 42 P Howe Justis of the peace
1 Affadavit 25 upon the oath of David Newson
1 Warrant 25 Prosecutor in the case who filed
Adme 20 oaths in his affidavit as the law directs
1 Subpoena 15 whereon a warrant issued no
1 Judgement 35 - turnable forthwith the said
2 Recognizans 50 warrant was returned on the
thib transcript 20 same day executed by bringing
Certyf to same 25 - the body of said defendant to
Mtimus
fire the Court. The Justis
proceeded to examine the witness-
es as the law directs, also
the defendant in the case,
after hearing the evidence they
Constables Cost believed there is good cause for
Serving Warrant 50 believing the defendant guilty
Taking Defett of the charge in said affadavit
to jail 75 - We therefore order the Const
Guard 1.00 able of Sutton Township in
Calloway County to take her
and deliver her forthwith to
the keeper of the common jail
of said County to await her
trial at the next term of the
 Circuit Court of said County
Dm Whyte J.P.
J P Howe J.P.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a
full true and complete transcript of my
Docket in the case of the state of Miss

- and I affeint Celia a slave given
unto my hand as a poster of the
place written and for Caledon towns
hip and Callaway County ~~Georgia~~
~~Georgia~~ This 2^d day of June 1855
John H. J.

JAN

In the Leavenworth Circuit Court
August Term 1855

State of Missouri }
County of Leavenworth }

The Grand jurors for the State of Missouri for the body of the County of Leavenworth upon their oaths present that heely otherwise Leelia otherwise Leelia Newsom a slave late of the County of Leavenworth aforesaid on the twenty third day of June in the year one thousand and eight hundred and fifty five at the County of Leavenworth aforesaid in and upon one Robert Newsom, in the peace of the State then and there being, feloniously wilfully deliberately and premeditatedly and of her malice aforethought did meant an assault, and that the said heely otherwise Leelia otherwise Leelia Newsom then and there with force and arms and with a large piece of wood which she the said heely otherwise Leelia otherwise Leelia Newsom in her right hand had and held, him the said Robert Newsom in and upon the head of him the said Robert Newsom feloniously wilfully deliberately premeditatedly and of her malice aforethought did strike and beat giving him the said Robert Newsom by such striking and beating divers

Mortal bruises and contusions in
and upon the head of him the said
Robert Newsom; of which said
Mortal bruises and contusions, he
the said Robert Newsom did then
and there instantly die. And so
the Jurors aforesaid upon their oaths
aforesaid do say that the said Leely
otherwise Leelia otherwise Leelia
Newsom, him the said Robert News-
son on the day and year afores-
aid at the County of Leelanday
~~in manay~~, ~~affor~~ ~~of~~ ~~re~~ ~~said~~
affraied, feloniously wilfully
deliberately premeditatedly and
of her malice ~~affraught~~ ~~in man~~
did kill and murder, against
the peace and dignity of the State.

And the Jurors aforesaid
upon their oaths aforesaid do fur-
ther present that the said Leely other-
wise Leelia otherwise Leelia Newsom,
~~a slave~~ ~~on the twenty~~ third day of June in the
year one thousand eight hundred
and fifty five with force and arms
at the County of Leelanday aforesaid
and upon one Robert Newsom
in the peace of the State then and
there being feloniously wilfully
deliberately premeditatedly and
of her malice afaught did
make an assault, and that the
the the said Leely otherwise Leelia other-
wise Leelia Newsom, him the said
Robert Newsom did then and there

feloniously wilfully deliberately
premeditatedly and of her mal-
ice aforethought did cast Thow
and push into a certain large
fire there and there situate
and did there and there hold him
~~the said Robert Newsom in the said fire~~
~~for the space of two or three~~ by
means of which casting throwing
pushing and holding of him the
said Robert Newsom in the fire
aforesaid by the said Leely otherwise
Celia otherwise Leelia Newsom
in form aforesaid, he the said
Robert Newsom, in ~~and by the~~
~~the fire~~ aforesaid was then
and there choaked suffocated
and burned, of which said choak-
ing suffocating and burning he
the said Robert Newsom did then
and there ~~instantly~~ die; and so
the jurors aforesaid upon their
oaths aforesaid do say that the
the said Leely otherwise Leelia
otherwise Leelia Newsom, has
the said Robert Newsom on the
day and year aforesaid at the
county of Calcasieu, ^{aforesaid} man-
ner and form ^{last} of face, and felon-
iously wilfully deliberately pre-
meditatedly and of her malice
aforethought did kill and mur-
der, against the peace and
dignity of the State.

R. J. Preville cipato

For 16 Aug 1.
Stevensons Recd. 15.
Drawn & Stamps off
as Commissary
Povell. D. Mc Whyte
H. Newson Geo. D.
Newson J. G. Wainw.
P. 100 in the sum of
150 each month
copy I did for
prisoner 1.00
sp's for states 5.00
2 sp's for self per
1733 Oct 1. Story
Geo. 1833 1.00
Acte. Verdict
of guilty. No
to be used for
over 100
Dec 1st 1833 66
being 16. Nov
1833 Epas
filed. off
over 100
Completed
Recd. # 6.20

August 1855

Aug 22

No 3. Indenture
Re. to a Slave
in Oregon

A true bill
Geo. Fisher
foreman

Witnesses
Wm H. Povell &
Harry Newson
David Newson
Virginia Wainw.
Dr. Coffey Wainw.
Polly Dunham
R. A. Gaedelwee
Dr. L. Whittington
Daniel Mc Whyte Esq.
George Newson a slave
14 Nov 1855
John Young
per issued

State of Missouri, To Virginia Winnett, Polly Gunham
Rob. A. Callaway. Jas L. Whiting Law. Dr. M. Whyte
J. R. Smith & Andy Young

You are hereby summoned to appear before the judge of
our Callaway Circuit Court, at the Court House, on the

First day of our ~~next~~ ^{first} term, which term
will commence on the 2d Monday in October next, to
testify and the truth to speak in behalf of ~~the State of~~

~~Missouri~~ in a certain
matter ~~of~~ controversy now pending in our said court
between ~~State of Missouri~~ Plt., and ~~Calloway~~

(a slave) Deft., and this you
shall not omit and have them there this writ,

Witness, GEO. BARTEY, clerk of our said
court, with the seal of office annexed, this

29 day of August 1855
Geo. Barley Clerk

I Executed the within will by reading
the same in the presence and hearing of
As Young and Dr R W Smith on the date
day of October 1853

H. J. Davis Esq

State
Island

Below is a record
To 1st Oct 1853

I live in within State of Oregon. We
have in the port of New Haven in
Virginia. We intend to live on the Hudson
River. I do & Whittington. I do 1/2nd and
Hott & balance since January 1st
Oct 15th 1853

Shff for \$50

S. B. Murray
State of Missouri, vs. Wm. B. Stiles, John W. Martin,
R. N. G. Tally, Felix G. Nichols, Geo. H. Brooks

Theophilus Brooks, Wm. L. C. Miller, Simpson Mylar

You are hereby summoned to appear before the judge of

our Callaway Circuit Court, at the Court House, on the

First day of our next Oct. term, which term

will commence on the 2d Monday in October next, to

testify and the truth to speak in behalf of ~~Lockie a slave~~

in a certain

matter of controversy now pending in our said court

between ~~the State of Missouri~~ Plaintiff, and ~~and~~

~~Lockie a slave,~~

Deft., and this you

shall not omit and have there this writ.

Witness, GEO. BARTLEY, clerk of our said

court, with the seal of office annexed, this

25th day of Sept^r 1855
Geo. Bartley C.R.

I enclose the billow with my name
the same in the present and hearing of
J. P. Shortay # 10. Show his Master
Rte Date on the 27th Sept. 1833
W. J. Blue eff

Collected a score

as } sp. w.
} slate
To 1^o Oct 1833.

Cuff. fee 4.00

I send the with 5th by remitting the same
in the Name of the Remonstrance of the
Chickasaw Indians, Mr. William
Grissell and Simpson Myer Ten Cents 1553
10th June Swift
My address is

State of Missouri, Co Iohn Compton, Joseph New
mark Austin Colley Price Powell Joseph Whiting
John Renslow Whiting Esq. The callaway, Not to be denied
London You are hereby summoned to appear before the judge of

our Callaway Circuit Court, at the Court House, on the

First day of our next term, which term
will commence on the 2d Monday in October next, to
testify and the truth to speak in behald of ~~Lechlin a slave~~

in a certain

matter of controversy now pending in our said court
between the State of Missouri Plt., and ~~aged~~
~~Lechlin a slave~~ Deft., and this you
shall not omit and have then there this writ,

Witness, GEO. BARTEY, clerk of our said

court, with the seal of office annexed, this

25th day of Sept 1855

GEO. Barley esq.

I doth the within Spar by reading the same
in the presence and hearing of Bobt.
Calawell Oct 1st and John Lannington, Josiah
Hannah, William Powell, Jas L Whitington
Reyber Whitington Thos Calawell and London
Snell Oct 4th witness Corly on the
8th day of October 1855.

W. J. Green Shff
By D. Snell Capt

believe & stand

as I do

John Snell

To 1st Oct 1855.

Shff per 400

State of Missouri, Co Jefferson Town

You are hereby summoned to appear before the judge of
our Callaway Circuit Court, at the Court House, on the
2⁷ day of our ~~first~~ Oct term, which term
will commence on the 2d Monday in Oct next, to
testify and the truth to speak in behalf of *The State of*
Missouri in a certain
matter of controversy now pending in our said court
between *The State* Plt., and
Lockwood a slave Deft., and this you
shall not omit and have then there this writ,

Witness, GEO. BARTEY, clerk of our said
court, with the seal of office annexed, this

9 day of Oct 1855

GEO. Barley clrk

I send the within spa by reading
the same in the presence and
hearing of W Jones Oct 2^d 1853

M J Snee shff
A J Snee ds

3 Yrs
to Lelia

My fr

T. J. Shoemaker
State of Missouri, Co

You are hereby summoned to appear before the judge of
our Callaway Circuit Court, at the Court House, on the
2nd day of our ~~first Oct.~~ term, which term
will commence on the 2d Monday in October next, to
testify and the truth to speak in behalf of ~~the State~~
~~of Missouri~~ in a certain
matter of controversy now pending in our said court
between ~~the State of Missouri~~ Plt., and ~~Kelia~~
~~a slave~~ Deft., and this you
shall not omit and have then there this writ,

Witness, GEO. BARTLEY, clerk of our said
court, with the seal of office annexed, this

9th day of Oct 1855
Geo. Bartley Ck

I executed the within writ by reading
the same in the presence and
hearing of S. J. Shook an on the
9th day of October 1855

W. D. Greenly
By A. C. Bell

State

or { prop
or 2. Oct. 1855.

To all whom it may concern,
Gentlemen of the County of
Montgomery, State of New York,
on the 2^d day of October 1855,
I do hereby certify that I have
executed at the place or office where
notified, the process of the sum of
one thousand dollars and
no cents, & that the same
was paid to me by the
not the bank, but

the said bank only paid me
the amount of one thousand
and three hundred dollars
and twenty five cents

^{1st} ~~the~~ ^{law,} the Jury presumes the defendant innocent, and they
have to place themselves upon this presumption, and only
decide from it where arises from it by the testimony

^{2nd} Unless the Jury believe from the evidence, beyond a
reasonable doubt that defendant did kill Robert
^{deliberately} Newson, ~~deliberately~~, ~~premeditatedly~~, and of malice afore-
thought, they will find her not guilty of Murder in the first Degree.

^{3rd} Unless the Jury believe from the evidence beyond a rea-
sonable doubt, that defendant is guilty as charged in the in-
dictment, they will find her Not Guilty.

^{4th} If the Jury ^{believe} ~~find~~ from the evidence that Celia did kill
Robert Newson, but that the killing was done without
deliberation & premeditation, and in heat of passion
they will find her not guilty of Murder in the first Degree.

^{5th} If the Jury believe that Celia did kill Newson, but that
the act was done upon without deliberation & premedi-
tation, to prevent him from forcing her to sexual
intercourse with him Newson, they will ~~not~~ find
her not guilty of Murder in the first Degree.

^{6th} If the Jury believe from the evidence, that Celia
killed Newson yet if they find further from
the evidence, that she did not intend to kill him
at the time it was done, they will find her
not guilty of Murder in the first Degree.

1 The confessions of the prisoners must be taken altogether, the Jury giving such weight to each part as they may deem it entitled to.

2 If the Jury believe from the evidence that Eliza did kill her husband, but that the killing was ^{harmless} ~~done~~ to prevent herself against a forced sexual intercourse with her, on the part of said husband, and there was imminent danger of such forced sexual connection being ^{accomplished} ~~committed~~ by husband, they will not find her guilty of murder in the first degree.

3 Although the Jury may believe from the evidence, that husband ^{another} ~~has~~ has had sexual intercourse with Eliza, prior to the time of the said ^{of} aforesaid killing, yet if they further believe from the testimony, that said husband at, or just before the time ^{of} said killing, attempted to compel her against her will to have sexual intercourse with him, they will not find her guilty of murder in the first degree, unless they further find that Eliza killed her husband ^{intentionally}, whether ^{deliberately} premeditatedly, or of her malice of malice, ^{with} ~~with~~ ^{not} ~~not~~ find.

4 An attempt to compel a woman to be defiled by using force, menace, or duress, is a felony within the meaning of the fourth section of the second class concerning crimes & punishments, in Missouri Statutes for 1845.

5 The using of a master's authority to compel a slave to be by him defiled, is using force, menace, ~~and~~ duress, within the meaning of the 29 section of the 2^d article of Missouri Statute, concerning crimes and punishments.

please replace
12 The words any woman in the first clause
of the 29th section, of second article of law of
Missouri for 1840, concerning crimes & pun-
ishments, embrace slave women, as well as white
women.

13 If from ~~all~~ of the evidence the Jury have a Reason-
able Doubt of the guilt of Lelia, they will find her not
guilty.

If the Jury find from the Evidence that the defendant
are ~~are~~ clear.

1 If the Jury find from the evidence
that the defendant ~~be~~ did wilfully
deliberately and premeditatedly
killed Robert Newsom about the
month of June last in the County
of Leallaway it is murder in
the first degree.

2 The deliberation and consideration
merely to constitute
murder in the first degree need
not be but for a moment before the
killing, and may be inferred
from the circumstances attending
the killing.

If the Jury are satisfied ~~beyond a reasonable~~
killed him ~~beyond a reason~~

3 If the Jury are satisfied ^{defendant}
killed him, it devolves upon
her to show in her defense from
the Evidence in the cause to the
jury, ~~and~~ or a satisfaction of the
jury that she was guilty of a
less crime than murder ~~or~~ act
ed in self defense.

If the Jury believe from the evidence
that it was not the intention of
defendant to kill Newson, but
that she did intend to do him
some great bodily harm & and
that in so doing death ensues
it is murder in the first degree"
by the Statute of this State

⁵ If Newson went to the cabin of the
plaintiff who was his slave
was in the habit of having in
tercourses with the defendant
who was his slave and went
to her cabin on the night he ~~was~~ to gather
he was killed to have intercourses
with her or for any other purpose
and while he was standing on
the floor talking to her she struck
him with a ~~dangerous weapon~~
^{what was a dangerous weapon}
and knocked him down and struck
him again after he fell, and
killed him by either blow, it is
murder in the first degree.

⁶ Defendant had no right to kill
him because he came to her
cabin and was talking to her
about having intercourses with
her or any thing else

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There is no evidence before the Jury that

~~She was acting in self defence~~

Every witness

8 It devolves on the defendant to show from the evidence in the cause to the reasonable satisfaction of the jury that she acted in self defence.

The admissions made by defendant against herself have pressed to be true damages against her self interest without she said in her own favour.

9 The Jury may believe receive what defendant said against her self and as just what she said in her own favour, and they are not bound to take it as true because she said it.

To go to consider self defence
too

Febd 9th 1833 -
Geo Brantock

State vs. Bella & Slave, } In the LaCassaway Circuit
Court October Term 1855.

The defendant moves the court to set aside the Verdict of the jury in the above entitled cause and grant a new trial for the following reasons,

- 1st Because the court allowed irrelevant, illegal and incompetent testimony to go to the jury in behalf of the State.
- 2nd Because the Court excluded from the consideration of the jury legal, competent and relevant testimony offered by defendant.
- 3rd Because the court refused to give each, all and every of the instructions so prayed for by the defendant.
- 4th Because the Court granted and allowed illegal instructions as to the law of the case at the instance of the State.
- 5th Because the Court refused to give to the jury legal instructions as to the law of the case prayed for by defendant.
- 6th Because the Verdict of the jury of the jury is against the weight of the evidence, and contrary to the law and evidence —
- 7th Because the Verdict is defective, irregular & informal, — Jameson, Thomas & Boulware
Atts for Defendant

State vs Belia

Motion to Set aside
Verdict & Grant new
trial

Filed 11th Oct 1833
Geo. Bartly esq

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Will the jury find the defendant
guilty of Murder in the first
degree?

W. J. Selby
Foreman

The State of Missouri

Against:

Celia, a Slave.

In the Circuit Court.

October Term, 1856.

Be it remembered that on the trial of the abovesentitled cause in said Court, the Jury were unswearable to try the issue whether defendant was guilty of the crime of murder charged against her, & that she having pleaded not guilty ~~and was ready to meet~~ to meet herself upon her God & her Country, the following witnesses were introduced on the part of the State to testify against her. Jefferson F. Jones being sworn, stated on his examination in chief

I went to the jail to converse with Celia (defendant) at the request of several citizens. The object of my conversation was to ascertain whether she had any accomplices in the crime. This was 8 or 10 days after she had been put into the jail. I asked her whether she thought she would be hung for what she had done. She said she thought she would be hung & then tell her till the whole truth. She said the old man (her son, the defendant) had been having sexual intercourse with her. That he had told her he was coming down to her cabin that night. She told him not to come, and if he did then got a stick and put it in the corner when she heard him coming down that night & there was very little fire in the kitchen cabin. Said his face was toward her, and he was standing talking to her over the stroke him. He did not raise his hand when she went to strike the first blow but sank down ~~on~~ a stool & lay on the floor. Threw his hands up when he sank down. She struck him with his hand the right hand, the stick with which she struck was about as large as the upper part of a wooden chair, not so long. She thought she did not kill him the first blow or the time of striking, but thought now that the first blow must have killed him. was afraid he would knock the second blow because he groaned. He was not dead —

—————. It is you who towers here when she struck. told her that it has been said that she has said she struck the old man while she was going in at the back window of her house, and that he had fallen back on the outside. She answered that she had said so, but was in a state of excitement at the time, and that she had laid two (or three) stones standing about it. said he was in the middle of the room when she struck.

asked her whether she had told anyone that she intended to kill the old man, she said that she never has. I asked her that George has run off, and that she might answer her if he has had anything to do with killing the old man. She said that George need not have run off, for that he knew nothing about it. I asked her if George had advised her to kill the old man said he never has. Said that George has told her that he would have nothing more to do with her if she did not quit the old man. Said that George has been staying with her. She said that after she killed him, she took him a long time - she thought an hour. She did not know what to do with it. Said she thought she would try to burn it. She put the body on the fire-place, and kindled the fire over around it with some stones that were made for log-heats, and were in the yard. She turned the body up, and putt some of the stones under the heart, and under the feet or between or sleeper to the fire-place. She said she took out the ashes before day I don't recollect where she said she put the ashes. It was late when he came down late bed-time. She doubled him up where she put him on the fire-place.

One, trained by the defense

She said the old man has had sexual intercourse with her. Her second child was his. She does not fight her in Andover County. Can't say positively whether Eliza said the deceased had forced her, on the way home from Andover county. Here he says that he did, but do not know with certainty whether she told me so. Said she was about nineteen years old at the time we were conversing. The stick with which she struck was about as large as the top part of the back of a wooden chair, but not so long. She turned round in her chair to show me the side of the stick. Not so long as the part above the seat of the chair. ~~about as long as the stick is in the house~~. ^{about} ~~about as long as the stick is in the house~~. The struck with the right hand on the right side of his head. I asked her if she did not know that she could ^{not} have struck him as she said, and if George had not struck the old man from behind. She said he did not - that he knew nothing about it, nor was not there at the time. ~~whether if she did not know she did not kill him in the first instance. Said she did not know it was not intend to kill but only to knock him.~~

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Harry Newson being sworn, states as follows.

I am the son of Robert Newson. My father was missing on the morning of Tuesday the 21st of June. I heard of it, and went down to his house. Other persons were there when I got there. I examined the cabin in and about, & in the yard. Some bones were found a short distance from the cabin along a path & the path led to the stable. No buttons were found there. Portions of the bones were found. The company packed ~~them~~ ^{out of the box} about a handful, and placed them in my hands. I carried them home. I wrapped them in paper & put them into a box. Other bones ^{found by Mrs. Linscott} were put into the same box (no person does) this is the box I left them with Mr. Bentley, the Circuit Court Clerk. Since August, the County Clerk has had them. My sister put the bones she found into the same box. There are some of the pieces I put into the box. The bones that I picked up, I put into the box. I saw no bones picked up in the cabin and nothing picked up there. I saw nothing picked out of the ashes but bones. The path led to the stable.

Virginia Newson being sworn, states as follows.

I am a daughter of Robert Newson. I was living at his house. I saw him the last time on the evening of the 21st of June, at bed time. I hunted in all the paths & walks every place for him & looked in caves & along the creeks. This was on Sunday. I found no trace of him. That evening I learned where the bones were put. I found the bones under the hearth in the cabin. I turned the large stone over to find them. I found a gallows-buckle in the ashes. I have more bones in a box which I have kept myself. Turned the bones in the house where he lived. Found them near the hearth and put them on a bureau until the next day. I gave them to my brother after the night. He took the bones home. I picked them up from under the hearth-rock. These are the bones, and these are the buttons my sister saved on my father's

brushes, a few days before his death. Found them out ~~before~~
~~on the~~ ~~in the ashes.~~ ~~With the bones~~
the ~~ashes~~ in the ashes. Sister Mary saved metal buttons on his pants
I once found the knife. I did not see it. (accident or purpose)
This is the box I kept. This is father's knife. The handle is turned
black, but this is the knife. The ashes were taken up in the fire-place
I took the hump open, and they had a strange smell. Looked
as if something had been burned in them. I saw no flesh - nothing
like flesh. The ashes were taken up in the fire-place. Celie
(step-sister) had been sick, and had not taken out the ashes for
a long time

Cross examined by defense.

The cabin is about 50 steps from the house. I saw my father
in the evening about twilight, reading at a window. We all
went to bed hearing him in the room. He slept in the room
he was reading in. My son slept with the old man. My
son was there in the morning. I did not notice anything father
was doing. Did not notice the bed. Sister made the beds up. We
went to bed early. Celie had been sick. Took sick in February,
had been sick ever since. Had not been able to work since Feb-
ruary. The cookhouse joins the dwelling house.

Coffee Was well being done, state as follows:

I am eleven years old. Was living in grandpa's house when he
died. Drove up in the char, ~~early in the morning~~ ^{grandpa was sick} Celie said she would give me
her some ashes if I would carry the ashes out. I said go
back. I put them out along side of the path. I do not know whether
there was any path there or not - only beat down like. I did not
know where I put the ashes. ^{out of the ashes, I carried back} Some people picking up bones. I
got the ashes out of the house she lived in.

Cross examined by the defense.

I slept with mother. Billy slept with grandfather. Didn't go
to bed in the same room with grandfather. Billy is my
brother. Billy is four years old.

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William Powell being sworn, stated as follows.

I was at ~~Newsom's~~ house the day the bones were found. I found the bones ~~near~~ ^{not far} from the cabin ~~down~~. I did not see any bones found anywhere else. The bones were found in the ashes. I think these are the bones found. I saw three or four persons picking up bones. I did not see any bones got from out of the cabin. I was there on the fourth Sunday in June. Celia was at the house. Robert Newsom lives in this country.

X1. (I found the bones where Celia said I would find them.)

Cross examined by defense.

I was at Newsom's about 10 o'clock on the morning after he was missing. There were other persons there. I did not examine the room he slept in, but except of having noticed the bed. ~~I didn't~~ ~~think~~ ~~it~~ ~~was~~ ~~the~~ ~~bed~~ ~~that~~ ~~he~~ ~~was~~ ~~missing~~. She has been there sometime. I went into the cook-house where Celia was. I told her she knew where her master was — that George had said enough to make me believe she knew where he was. She denied it. Said she knew nothing about him. I told her that it would be better for her to tell — that her silence should not be taken away from her if she would tell, and then I told the Roger provided for her if she did not tell — the wife refused to make any confession. At last she said he came to the back window of her house and that she struck him, and he fell back on the outside, and that she said nothing more of him. Refused or sometime to tell anything more; but said at length that if I would let the two men out of the room, she would tell me. They went out. She said he came into her house — that she said because he at the door ~~was talking to her son~~ she said she struck him twice. She became alarmed. Said she became afraid she would be hung for it, and thought she would try to burn him. She got a stick of wood and laid it on the fire, and got some stones for hot-heads near the cabin. She said it was bed time, or about 10 o'clock when he came down to her house. She said she had made traps, said she threatened him that she would hurt him on condition that he would not let her alone. Intended to hurt him, not to kill him. She said she intended to hurt him, not to kill him. Asked her if she had told anyone she would hurt him. Said she

X2. ~~had~~ told the white family. She said she (threatened) ~~to~~ that she would hurt

him if we did not quit forcing her while she was sick. I do not know what her condition was as to health - her health she was sick so not know that she was pregnant. In age from her appearance that she was the fact she did not intend to kill him - struck twice but did not intend to kill.

XI Doctor Smith being sworn, states as follows X

These bones appear ~~are~~ the bones of an adult human - ~~are~~ the bones of an adult beyond a doubt.

XII Doctor Young being sworn, states as follows. ~~Q~~

I can speak with certainty & say these are human bones.

(Here the case was closed on the part of the State)

The following witnesses were introduced on the part of the defendant

X.13 Dr. Doctor Smith, M.D., being sworn. X

The following questions were asked by counsel for defense

1. Can the body of a human being be destroyed by burning in a common fire-place from 10 o'clock P.M. until 1 o'clock A.M.?

2. What time would be required to destroy or consume the body of a man by water-fire in an ordinary fire-place?

3. In your opinion, as an adept or scientific physician, what length of time would be required to destroy or consume the body of a man, in an ordinary fire-place by water fire?

In each and all of these questions the state objected, and the court sustained the objection, to which opinion of the court defendant except object was rejected.

Thomas Brewster being sworn, states as follows.

I am present with the bones at the jail. Celia said she struck her son two blows with a stick. After she struck the first time, he ~~grinned~~ fell up his hands ~~up~~. The reason she gave for striking him the second blow, was that he threw his hands ~~up~~ ~~up~~ that shows

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afraid he would catch her. She said she did not intend to kill him when she struck him, but only to hurt him, ~~keeping him in ignorance~~
~~consciousness~~. She was rather at, or towards his back - not immediately before him. He sank down on, or towards a stool. ~~He might have~~
~~fallen down or sat on the stool~~. After she struck the person twice, she examined to see whether he were dead. He was dead. Waited a long time - did not know what to do. Then thought she would try to burn him, and put him in the fire - place & burn him. The stick with which she struck was ~~as~~ large as the top-part of the chair-back of a wooden chair above the seat, but was not so long.

Here the case was closed on the part of the Defense - whereupon the State moved the Court to instruct the Jury as follows (hereinafter the instructions). In the giving of each & every of the above instructions to the Jury, the Defendant objects, & the Court overrules the objection & allows said instructions to be given to the Jury; To which opinion of the Court overruling said objection, an allowance ~~is~~ is ~~not~~ allowed to be given to the Jury, defendant objecting except.

The defendant then moved & prayed the Court to instruct the Jury as follows: (omit the instructions). In the giving of the first, fourth, fifth, sixth, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, & the other of said instructions the State objects, and the Court sustains the objection; but gives to the Jury the second, third, twelfth & thirteenth of said instructions, for ages past defendant, and refuses to give to the Jury the first, fourth, fifth, sixth, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth of said instructions; To which opinion of the Court excluding the objection of the State, to said refused instructions, defendant objects excepted.

The cause having then been argued by counsel for state & defendant, the Jury retired to consider of their verdict, after which they returned with

the following verdict (here went the verdict) began out
then moved the Court to set aside said verdict, to grant a new
trial. (here went motion for a new trial) which motion was overruled
by the Court, to which opinion of the Court, he overruled, said motion
against appeal except)

Wm H. Hale

Shed
or to Bill of Lading
600 ft. in a case
Find 13th Oct 6/1833 -
Geo. Wm. C. 1833

Fulton October 15th 1856 -
State of Missouri

To H. L. Whaley Dr
"To furnishing Jury in the case of
The State of Missouri against Celia
a Servant Girl

1 Meals Each - \$13.00

State

as } Whaley Cal
\$12.00
Oct 1st

In Supreme Court of Missouri at St Louis, October Term 1855.
State of Missouri

Bethy, otherwise Belia,
otherwise Belia Nerson } In the Balloway Circuit Court.
a slave. } The prisoner having been found
guilty of Murder in the first degree
and sentenced to be hung - Having

also prayed for an appeal to the Supreme Court, which was granted; but which was without any order of the Circuit Court for a stay of execution - And having by her counsel presented to the Supreme Court, now in session in St. Louis, a copy of said record praying that an order might be made staying the execution of the sentence of the Court until the appeal might be heard in the Supreme Court at the next term thereof in January next, at Jefferson City - Upon an examination of the record and proceedings of the Circuit Court of Balloway County in the above case, It is thought proper to refuse the prayer of the petitioner: - There being seen upon inspection of the record aforesaid no probable cause for such appeal; nor so much doubt as to render it expedient to take the judgment of the Supreme Court thereon - It is therefore ordered by the Court, that an order for the stay of the execution in this case be refused.

The State of Missouri Jr.

I William S. Glanville, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Missouri at St Louis, certify that the foregoing is a full and perfect transcript of the decision and order of said Court in the Case first above stated, as rendered on the fourteenth day of December in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty five.

Witness my hand as the Seal of said Court, at Office in St Louis, this fourteenth day of December, A.D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five. W. S. Glanville, Clerk.

Filed 1863 Decy
1835 Geo. Barley rec

State of Michigan against Celia a slave upon
an Indictment for murder. Convicted and hanged
A bill of the jurors fees in the above cause
the balance of the costs being paid by the
State in the Calvary Circuit Court.

Geo. H. Osman	Juror	2 Days	@ 75 cts per day	\$1.50
Wm R. Evans	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
Wm. J. Selby	"	2 "	@ 75 per day	1.50
Stephen Gilbert	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
Wm. Lord	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
Benja. Shuts	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
Hos. Pratt	"	2 "	@ 75 per day	1.50
Geo. Caldwells	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
Wm L. Craig	"	2 "	@ 75	1.50
W. T. Ticklin	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
W. S. Selby	"	2 "	@ 75 paid	1.50
Saml Mater	"	2 "	@ 75	1.50

Allied Geo. Bartle up \$18.00

W. W. Marshall & R. J. Prewith have examined the
above bill of costs and allow the same for the
sum of Eighteen Dollars which we order to be
certified to the County Court for payment this
15th day of October 1856.

W. W. Marshall
R. J. Prewith

Rec'd 2^d M^r Ap^r 1857 of Mr. Banks for a check on
affixing this card.

R. A. Whittington

State:
W^s } Big Cat
C. dies a slave
\$1875
cert

Paid of Geo. Bradley \$150 my pass in
the last 1st Nov 1856 7 m^o June
John H. Gilliland
William G. Self
Benjamin Fleet,
William Foye
John P. Libby
John J. Fitchlin
George Newman
Horatio L. Prout
Stephen W. Gilbert

A Bill of Costs is the Law of the State
of Mississippi against Leetes a slave Indicted for
Murder in the first degree convicted sentenced &
Hanging in the Calcasieu County

Geo Bartley Esq for

Indictment 50. Commenced at August

Term 1833-25. Recognizing witness 50-125

Copying Indictment for prisoner 100 words .00

Spelling 50 words 50 each 2.50

1833 Out rendering plea of not guilty 25

Screening & certifying Jury 75

Rendering Verdict 25. Indigence 25 75

Administrating 27 on behalf of witness 1.35

Preliminary appearance to Superior Court 25

Completing Record to Superior Court 57 words .00 6.20

Copying & certifying this Bill Cost 75 14.80

W T Snell Esq for

Examining Special Agent 2.00

Examining 27 witnesses 13.50

Calling Jury 25

Calling 27 witnesses 1.35

Committing prisoner to Jail 75

Trials 3.00

Boarding prisoner from 25th June 1833.

until she was executed 171 at

40 cent per day 64.40

Executing death warrant paid 15.00 184.25

Medical attendance of prisoner during

dictating & delivering her of deceased by Dr. C. C. C.

M. White attorney for County

out 5 Spelling Manual 25 30

one in Spanish 15

3 oaths to witness 15

2 Recognizances 50

writing down Testimony 900 words 90 2.00

121.05

Civil Broth over

121.05

Constitutes for

50 - - 50

serving men

D. & Whaley for boarding the day

4 meals each paid 12.00

R. Y. Private Pier Office 20.00

Geo. Hosman Four 2 days 75¢ day 1.50 p^r

Mr. R. Gossius D. D. 1.50 p^r

Mr. J. Selby do. do. 1.50 p^r

Stephen Gilford do. 1.50 p^r

W^m Hayes do. 1.50 p^r

Benj. Sheely do. 1.50 p^r

Thos. J. Prater do. 1.50 p^r

John L. Webster do. 1.50 p^r

Mr. L. Corning do. 1.50

Mr. J. Franklin 1.50 p^r

Mr. O. Selby do. 1.50 p^r

Sam^l Macee do. 1.50 p^r paid 18.00

D. R. Whaley 2 days 2.20

24 meals board

Polly A. Lorraine do. 2.18 1.90 p^r paid

Wm^l L. Parcell do. 2. 20 2.00 p^r paid

Jas^t L. Whittington, 2. 22 2.10 p^r paid

A. L. Whittington 2. 22 2.10 p^r paid

A. B. Cark 2. 32 2.60 p^r paid to June

Wm^l Lorraine 2. 16 1.80

Harry Norton 2. 18 1.90 p^r

Virginia Wainright 2. 16 1.80 p^r paid

Coffee Wainright 2. 16 1.80 p^r

George E. Sloan 2. 18 1.90 p^r

Joseph ~~Whittemore~~ 2. 16 1.80 p^r paid

Mrs Johnson 2. 32 2.60 p^r to Dec^r

Polly Dunham 2. 4 1.20 p^r 27.70
R 194.25

	and brok over	\$199.25
Stephens Brody	2 16 - \$1.80 pair	
Geo Brown	2 10 1.50 pair	
Swif Mylow	2 12 1.60 pair	
J. G. Nichols	2 14 1.70 pair	
John Cunningham	2 10 1.50 pair	
Lordlow Sudde	2 10 1.50 pair	
S. B. Murray	2 1.00 p ^d	
J. W. Clathus	2 1.00 p ^d	11.60
	Allred Geo Bailey recd	\$210.85

We have examined the above bill of cost
and allow the same for the sum of two hundred
and eleven dollars taught for Dr. C. Which in order
to be certified to the controller of public ac-
counts for payment 18th Ap^r 1856
Yours A. Hall J. S.

R. J. Prentiss ^{locally}

Rec'd 20th May 1856 of Geo Bailey one
hundred & four & 23/100 dollars my fee in this
case W. T. Bell shff

Rec'd 28th May 1856 of Geo Bailey two dollars
one cent, A. L. Whaley's fee in the within
W. T. Bell shff

Rec'd of Geo Bailey 30th May 1856 two dollars
sixty nine, A. B. Conley's fee in the within
W. T. Bell shff

Rec'd of Geo Bailey two dollars our fee
J. M. Murray
A. M. Martin

Rec'd 30th May 1856 of Geo Bailey two dollars & six
cents my fee in the case James L. Wellington

Rec'd 20. May 1836 of Mr. Baileys one dollar & eighty cents by far as this case goes which
Rec'd of Mr. Baileys two dollars & fees
^{Open}
Rec'd of Mr. Baileys one dollar & eighty cents Powell
by fees on the within Hiley G. Nichols
Rec'd of Mr. Baileys two dollars & sixty cents Mrs.
Johnson fees on the within Ralph Dunn

Rec'd of Geo. Bailey our fr^r John Carrington
Sampson Hyatt

Rec'd of Genl Bailey ~~Twenty~~ dollars my fee in this case
also rec'd four dollars my fee in the case of Malo vs
John Chapman (Protagonist) R. D. Prentiss

Rec'd of Geo Bradley \$1.50 my fees London Snell.
Rec'd of Geo Bradley \$1.50 my fees 25th June 1858. Samuel M. Steele

July 20. 1864. G. W. Smith, This section has
been on fire + is about 90% burnt down. The com-
monest & most numerous tree is the
Red Cedar. It is a tall, straight, slender tree
with a thin trunk, and a few small branches near
the top. The bark is smooth, greyish-white,
and easily torn off in long strips. The leaves
are small, narrow, and pointed, arranged in oppo-
site pairs along the branches. The flowers are
small, yellowish-green, and appear in clusters
at the ends of the branches. The fruit is a
small, round, reddish-brown berry, which is
eaten by birds and small mammals. The wood
is hard, durable, and used for fence posts,
shingles, and other construction purposes.

Mem. for Mr. Ch. Bealeoy Co

State vs George, Slave
allowed as witness for \$9.90

State vs Malinda, Slave
allowed as witness for \$4.15-

State vs Belia, Slave
Amst. witness \$ 210.85
Desert City fee .25
" Levy fee 18.00 18.25-\$192.60
Amst. of warrant \$ 206.65

A warrant was issued & delivered to
Chas. H. Hardee, as per order, for the
sum of Two Hundred & six dollars and
sixty five cents.

Wm H. Buffay Jr

bounty court
says jury fee
under strictures
opinion—

C. H. Hardin

No law for fee
for entering plea
of not guilty

C. H. Hardin