

Rockingham County to wit The Jurors for the body of the County  
aforesaid in solemn form present that Basil Stokes late of the parish  
of Rockingham in the said County of Rockingham Taylors on  
the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August in the year 1817 at the parish of Rockingham  
in the said County of Rockingham and within the jurisdiction  
of this Court a breach of the peace then & there did commit  
by unlawfully playing at a game called cards to wit in the  
workshop of Benjamin Stowers Chairmaker the said  
workshop being a public place: contrary to the Statutes in  
such case made and provided against the peace and dig-  
nity of the commonwealth of Virginia and to the evil  
examples of all other in like case offending

This Indictment is supported  
by the evidence of Frederick Ford  
a witness sent for by the Grand  
Jury



Commonwealth  
Slaves, Indentured

*[Decorative flourish]*

True bill

Hearing For

Cometh G.

Slaves & Indentured

for Gaining

1818 apt. du<sup>d</sup>.

The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of *Rockingham* County,

GREETING:

YOU are hereby commanded to summons

*Bailis Stubbs*

to appear before the Judge of our Superior court of Rockingham County,  
at the court house on the *first* day of *April* Court  
next ~~to testify and the truth to say in behalf of~~ *to answer an Indictment*  
*for unlawful Gaming at the Shop of Benjamin H. Owens in*  
*Port Republic* ~~in a certain matter of controversy in and~~  
~~said Court depending and undetermined between~~

~~And this~~ ~~shall in no wise omit under the penalty of 100~~  
And have then there this writ. Witness *Henry J. Gambill*, clerk of our  
said court at the court house the *3<sup>rd</sup>* day of *October*  
181*7* and in the *42<sup>nd</sup>* year of the commonwealth.

*H. J. Gambill*



no bond below

Wm. Burton & Co. for  
George Burton & Co.

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at the court house on the  
day of  
to appear before the Judge of our Superior Court of Rockingham

G. L. Linds

YOU are hereby commanded to summons  
Comth  
Stubs & Lums

The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of