

Rockingham County

The jurors for the Body of the County agree on
this oath present that John Hinkle late of ~~Rock~~^{of Rockingham} County laboured
on the 28th day of March 1820 with force and arms at the ~~peace~~^{peace} of the
County aforesaid and within the jurisdiction of this Court, two dung hill
kins of the value of twelve and a half cents each, and three pieces of
Baron of the value of one dollar each, of the goods and chattels of one Wil-
liam Payne, ~~then~~ and there found, felonious did steal take and carry
away against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth and
to the evil example of all others in like case offending.

Gabriel Payne, William Payne, Eleanor Payne—

Count
5
Hundred — 5 Quarts.

1820 May Court
Deft. Concord of Peter
Lacey, sentenced to
10 Years R.

We this Day find the
prisoner at the Bare Gilley
and to be punished
with Lashes

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No the very fine, the ~~at~~ Pilean valley
and as ^{desired} ~~and~~ his permission to ~~take~~ ^{take} the
stage, and we found that the inquiry states
is forth coming to be rendered (the corner —

True Love

11 July 1912

John Bush Johnson

Commençant
à Indutement
John Winkle

Sumous for the Commonwealth

Gabriel Paine - John Scott

Eleanor Paine & Jacob Howe
wifes of Wm Paine 3

Executed on John Mearns by Henry Doughty
Daniel Mearns Matthew Joseph Mearns
Henry Mearns & Richd Mearns
Minors of the Peace

Henry Doughty
James Mearns
Henry Mearns
James Mearns

Rockingham County Court.

To the Sheriff the Constables
of said County and to the keeper of the jail of said County. This is ~~therefore~~ to command you the said Constable in the name of the Commonwealth, to convey and deliver in to the custody of the said keeper of the jail the body of John Hinkle of ^{latro} County, charged before me with, on the 27th of March 1820 and the night of the same day, feloniously taking stealing and carrying away from three pieces of bacon, that is, one ham a shoulder, and medling and two huns from house of William Paine the said bacon and huns being the property of the ^d Paine - and you the said jailer, are hereby required to receive the said John Hinkle in to your jail and custody, and him there safely keep, till he shall thence be discharged by due course of law - Given under my hand and seal this 29th March 1820 in the year 1820 and in the 44th year of the Commonwealth.

W^m P. Fletcher Secy

Counts
" & Papers
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12.50

1820 April 4 Call
Court held and set
to County Court

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also

William Payne says, that he prepared his meat, at different times, and could not account for it, and on Monday Night ^{the 2^d of March last} ~~last~~, he went home from town, and set up until late in the Night, that some time late in the ~~Night~~ Night, he heard a fluttering with ~~his~~ hens, and after a short time he heard another, upon which he went a small stable where the hens, was, and as he got to the stable, he met the prisoner, with 2 hens. - who observes that here is two, The witness said Why Winkles, is this you, ~~what~~ what are you doing here, and then drew one of the hens, and observes, why Payne do you think I come here to steal your hens, - that he held the prisoner some time, and ^{at last} let the prisoner go, - he thinks it was about 4 hours in the Night, - the witness, says he found 3 pieces of Bacon in the possession of the prisoner, which he believes was a part of the bacon which he lost. that he believes the 3 pieces here ~~for~~ produced were of the same hog, he is confident that the ham is of his bacon, because when he cut up the hog, he left the tail to ~~the~~ one of the hams, which is the same one here produced, and which he thinks ~~he~~ is the same that was stole from him, The witness says that the moon was shining very bright, and that he took him into the moon light and examined him, and is confident that it was John Winkles the prisoner at the bar, The witness further says that ^{a part of} the bacon was taken from him between Bridgford and Denner on the same 2^d of March, last, and that he had lost some bacon about two weeks before,

