

Rockingham County To Wit
In the Circuit Court of said County.
The Jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia
in and for the County of Rockingham
and now attending the said Court upon
their oath present - that Wallace Woodfork
on the 8th day of June of the year 1866 in the County
aforesaid with malice aforethought - in and
upon one Wesley Gordon being then and there
armed with a dangerous weapon called
a certain billet of wood and did then and there
beat wound and cause bodily injury to him the
said Wesley Gordon with intent him the said
Wesley Gordon with set purpose and malice
aforethought to maim, disfigure, disable or
kill against the peace and dignity of the
Commonwealth of Virginia

Commonwealth

Indictment
for an Assault
with intent felon-
iously to maim
disfigure, maim
or kill
Wallace Goodfark

At true bill
B. E. Garf
Foreman

1866. Oct term

Nolle Prosequi

The Commonwealth of Virginia

To the Sheriff of Rockingham County Greeting.

We command you that you cause to come before the Circuit Court of Rockingham County on the first day of the next term thereof Twenty four good and lawful freeholders of your county residing as remote as may be from the place where the felony of which Wallace Woodford is accused ^{was committed} to recognize on their oaths whether the aforesaid Wallace Woodford be guilty of the felony aforesaid or not.

And have then there the names of the said freeholders and this writ Witness S W Gamble Clerk of the Circuit Court of Rockingham at the Court House this 26th day of September 1855 and in the 90th year of the Commonwealth

S W Gamble

Executed October 10th 1866 By Sumner James J Miller
Wm C Whitman Noah Burkholder Abraham J Layman
Branson W Parrell David A Heaton George Swope
John G. Heaton Geo W. Grey Joseph J Rice Philip Keller
Jacob W Lindsey John Keagy Gabriel D Heaton
James A Miller James McEune Henry Miller Jacob
Geo Jacob S Miller David Blocher A W. Whitman
Philip W Die Bazel B Burgh & Davis Andrew
R. G. Gauley & Co
S. R. Glendon & Co

Commenced

J. Menner
Wolfer

4 on the money

Harrisonburg. Va.

June 25th 1866

I hereby certify that I have carefully examined Wallace Wood-
fork (negro now confined in Jail
for felony), and find him suffering
from Incipient Phthisis Pulmonalis
and that in my opinion close con-
finement will not only aggravate
his disease but endanger his life.

I have also examined Wesley Gordon
the negro upon whom the assault was
made, and find him perfectly well &
far from all injuries recd at the hands
of said Wallace Woodfork.

W. P. Hill, M.D.

Brought before me by Dr. W. P. Hill this 25th day
of June 1866 - Given under my hand this 25th day
June 1866 -

Leon T. Harris, Judge

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Affiant of
Dr. Hill

To the Hon. John T. Harris Judge of the
12th Judicial District of Va.

The Petition of Wallace Woodford (Colored)
showeth that he has been arrested June 8th 1866
upon a charge of committing an assault
and battery with intent to kill maim
or disfigure upon Wesley Gordon (Colored). by
striking a billet of wood on his head
and threatening to kill said Wesley
Gordon in the Corporation of Harrisonburg
in the County of Rockingham Va. that he
was brought by J. L. Sibert Mayor said Corpora-
tion and by him committed to jail, that
he has been examined by an examining
Court and been sent on for further
trial before the next term of the Circuit
Court of said County. The petitioner further
showeth that he is in such a state of
health that confinement in jail will
seriously endanger his life. He therefore
prays that he may be brought before
your Honor and be allowed to give
bail to such amount as you
may deem proper for his appear-
ance before said County Court at its
next term.

June 25th 1866

Wallace Woodford
By G. M. G. G. G. G.

Personally appeared before me a Justice
of the Peace, the within named
Wallace Woodfork, and made oath
to the truth of statement in this
Petition. June 25th 1863

Wm. M. H. Waldmann, J.P.

It appearing to me
on the within petition
and the evidence taken
that continued confinement
of the Prisoner will
endanger his life and
that the party assaulted
is now well and that
the offence if it be a
felony at all, from
the evidence, is of an
inferior grade, I do
hereby admit the said
Wallace Woodfork
to bail in the sum
of fifty dollars for
his appearance to answer
the offence with which
he is charged before the
next term of the Circuit
Court. John Freeman Wm.
Peters, Jos. Williams &
Ben. Mickens solemnly
appeared before me and
acknowledged themselves as
surety for the said Woodfork
appearance as aforesaid
June 25 1863 John S. Harris
Judge &c

State of Va }
Rockingham } } Lowry:

Be it remembered that
on the 25th day of June 1846,

Wallace Woodford, John Freeman, Joseph
Williams, & Benjamin Mucken^{and William Peters} of said
County came before me John T. Harris
Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit of Va
and severally and jointly acknowledged
themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth
of Va in manner and form following, to wit:
jointly and severally in the sum of
fifty dollars, good and lawful money of the
United States to be repaid and levied of
their several goods and chattels, lands and
tenements to the use of the Commonwealth of
Virginia, if the said Wallace Woodford, shall
make default in performance of the condition
underwritten.

The condition of the above recognizance is
such that if the above named Wallace Woodford
do and shall personally appear before the said
Circuit Court of Rockingham on the first
day of such term thereof, then and then to
answer the Commonwealth for and concern-
ing a certain felony by him committed,
in feloniously committing an assault and
battering with intent to kill, maim or disfigure,
upon the person of Wiley Gordon, in the town of
Harrisonburg Va; wherein with the said Wallace
Woodford stands charged, and shall not
depart thence without the leave of said Court
then the above recognizance shall be void
else remain in full force and virtue.

The within recognizance was taken and acknowledged
before me by the within named parties the day
and year herein written.

John D. Sparrow, Judge of

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court of
Rockingham County

Hoodford H.
at
Comth. 3

Recognizance

To A. B. Sprinkel
Clerk Cir. Court

State of Virginia

Corporation of Harrisonburg to Wills
To the Clerk of the County Court of Rockingham County
J. L. Liberty Mayor and Ensign
a Justice of the Peace in and for said Corporation
do certify that I have this day committed to
Gaol of Rockingham County Wallace Woodfork
a free negro, that he may be examined
before the next County Court for a Pony by him
committed in this that he did on 8th day June
1866 in said Corporation and in the County
of Rockingham did commit an Assault and battery
with intent to Kill Maim or disfigure by beating
a bit of wood on the head of one Wesley
Jordan a free negro in the Corporation
of Harrisonburg and in the County of
Rockingham; Given under my hand
and seal this 8th day of June 1866

J. L. Liberty Mayor and
Ensign a J. P. in & C. H.

Commonwealth

v J. Bakers -

Woodford

Filed June 12. 1866

1866 June sent to Circuit

leaves for trial

Oct. Indict found
& Nolle Prosequi.

State of Virginia

Corporation of Hanoverburg to wit
To Samuel Pollock Sergeant of said Corporation
Whereas Benj Banfult of said Corporation has
this day made complaints on oath and information
before me J. L. Sifers Mayor and Ex officio a Justice
of the Peace in and for said Corporation
that on the 8th day of June 1864 in said Corporation
and in the County of Rockingham that Wallace
Woodfork a free negro in said Corporation
and in the County of Rockingham did
commit and Assaults and battery with intent
to Kill maim or disfigure upon Wesley
Gordon a free negro by striking a billet
of wood on this head and threatening
to Kill the said Wesley Gordon in
said Corporation and in the County
of Rockingham there are therefore
to command you in the name of the Commonwealth
forthwith to apprehend and bring before me
the body of the said Wallace Woodfork or some
Justice of the Peace in and for said County
to answer said Complaints and to be further
dealt with according to Law

Given under my hand and seal this
8th day of June 1864

J. L. Sifers Mayor and
Ex officio a. J. P. in C. H.

Witness

Leed G. H. Gordon	{	Ann Lightfoot ex
Benj. Banfult		John Freeman ex
		John Cook "
		Chorley Evans "

Executive June 8th 1866

W. B. Foster
Sergeant-
at-Arms

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