

Rockingham County Court.

To the ^{Constable} Sheriff of the said County
and to the ~~justice~~ keeper of the jail of said County:

Then are to command you, the said Con-
stable in the name of the Commonwealth, to convey and deliver
into the custody of the said keeper of the said jail, the body of Dan-
iel Hopkins, ^{the man of color laborer or} state of 10 County - Charged before me with, on the
night of the thirteenth day of January in the year 1820, feloniously
~~breaking open a box~~ breaking open a box & stealing
taking and carrying away Fifteen ^{in silver} Dollars, the property of
James Bojwell - at the house of the said James Bojwell in the County
aforesaid - against the peace and dignity of the Commonwea-
lth. And you the said justice, are hereby required to receive
the said Daniel Hopkins, ^{the man of color laborer}, into your
~~custody~~ jail and custody, and him there safely to keep, till
he shall thence be discharged by due course of law - Given
under my hand and seal, this 14th day of January 1820 and
in the 44th year of the Commonwealth.

Richard P. Mitchell

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Rockingham County, Court:

To the Sheriff of the said County:

Whereas Daniel Hopkins a free man of colour, labourer late of ~~the~~ County, was this day committed to the jail of this County, by my warrant, it appearing to me, that the felonious offence with which he stands charged, ought to be examined into by the County Court; therefore, on behalf of the Commonwealth, I require you, that you summon at least eight of the justices of the ~~peace~~ ~~of~~ your said County to meet at the Court house on the 20th day of January 1820 and then and there hold a court for the examination of the facts, with which the said Daniel Hopkins stands charged, and for such other purposes concerning the premises, as is by law required and directed - And that you have them there this writ - Given under my hand and seal the 14th day of January ~~1820~~ 1820 and 44th year of the Commonwealth

Richard P. Fletcher Esq

Enclosed on Peabody Harrison, Richard P. Fletcher, Henry Webb,
Jonathan Chapman, George Hutton, John Daniel Powell, Parker
Kington. You very much improve. Yours

Wm. H. Brown
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Wm. H. Brown for the
Comptroller

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Rockingham County Court.

To the Constable of said County.

Whereas James

Bozwell a free man of colour of sd County has been, hath this day made information, and complaint ~~on~~ upon oath before me, P^r P^r Fletcher one of the commonwealths justices of the peace for the said county, that ~~on~~ the night of the thirteenth of this month, divers goods of him the sd James Bozwell to wit five Dollars ~~in~~ ~~silver~~ have been feloniously stolen and carried away from the house of him the said James Bozwell, ~~at the house of~~ ~~in the town of~~ ~~in~~ the county aforesaid - and that he hath just cause to suspect, and ~~doth~~ ^{that Daniel Hopkins} suspect ~~of~~ ^{of} sd County labourer, feloniously did steal, take and carry away the same. This are therefore to command you forthwith to apprehend him the said ~~Daniel Hopkins~~ ^{Daniel Hopkins} and to bring him before me or some other justice for sd County, to answer unto the said information and complaint - and to be further dealt with according to law. Herein fail not - Given under my hand and seal the 15th day of January ~~1820~~ 1820

P^r P^r Fletcher

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