

Could not beleve it, with that your deponant went along with the said Fishborne, and found the said Haukings under the Banke hanging doune his head, and Called to him, and he did nott answere; soe your deponant stepped doune the banke and took him by the Arme and Lifted him up, he gaue A growne; we heareing, yo^r Deponant Called to the said Fishborne to Come and help them for he was nott yett dead, soe heareing that he stepped doune; Looking on his face your deponant espied A string about his neck, and Clapped his finger on th^e string and brook it, and slaked it about his Neck and further Saith nott

Liber BB
No. 2

Ralph Fishbourne, aged Twenty Two yeares or thereabouts sworne and Examined.

Saith That hee was mauling A Cutt of Timber, and the ouerseer gaue him orders as soone as hee had mauled that Cut, and Carried A Quarter to the Tobacco house, he should bring some fier and watter where the Overseer was att worke; your deponant being att the springe for watter, the boy Came to him and told him that Robert was fallen doune dead in the field by the Bay side soe that yo^r Deponant Came to the house and told his Master of what the Boy had told him, butt his Master Could hardly beleve him (And went nott, along with him) butt your Deponant Called the Overseer, and both of them went to the Bay side; And th^e Overseer Called to Robert: And he nott makeing answere, nor stering, hee went doune the banke to him, and tooke him by the Arme and Lifted him up; and hee gaue A groan, soe heareing that he Called your Deponant, and said hee was nott yett dead; soe your deponant took him by the arme and Lifted him upp then the ouerseer saw A string about his neck, and Clapped on his fingers upon it and it broake soe seing him dead we Lett him Lye; for any threatning words or Blowes he saw neither the ouerseer or his Master giue him any and further Saith Nott

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Ju^t Coram me Seth S Forster

Wee of the Jury before mentioned by virtue of these depositions haue unanemusly agreed, and doe find that Robert Haukins Late servant to Edmund Webb is a Fielo Desi and this is our virdict that hee ought nott to haue Christian Buriall.

Will^m Leedes foreman

A Court held for Talbott County on th^e 21th of September 1664

Present

M^r Will^m Coursey } M^r Seth: Forster }
M^r Tho: South } M^r James Ringold } Commissioners

This Court sitting and haueing no Bussiness haue appoynted the next Court to bee held att m^r W^m Courseys house in Wye River upon the Third Tusday in Nouember 1664/