

attending it were that said Negro Ned had resist-
ed and would not surrender himself and had
prepared himself with a club and a drawn
knife and declared he would kill Lawson
Lee before sun set and he would also kill
any other person who should attempt to touch
him and in the attempt of the said Samuel
Wilson Lee to take said Negro Ned the said
Negro Ned made several stabs and thrusts with
his knife at the said Lee and the said Samuel
Wilson Lee gave the said Negro Ned the mortal
wound of which he died without any intention
of killing the said Negro Ned and the Jurors
of the said Inquest did thereupon Present
that the said Negro Ned came by his death
by chance medley. - and whereas a number
of respectable persons inhabitants of Hayford
County have recommended the granting of a
Habeas Prosequi on the said Inquisition and
from the circumstances disclosed to me it appears
that such an Interposition is right and proper
I have thought proper to order and direct