

-ceeding the attempted arrest, in which white men were participant & accessory.

That as the Gorsuch party advanced towards Parkers house (the scene of the murmur) and when within two miles distance, at four o'clock in the morning, a bugle was sounded in their immediate neighbourhood, & immediately upon reaching the house by day-light, a horn was blown from the window of the house, & several negroes in the room up stairs were heard loading their guns.

That upon approaching the house missiles were thrown from the windows, striking two of the white party & an axe thrown down stairs at the United States officer, Mr Kline.

That the first firearms discharged was from the window upstairs, at the deceased Edward Gorsuch, but without effect.

That before seeking an entrance, officer Kline read his warrants from Commissioner Ingraham, for the arrests of four slaves, the property of Mr Gorsuch, two of whom were actually in the house at the time.

That the authority of the U.S. through its officer was deliberately denied & defied. That the negroes in the house, after some short time, requested time to consider what they would do; doubtless to await further reinforcements expected by them & a truce of fifteen minutes was allowed them by the Gorsuch party.

That just before the expiration of the time allowed, Parker Hannaway, a white man, rode up on his horse to the bar, close to the house, & that he was a miller, residing several miles off without any known business or occasion for his presence at Parker's house at so early an hour in the morning.

That immediately on the appearance of Hannaway the negroes in the house gave an exulting shout & appeared to be elated in spirits.

That Kline immediately approached Hannaway who made no reply to his salutation of good morning, that Kline then inquired if he, Hannaway, lived in that neighbourhood to which he replied that it was none of Kline's business. Kline then asked his name & he said that "he Kline, would have to find it out." That the warrants were then handed to Hannaway and deliberately read by him & he was distinctly informed that Kline was a deputy of the United States, fully author-