State
vs
Wm Earles

Indictment
Treason against the State —+
The Dft being interogated
Pleads not Guilty of the charge

Whereupon the defendant submitted to the Court in his own proper hand writing ~~the~~ Commencing at page 1st to page 9 which is hereunto annexed —

B. S. Griffin sworn, — says that the prisoner claims relationship with the Indians being half Brother of Milly Francis and was not afraid to go among them and preferred living with the Indians instead of the whites (the Hostile Indians) as he had ~~Dr~~ ~~English~~ Blood in his veins

Peter Pope sworn, sayeth that the prisoner Boarded with him in the year 1834 and followed the trade of a watch maker or repairer + that the prisoner abased the Government of the U.S. + appeared opposed to it —
+ Examined by Prisoner, says he abased the government frequently without argument —

Mr W Burnett sworn says he is not personally acquainted with Defendant but see among the Indians + appeared quite familiar —

J. F. Bercher sworn, says he has seen the Dft in Wetumpka
+ Examined by Dft says he never heard defendant abuse the Government of the United States directly

Jos. W Curtis sworn says he saw the Defendant in Lowndes County in this State some two or three years since + employed him to repair his clock inquired of Dft what was his motive for staying in the nation to which Dft replyd for the purpose of acquiring a knowledge of their Language

and to send his way H.

+ Examined by Deft

Says he never heard defendant say or make any inference that he thought the Indians Justifiable in committing depredations on the property or persons of the Citizens of the United States ——

Col John Houghton (Sworn) says he preferred the society of Indians to that of the whites and that he had been for and during the last two or three weeks among the Hostile Indians. Deft observed if he was found loose he would return to the Hostile Indians that he considered himself safer among them than among the whites

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In the beginning of July last I left the district of Nacogdoces passing through the towns of Nacogdoces & St Augustine; I crossed the sabine on the direct road to ~~Nacogdo~~ Nachitoches; I passed by fort Jessup & turned southward towards the Opelousas I crossed the head of the bayou Crocodile, passed through the pine prairie ~~into~~ through flat town through Negroville, ~~&~~ through the village of Opelousas, ~~&~~ went down the bayou teche to saint Martinsville & to Franklin at which place I was sick some time, and was attended by one Doctor Youngblood; on mending a little I still continued down the aforesaid bayou, to near the Dutch prairie where I was again sick for some weeks, after that I ~~&~~ still went down the same water course to a certain bay on which are the lowest settlements thereabouts. I returned through franklin to St Martinsville where I caught the Ague I staid at that place a while in hope of recovery, but not getting well determined to proceed; I crossed the Mississipi river at plaquemines, passed through Baton Rouge, thence to the Amite river, up it, & north Eastward=ly to Pearl river, up it some distance, thence through Gallatin, in Copia County, down the Bayou Pierre, up a creek called the white oak, thence I believe through a place called Raymond, & through Amsterdam across the Big Black river & on till I came near Vicksburg, I then went up the Yazoo river, went through Benton, Georgeville Franklin & Lexington, recrossed the Big black river

went through Madisonville, and up the ~~Mr~~ Robinson road to Columbus in the State of Mississippi which place I passed through a day or two after Christmas day, I thence passed through Tuscaloosa and on to Centreville on the Cahawba river, thence through pleasant Valley to Selma at which place I crossed the Alabama river I passed through a place on big swamp called I believe Benton, & through another little village near there thence again ~~to~~ through Vernon, thence through Coosanda, thence through West Wetumpka, across the bridge to East Wetumpka at which place I bought a black frock coat & had a shoe put on my horse, thence to Mr Thrasher's where I staid a day or two, thence through the town of Tallapsee to the house of Tustinok chopko where I staid all night, thence to Chowocolee where I staid two or three days at the ~~House~~ House of a woman name Atologie, thence to Columbus Ga, from there to Lagrange to see Peter Buchan, found him absent, he had gone to Columbus, I returned to Columbus, found him, stayed with him a day or two, ~~set~~ & then returned to Chowocolee at which place I staid for aught I know as long as two weeks, Thence to Tustinok chopkos on the Enfaubee creek, Thence through the New Town of Tuckabatchee, across the Tallapossee river and to Atburry's Mill where I staid all night, thence in company with Mr Atbury to Mount Meigs, where I worked a day or two for Col Freney, thence again on to the lower part of the Tallapossee river, I went about a place named Augusta I was at the house of an Irishman named I believe Crane.

Thence through the Prairies in Montgomery county across Coutomie and on to either Pinchoni or Pintlolli to a settlement where live several men Named Mosely, I there worked amongst other people for one Captain Nat. Bush, a justice of the peace, whose teeth grow very irregularly, and for a Mr Holmes; this was at the time of the draft of men who were sent to Florida; I went to Montgomery with squire Bush the day on which the Volunteers met there, & returned again with him to his house; a few days afterwards leaving that part of the country I passed again through Montgomery crossed the Tallapoosee at the Augusta Ferry, staid again at Mr. Atbury's, again crossed the Tallapoosee at Tuckabahtchee, forded the Eufaubee creek and slept again at Tustinok Chopko's, thence again to Chowocolee where I staid a day or two; thence (& partly in Company with a man named Bailey or King, of his name I am not certain but he has a store between The Chowocola & Opillaikie) to West point where I staid all night on the west side of the Chattahoochee, I crossed the Chattahoochee river next day & went to LaGrange, this was fifteen or ~~twenty~~ days before the last council at Luchapoka; Buchan made a few spurs, I started with them crossed the chattahoochee at West point, slept at the House of ~~an Indian~~ a Coweta Indian at Osonuppah. Named Charley Harjo Chopko, went with him and another Indian or two whose names I do not know, to the Black store thence across the ~~Neg~~ Osonuppah to the Neighborhood of Chambersville, to where lives one Foos itsee Emartla, at which place I sold a pair of spurs to a Young Indian named I think Natawee, On I believe the same night I went with said Charley Harjo to a dance at Jim Allen's at which we staid all night; the next day I believe, Charley harjo gave me nine dollars of which to make him a pair of spurs, and I returned to Lagrange ~~at~~ for more spurs.

At this time I believe or it may have been the time when I was previously in Lagrange, I took a trip up the states road to near the Reserve or New Yorkau on the Chattahoochee river, thence to Newnan & Back again to Lagrange; at one of these times also, I cannot recollect which, ~~who~~, while Buchan was making spurs I went to Columbus to attend to business for him.

A very few days before the Luchapoka council I again crossed the Chattahoochee at westpoint & again staid all night with Charley Harjo, who not liking the spurs I made for him told me to sell them ~~for~~ and ~~mk~~ make others for him; the next day I passed again by the Blaik store and slept to the best of my knowledge at the house of Okefuskee Yaholah at Sitarillija; the next day passing by Chockaissee Charties store ~~and~~ to Luchapoka and stopped at Pooltle Macotsee's house, the house was shut, but in the Yard I found ~~Nako~~ Nakome son to Tustinok chopko; I mentioned to him my desire to stay with Pooltle Maco; Nakome went to the store in the neighborood where he saw either Pooltle Maco or his wife and let them know my intentions; I was not that day at the council house but under stood there were there many white people & but few Indians. The next day and the day following I was at the council house & sold all the spurs I had there about eight pair in all; one pair to an Indian named Greyson, and another pair to which had been originally made for Charley Harjo to an Indian named little Doctor whom I have since seen ~~near~~ at Mr Lorejoy's store. In the evening of the second day, being at Pooltle Maco's, and talking with some white men about swapping horses I lost out of my waistcoat pocket, my pocket book containing above a hundred dollars in paper, I have not found it again.

On that night Yargie slept at Pooltle Maco's.

The next day was the last of the council I did not go to the square, but looked for my pocket book. In this employment I spent three or four days and finally gave up the search. Pooltle Maco wanted spurs he said if I would go with him to Notopalga where some of his kin were in debt to him he would give me money to make the spurs with & introduce me to his relations, we went accordingly; Pooltle Maco got about thirty dollars in pay for a horse, we ~~went~~ returned the same night to Lucha poka, passing by the square where some Indians were dancing to a fiddle, we stopped a while and a woman named Assabotsie gave me three dollars to make her a pair of bracelets. The next day Pooltle Maco gave me six dollars to make him a pair of spurs of. Billy Low while at the council also ordered me to make him a pair of spurs. I returned to Sitsarillija slept at Okefuskee Yaholah's, the next night slept at Charley Harjo's, the next in Lagrange.

I staid at work in Lagrange about a week, then again crossed the Chattahooch at West Point, again slept at Charley Harjo's, the next day went to Sitsarillija to see Harlock Harjo who had asked me for spurs but he did not buy any, and I slept at Okefuskee Yaholah's, the next day started for Billy Low's, not knowing precisely where he lived I did not get to his house until late. He bought a pair of spurs and ordered more, I staid with him that ~~nat~~ night the next day he advised me to go to Greyson's about six miles from there where there was to be a ball play and a dance; In going I passed by Mr Catlin's store, & wrote a letter to Peter Buchan which I left at the store & it was duly forwarded to LaGrange.

6. At Greyson's we played ball all the evening and danced all night, the next day we laid by and the day following that I went with Harja Yaholah to within three miles of Chatofska where he bought & paid me for a pair of spurs; I left Harja Yaholah in the Afternoon and went to Luchapoka I arrived after dark at Poultle Macs; Poultle Mac took his spurs and paid me for them, and I went to Notopsalga which is between Luchapoka and the Eufaubee creek. At Notopsalga I sold three pair of spurs two pair of Brackets, and received an order for another spur, I staid at that place one night and then went to Tustunok Chopka I staid there several days waiting for a Ball play but the play was broken up under pretence of the small pox. I then started in Company with Nakome to go to a council to be held at Wehatolahaga, we passed through Tuskegee and on to Opilclocko where Nakome's wife lives we passed the Evening at some stores on the road one of which is kept I think by a man named Thorn; At night Nakome took me to the house of a Kinsman of his whose name I do not know promising to be back in the Morning; in the Morning I waited for him till I was tired, and procaded to the council ground without him; on the way there I met Judge Bandy formerly of Columbus in Georgia. In the course of the day Nakome came to the council ground, we camped there, the next day no council was held Nehah Mac was said to have the ~~tooth ache~~. A day was appointed for a Ball play, and I went back with Nakome to his wife's where I staid that night.

The next day I went to Chowocolee, saw Woxey Maco and asked him who wanted spurs, he sent me to, an Indian on Chatoxefalee, I went there the Indian had already supplied himself, and I went that day to Hotologie's on the Chowocolee creek where I staid several days waiting for the Ball play, on the day appointed for going to the Ball play, my horse got astray, and I found him the next day too late to go to Neatolahaga I therefore started for another ball play at Mr Catlin's store and got there after it was over, the Greyson's were there and asked me home with them I went, staid with them all night, sold them a pair of Bracelets and left, the next day I got again to where the before mentioned Natawie lives, to a woman there I sold a pair of bracelets and staid all night, the next day I went with Choloke Yeoholoh and another Indian to the Black store, passed the night at Charley Harjo's and returned to Lagrange.

At Lagrange I staid about four days, I crossed the Chattahooche at West point saw Charley Harjo; left my spectacles at the Black store went to Billy Low's where the folks were raising a Mill; Billy advised me to go to Luchapoka where The Agent Haybert was to have been, I went to Pooltle Maco's, he told me the agent would not come, I staid there all night, early next morning went to see an Indian who had asked for spurs, he could get no money until his land was certified to, I went back to Pooltle Maco's to breakfast after Breakfast started for Notossalga, passing by the Luchapoka square I saw the principal Indians taking the Black drink, I stopped spoke to them they gave broken days for a Ball play to be held at Tallassee to which they said they were going;

8 I rode on to Notosalga staid there the remainder of the day and the night, the next day, Monday I went to Tustinok Chopko's and staid there all night, on tuesday I went up the Eufaubee Creek as far as ~~Nocos~~ Nocos E Martla's, on the road I heard from Indians that the people of Tuskeega were fortifying their place. I croped the Eufaubee at Nocose Martla's went throug Tuskeega to the Persimmon swamp to see James Mc Gilvray, I saw him, passed the night at Autosi Harjo's, went on Wednesday to Tuskeega where there was a council held, in the Evening went home with Nocos E Martla staid with him all night the next day in the evening there came an Indian from towards Thallapee who said there was war on Sanga Hatchee, and that Thalapa was to be attacked that night, directly after came another Indian from Notosalga who said there had been white people killed in the direction of Chowcola, they both rode off to spread the news farther, at night Nakome rode by to see the people at big swamp promising to return the next day.
The next day having slept at Nocosemartla's I went to Tustinok Chopko's, & from there to Tallapee at night I returned to Tustinok chopko's I passed the night with him, he advised me to go towards the Coosa river, the next morning I croped the Eufaubee went to the New town of Tuckabatchee, spoke to Lucius Breedlove, croped the Tallapoosee, sold a pair of bracelets to the ferryman, went up through the low grounds towards Tallapee, saw a Mulberry tree got up it eat some Mulberries, I went on met some white people, heard the news, went on towards Dubois' Mill turned off to the left.

I turned off to the left, came to an Indian house, got some more Mulberries, went on, struck a waggon road, saw a man at the corner of a fence with a gun & some dogs, went on saw a trail, liked it, followed it till I came to some Indian houses, eat some sofkie at them, went on to Mr Dorsey's store, saw the little Doctor there staid with him, went home with him got an order for a head piece & pair of armlets, staid with him all night, came the next day (Sunday) to Mrs Wards, staid all night went to ~~Mr~~ Molly France's where squire Lofton & two other men found me.

Wm Carles