

JACKSON COUNTY, September Term, 1822.

We the Grand Jurors of Jackson county present as a grievance, the present situation of our Court House. We recommend to the Inferior Court to levy an extra tax on the citizens of said county, for the purpose of repairing or building a new Court House.—Consented to unanimously.

We the Grand Jury present Daniel Raspberry for trading with a negro on the fifth inst. at his own house: Witnesses, James Bates, Peter Anglin, Charles Miller, Isaac M'Daniel.

We the Grand Jury present as a grievance, the bad situation of our public roads—Also, the Public Square and streets in the village of Jefferson.

We the Grand Jury present as a grievance, that the patrol-law is not more strictly enforced.

We the Grand Jury, believing that the opinion of the presiding Judge of this Court, on the subject of the legality of the late removal of the Secretary of State is of great importance to the citizens at large, do request that it be published, and we cannot omit this opportunity of expressing our approbation of the step that has been taken by the Court; for as a public sentinel, occupying a very important station in the government, designed to check the encroachments of either of the branches, it is his bounden duty to suffer nothing to pass that important post, in violation of the law, or the true and just principles of our republican institutions, and that when such an event takes place, the people have a right to expect from the Judiciary a firm and independent resistance.

We the Grand Jury return our thanks to his Honour Judge Clayton, for his unremitting attention during the present Term.

T. HYDE, Foreman.	GIDEON SHOCKLY,
A. CUNNINGHAM,	JOHN BORDERS,
ALLEN WHITE,	GEORGE COWEN,
EDWARD STORY,	TANDY KEY,
A. YARBROUGH,	SAMUEL HAY,
NAT. C. JARRETT,	JOS. RATCHFORD,
SAMUEL BARNETT,	ROBERT MARTIN,
JOHN ROGERS,	H. THURMOND,
JAMES ARMER,	JAMES HORTON,
ELIJAH LAY,	HEZIKIAH PRICE,
JOSEPH LANDRUM	

We the Grand Jury request that the above presentments be published.

On motion of Cicero Holt, Sol. Gen. it is therefore ordered that the Clerk of this Court forward a copy of these presentments to the Editor of the Journal for publication.

A true extract from the minutes.

EDWARD ADAMS, Clerk.