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This day John Blackwood Esquire appeared before me Henry Thomson one of the Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid and made Oath in due form of Law That a certain Washington Price & a young woman by the name of Susannah Webb came to the House of deponent late in the night in company with a certain Abraham Mafsey who applied to Deponent as a Justice of the Peace for said County to celebrate the rites of Matrimony between them the said Washington Price and Susannah Webb and to join them together as Man & Wife Deponent not having any acquaintance with the young Couple he enquired of said Mafsey to know from whence they came he stated that said Washington Price was a young man from the County of Wake within the State aforesaid who had been in the neighborhood of Chapel Hill for some length of time - and that Susannah Webb was a relation of his wife's - and a Daughter of Polly Webb and the reason why they did not apply to the Justice immediately in the neighborhood of Chapel Hill was that the Students at the place were mischievous when a circumstance of the kind occurred Deponent states that he did not know at the time that Washington Price was a student at Chapel Hill otherwise he would not have married them = Deponent at the time observed to said Mafsey that it would have been more convenient for the parties to have applied to Henry Merritt also an acting Justice of the Peace directly in their neighborhood - he replied that he Merritt was that kind of man who did not like to be troubled with such business -

Deponent has understood since from Mr. Merritt that said Mafsey applied to him on the same night the aforesaid Parties but that he refused to do so - upon the ground that he considered