leading from Sally Foster's to Dale's house, but it was in a secluded thickety ridge. During the search we discovered a large mud hole near Frances Melton's which we intended to drag but it being late in the evening, put it off until next day. The next day we discovered signs of mud leading off from that direction towards the Yadkin River near Witherspoon's. We had not noticed these signs the day before, We dragged the whole but but found nothing

No other female had disappeared from that neighborhood at that time except Laura Foster. No other person had gone off from the neighborhood, except Thos Dale (cross examined) I think it was about 5 or 6 weeks after the disappearance of Laura Foster, before Pauline Foster left for Watauga — She was arrested twice. It was generally reported that Ann Melton indulged in illicit intercourse with others besides the prisoner.

I have assisted in employing counsel for the prosecution, I have no feeling of enmity against the accused, I am influenced solely by consideration of the Public good.

Dr Carter, (recalled by the State) testified