Laura Foster then and there with the Knife aforesaid in and upon the breast of her the said Laura Foster one mortal wound of the breadth of one inch and of the depth of six inches of which said mortal wound the said Laura Foster then and there instantly died and so the jurors aforesaid upon their Oath aforesaid do say that the said Thomas Dula the said Laura Foster in manner and form aforesaid feloniously wilfully and of his malice aforethought did Kill and Murder and the jurors aforesaid upon their oath aforesaid do further present that Ann Mellon late of the County of Wilkes before the said felony and murder was committed in form aforesaid to wit, on the tenth day of June A D 1866 in the county aforesaid did feloniously and maliciously incite move procure aid counsel hire and command said Thomas Dula the said felony and murder in manner and form aforesaid to do and commit against the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the state

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Ordered by the Court that an additional venire of Twenty men be summoned by the sheriff returnable instanter the defendant waived the venire and accepted the following jury which by consent are sworn as jurors in this case

1 Johnson Hampton	5 J M Prevet	9 Henry Nichols
2 John Adams	6 Alfred Forrester	10 Thomas Walsh
3 Peyton Parsons	7 J C Summerlin	11 Miles Vance
4 Reuben Hays	8 W P Ashe	12 W^m A Foster

Who being charged and sworn on their verdict say that the prisoner at the bar is not Guilty of the felony and murder as principal accessory before the fact as charged in the bill of indictment

It is adjudged by the court that the prisoner go

Court adjourned until half past 8 O'clock to morrow

Saty Morning Oct 24th 1868

Court met pursuant to adjournment