CIRCUIT COURT

MAY TERM, 1853

Platte County Circuit Court
Circuit Court
May Term 1853 (Special Term)

Box 25 File 64

State of Missouri

vs

Abe, a Slave.

Assault with Intent to Murder

Accused of stabbing Nathan Newby, his master, w/ a pocket knife

In the Circuit Court
At a Special Term
Began on the 30th day of May
AD 1853

Platte County To wit

The Grand Jurors of the State of Mis=
=souri for the body of the County of Platte aforesaid upon their
Oath present That Abe, a Slave, (then and there being the
property of one Nathan Newby) late of said County, on the
first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and fifty three with force and arms at the County
of Platte aforesaid, with a certain Knife Commonly called a pocket
Knife, and which said Knife was then and there a deadly weapon likely
to produce death, and which said Knife he the said Abe then
and there in his right hand had and held, with the Blade open
feloniously, on purpose and of his Malice aforethought then and there did assault
and Stab the said Nathan Newby then and there being, with intent
him the said Nathan Newby then and there to Kill and Murder
Contrary to the form of the Statute in such case Made and provided
and against the peace and dignity of the State

James Craig
Circuit Attorney

The State
vs
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A True Bill
Thompson J. Cox
Foreman of the
Grand Jury

Witness
Nathan Newby
John Sparks