Platte County Circuit Court
Circuit Court
February Term 1858

Box 41 File 89

State of Missouri

vs

Vaughn, John

Ferrying Slaves

Accused of taking a slave (name unknown) belonging to John W Brightwell across the river to Kansas

State of Missouri } In the Platte
County of Platte } Circuit Court
at the February
term thereof A.D.
1858.

The Grand Jurors for the State of
Missouri for the body of the County
of Platte aforesaid being duly
sworn upon their oath present-
that John Vaughn late of said
County on the first day of Dec=
ember A.D. 1857 at the County
of Platte aforesaid was then
and there a ferryman and ~~was~~
as such ferryman was in command
of a certain boat crossing and
re-crossing the Missouri River
from the County of Platte into
the Territory of Kansas, and as
such ferryman he the said John
Vaughn did then and there
felonously
cross and suffer and permit to be
croped on said boat ~~for~~ and re-croping
so croping
said River as aforesaid, a certain
slave belonging to John M. Bright=
well but ~~whose name is~~ the name
of which slave is to the jurors unknown
said slave being then and there

~~across said river~~ across said river
taken on said boat and carried
into the Territory of Kansas by the said
ferryman aforesaid, whereby said
slave was carried out of this
State, ~~said~~ all of which acts afore-
said shall were then and there done
by the said John Vaughn as afore-
said without the written consent of the master or owner of
said slave, the said John W.
Brightwell then and there being
the master and owner of said
slave, contrary to the form of
the Statute in such case made
and provided and against the
the peace and dignity of the
State

P. M. Bassett
Circuit Attorney

Filed February 25th 1858
W C Rommington Clerk

writ issued March 10th 1858

Con. Pace

State
vs
John Crumpton

Forging Slave

A True Bill

W P Burney
Foreman of the Grand Jury

Witnesses
G. J. Elmer
John M. Brightwell
W. F. Brightwell
John Miller

STATE OF MISSOURI: }
COUNTY OF PLATTE. } **sct.**

The State of Missouri to the Sheriff of Platte County, Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to ~~summon~~ Jake John Vaughn and Lunis Safely Keck so

that he be and appear before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, in and for said county, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the Court House, in Platte City, on Monday, the 30th day of August next, then and there to answer unto the State of Missouri for "Enticing Slave, of which he stands indicted by the Grand Jury of Platte County aforesaid

Wherein fail not, and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, WM. C. REMINGTON, Clerk of said Circuit Court, with the seal thereof affixed, in Platte City, this 10 day of March 1858

W. C. Remington Clerk.

By James L. March D.C.

I Jno R Bryant Shff Platte Co Mo
do certify that I have made due search
and used due diligence and ~~made due search and~~
the within named Defendant not found
in Platte Co Mo this 30 Aug 1858

Jno R Bryant Shff

State
Fee Mark
John Vaughn

Aug 30th 1858

Jno R Bryant
Shff

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