

had been stolen from W. L. Willson, he, deponent, also learning that at about the same period of these thefts, a negro by the name of Nelson, sometimes called Nelson Hackett, was missing from his plantation, became suspicious that he was the thief, and started in pursuit of him and the property: that on the 6th of September instant he arrived at Chatham, Upper Canada, where he found the said negro Nelson, and in his possession the mare, watch, and chain, saddle and over-coat above described: that with the assistance of deputy sheriff Lipman, of the western district of Upper Canada, he arrested the said Nelson, and that he was taken before James Reid and Thomas M. M'Crea, esqrs., justices of the peace at Chatham, and by them committed to prison.

(signed) *Alfred Wallace.*

Subscribed and sworn before me this 16th day of September A.D. 1841.

(signed) *E. J. Roberts,*  
Notary Public, Wayne County, State of Michigan.

State of Michigan, county of Wayne.—*George G. Gregg*, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is a citizen of the county of Washington, in the state of Arkansas: that on or about the 16th day of July A.D. 1841, at a late hour of the night, the dwelling-house of O. Evans, in said county and state, was entered, and a gold watch and chain valued at 148 dollars, belonging to Augustus J. Ward stolen therefrom; and that on the night of the 17th July A.D. 1841, the plantation of A. Wallace, same county and state, was entered, and a roan mare, branded with the figure 2 upon her left fore shoulder, valued at 100 dollars, stolen therefrom: that a fine quilted saddle belonging to W. L. Willson was stolen about the same time, in the same neighbourhood, and a fine new blue beaver over-coat, lined and faced with black velvet, belonging to A. Wallace: that a negro named Nelson, sometimes called Nelson Hackett, was missing about the same time. Deponent further says, that on the 21st day of July he started in pursuit of the said Nelson on the presumption that he was the thief: that he arrived in Sandwich, Upper Canada, on the 13th day of September instant, where he found that the said Nelson had been apprehended and committed to prison; that through the grates of the Sandwich gaol he had identified him; that he has been shown the watch and chain, the saddle and the over-coat above described, and the magistrate committing the said Nelson, and identified the same as being the one stolen as above related; and that he had also seen and identified the said roan mare, the articles and the mare being found, as stated to him by the magistrate, in possession of the said Nelson.

(signed) *George G. Gregg.*

Subscribed and sworn before me this 16th day of September A.D. 1841.

(signed) *E. J. Roberts,*  
Notary Public, Wayne County, State of Michigan.

Western District, to wit.—THE examination of *Nelson Hackett*, of the county of Washington, state of Arkansas, labourer, taken before us, Thomas M'Crea and James Reid, esqrs., two of Her Majesty's justices of the peace in and for said district. The said Nelson Hackett, being charged before us the said justices, on the oath of Alfred Wallace, of Arkansas aforesaid, merchant, for that he, the said Nelson Hackett, on or about the 18th July last past, did feloniously take, steal, and carry away one roan mare, branded with a figure 2 on the left shoulder, one blue over-coat, and a quantity of Mexican silver and American gold, of the value of 100£, the property of the said Alfred Wallace, upon his examination saith, that the mare above described, and now found in the possession of the prisoner, and the coat, is the property of the said Alfred Wallace; was in the service of the said Alfred Wallace as a slave; took the mare from the race track-field, and the coat he took out of the house; the saddle in another stable; got the watch in Mr. Evans's house up stairs; thought it was Mr. Augustus Ward's watch. He

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The Right Hon.  
Sir C. Bagot to  
Lord Stanley.  
20 Jan. 1842.