

State of North Carolina } To any Lawful officer
Randolph County }

Whereas Eli Whitney ^{of New Haven} Maketh Complaint to me
James Elliate acting Justice of the Peace for said
County that on or about the 3rd night of the 3rd day of
May last (1844) he lost a bee hive from his stand, which
he has just cause to believe & does believe was stolen by
one Milton Hill & ~~some~~ some young boys, Ruben Smith
son of Cornilus Smith & George M. Dowel & Lige M. Dowel
sons of James M. Dowel

These are therefore to Command you to bring the
said Milton Hill immediately before some Justice of
the Peace if to be found within your County to answer
the above Charge & be dealt with according to Law.

Witness my hand & seal. Given under my hand
& seal. July 13. 1844.

Wm. J. P. (Seal)

Summons for the state
Lige M. Dowel &
Ruben Smith