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York Court House
October Term 1842

The grand jurors for the York district beg leave to present, that as regards the health of the country there has been no season within the recollection of the jurors, in which such general sickness has pervaded the whole face of the country, attended with such fatality and without, stopping to inquire into the natural or proved what causes of such visitation, the jury would suggest that as there is a great deal of dead timber and large quantities of vegetable matter in a constant course of decay, they have the greatest confidence that burning over the whole face of the country (that is the timbered land) would prove particularly beneficial, altho they are aware that prejudices exist against burning as injuring the timber and production of the land which they think is probably not well founded.

We present as a grievance that the practitioners of medicine, under the Thompsonian System, are not allowed to collect their bills by law as other physicians.

JOHN SPRINGS, foreman
JOSEPH WALLACE
GILBERT SHAW
WILLIAM GLENN
A G LAWRENCE
JOSEPH BRANDON
ROBERT M. WILSON
R. C. YOUNGBLOOD
W. L. ERWIN
JAMES BRIAN
THOMAS Y. GWINN
MANSFIELD GORDON
JOSIAH G. SMITH
JOHN MCSWAIN
ANDREW NELSON
SOLOMON KIMBRELL
BENJAMIN NEELY

We desent from the presentment respective of physicians.

JOHN SPRINGS
JOSIAH G. SMITH
JOHN MCSWAIN

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The foregoing is a true copy of a portion of the presentment of the Grand Jury for York District at October term 1842.

Given under my hand & seal of office at York Court House November 15th, 1842.

JAMES KUYKENDAL
C. C. Cpls