

1841-020 SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

MUSGRAVE et al vs. HARRIS' ADMINISTRATOR

6/1841

other surnames: PERSON

Musgrave & Co
" } Gill & Co

Harris & Co

1840 Nov. Deneas filed &c

1841 May. Report

" June Deneas final

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Persons & Co. & Co.

Harris }
" } Bille & Co
" } Deane

To the Worshipful County Court of South-
ampton in Chancery -

Thumtly complainers shew unto your
worships your Complainants George, Thomas
and Sarah Mangrove infants of Mrs J
Mangrove who claim under a deed of gift
from their mother prior to her intermarriage
with her present husband, Nevill Harris, and
Mary E. Persons wife of Mrs A Persons their
next friend, that at the death of Capt-
N Harris one third of his personal estate was
allotted to the widow in right of dower
which she continued to hold during her
life, the widow has lately departed this
life so that a division becomes necessary
between those entitled, they therefore pray they
are remediless at law and only relievable
in Equity where matters of this kind are
alone cognizable, pray the Court to decree
a division of sd dower. and they also
pray that Edwin Harris the father may
be made a defendant hereto & be
compelled to answer the same, asking
such other general relief as may be
concomitant to justice and the rules of
the Court they will ever pray &c.
Ridley.

The answer of E. Harris &c

This Respondent saving to himself all
benefit of exception that may hereafter arise
& or answer says he has no objection
to the decree prayed and having
answered prays to be then dismissed

Persons for ad litem
or
Harris v. etc. } Decree

This day the cause was docketed
by leave of Court and consent of parties
and came on to be heard on the bill
and answer and was argued by
Council on consideration whereof
the Court doth order adjudge and
decree that William Ludkins, Nath
Francis and Mark T. Pette be
appointed commissioners of two of
whom may act. that they divide the
down slaves of Mrs Elizabeth Harris
in her late husband's estate into four
equal parts and allot one share to
Ezra Harris in his own right, one
to the heirs of Robert T. Murgun-
der, one to the Guardian of Minors
Harris and the other to the Son of
Mary Elizabeth Persons in right of
her mother and report their proceedings
to the Court in order to a final decree

Misgrave Jas

W.

} Copy Done

Harris adms

For Commissioners

Southampton November Court 1840

George Thomas and Sarah Musgrave infants of Ro: J Musgrave, Next
Heirs. and Mary E Person infants by John A Person their next friend

against
Edwin Harris admor. of Elizabeth Harris dec^d

Peffs. In Chancery

At: 1

This day this cause was docketed by leave of the Court and consent of parties and
came on to be heard on the bill and answer and was argued by Counsel. On considera-
tion whereof the Court doth order, adjudge and decree that William Jenkins, Nat.
Francis. and Mark J Peete be appointed Commissioners, any two of whom may act.
that they divide the diverse Slaves of Mrs Elizabeth Harris in her late husbands
estate into four equal parts and allot one share to Edwin Harris. in his own
right, one to the heirs of Robert J Musgrave dec^d, one to the guardian of Edwin Harris
and the other to the guardian of Mary Elizabeth Persons in right of her mother - and
report their proceedings to the Court in order to a final decree.

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Teste. L R Edwards Secy

Southampton County Court:

1840. December 17th.

We the undersigned Commissioners in obedience to the annexed Orders, have divided the slaves therein mentioned in the following manner:—

N^o 1 - Bob, Frank, and Aaron, we allot to Edwin Harris at \$830.00
and the said E. Harris shall pay to N^o 4, herein
after mentioned, the sum of - - - - - 6.25
his amt. making one fourth part of the whole \$843.75

N^o 2 - Aleck, Isham, and Clara, we allot to Peter Edwards
Guardian of Stewart Harris; and to pay it N^o 4 \$6.25

N^o 3 - Sim, Penny and Child Peter, we allot to Joseph J. Claud
Guardian of the heirs of Robert J. Masgrave, and to pay
to N^o 4, \$6.25

N^o 4 - Solomon, Billy and Peter, appraised to \$825.00, and to
receive from N^o 1, 2, & 3, \$6.25 each; we allot to
John A. Persons, Guardian to Mary E. Persons; which three
several sums, added to \$825.00, make an amount equal
to N^o 1, 2, and 3, each.

The above is respectfully submitted

Wm. Jackson
Ruthaniel Francis
Mark J. Peete