

1850-003 SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

BUTTS ^{admr} VS. BRIGGS

11/1850

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Butts

v. } Papers

Briggs

1850 Nov. 13th Dismissed &c.

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Butts

to } Stat. Rules

Briggs

Edwards Butts in his own right and as administrator de bono non
with the will annexed of Peter Butts dec:
against

Bennett S. Briggs

1847 July 15 Subp: & joined returnable to August Rules
" Aug. R. Subp: ret: Not found. Bill filed & new Sp: au?
" Sep. R. Subp: ret: Executed.
" Oct " Answer filed Gen: Rep:
" Dec. " Cause set for hearing

1848 May. T. Court

" Nov " Continued

1849 May. " Continued

1850 May. " Continued

" Nov " Bill dismissed each party paying his own costs.

Butts Bill in
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1847 August Rules

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Virginia, 2nd judicial circuit,

To the honorable Richard H. Baker, judge of the
circuit superior court of law and chancery for the county
of Southampton, in chancery sitting

Thumbly complaining sheweth unto your honor
your orator Edward Butts, who sues as well in his own right
as administrator de bonis non of Peter Booth deceased,
with the will annexed, that as administrator de bonis
non of Peter Booth deceased, at the full term of the
circuit superior court of law and chancery for the county
of Southampton, he recovered, on the law side of the
said court, a judgment against John R. Briggs
and Joseph Briggs administrators of William
Briggs deceased, on a bond executed by him
in his life time to your orator as administrator de bonis
non of the said Peter Booth deceased, ^{for} the sum
of \$12,000 + 00 cents, with legal interest thereon
from the first day of January 1847, and at the
same term of the same court, a judgment in his own
right, on a bond executed to him, by the said William
Briggs prior to his life time, for the sum of \$200
with legal interest thereon from the 7th day of
July 1843, also a judgment in the county court
of Southampton at the term of the said
court on a note not under seal
executed to him in his own right by the said William
Briggs in his life time, for the sum of
with interest from
upon all of which executions of fieri fac. issued
against the goods and chattels which came of
William Briggs deceased in the hands of his
said administrators to be administered, which
have been returned no effects &c, all of which
will more fully appear, by separate copies, of the
said bonds, note, judgments and executions, filed
with and prayed to be taken as a part of this bill.

of our orator understand, and believes, that
the whole estate of the said William Briggs senior
both real and personal will be sufficient to
pay his just debts and funeral expenses, and
that he was at the time of his death and
for many years before actually insolvent.
Of our orator charges that on the 15th day
of October 1844, at a time when he was much
more, than his whole estate was worth, and when
he was actually insolvent, the said William
Briggs senior made a voluntary deed of gift
to his son Bennett S Briggs, for a tract of land
situate lying and being in the county of South-
ampton, containing by estimation 396 acres more
or less, which will more fully clearly appear
by a copy of the said deed of gift filed with
and annexed to be taken as a part of the bill.
Of our orator charges that a voluntary deed of
gift made under such circumstances, was
fraudulent and void as to creditors, and that
he was at the time a creditor to the amounts before
referred to as made manifest by the judgments
before recited and relied upon, and that the grantor
the said William Briggs senior deceased, at that
time was indebted for more than his whole estate
was worth, as will read as follows -

To the end therefore that justice may be
done in the premises, by the honorable court
where matters of this sort are peculiarly cogniza-
ble, your orator prays that the said Ben-
nett S Briggs, may be made defendant hereto
with apt and proper words to charge him, and
that he may be required to answer the premises
fully and unequivocally on oath, and that if he shall
deny that the said William Briggs senior at the

time of the execution of the said voluntary deed
of gift to him, was solvent after the payment of all
his just debts, or that he left sufficient at the time
of his death, to pay the same in discharge of the
trust of land conveyed to him by the voluntary
deed of gift aforesaid, an account may be
taken before a commissioner of this court, to
ascertain the condition of the said estate, both
at the time of the execution of the said deed &
at the time of the death of the said William
Briggs senior, and that your honor upon such
satisfactory proof of the facts herein set forth, may
pronounce a decree, declaring the said deed
null and void and set aside the same so
far as creditors are concerned, and that the tract
of land conveyed thereby shall be sold, and
the proceeds or so much thereof as may be suffi-
cient for the purpose, shall be applied to the
payment of your orator's claims as set forth
in this bill, and grant such other and fur-
ther general relief as may be considered with
equity and the rules of this court, and that
the commonwealth, out of subpoena may
appear concerning &c and your orator
will ever pray

Parker pr.

Butts }
V. } Answer of the
Briggs } defendant

1827 October Rules

To the Hon. Richard H. Baker, Judge of the Circuit
Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County
of Southampton, in Chancery sitting.

The answer of Bennett S. Briggs to a Bill of Complaint
exhibited against him in this honorable Court by
Edmond B. Batts, who dies, as well in his own right as
administrator de bonis non of Peter Booth dec'd with
the will annexed.

This Respondent now and at all times hereafter saving
and reserving to himself all benefit of just exception
to the errors, imperfections, and false statements in the
said Bill, contains the following answers thereto, or as much
thereof as he is advised it is material for him to answer,
Says that he admits that the said William Briggs
dec'd did in his lifetime on the 18th day of October
1844, execute to him a deed conveying to him a
certain tract of land lying in this County, but denies
that the said William Briggs dec'd was insolvent at
that time, or at the time of his death, that his prop-
erty real and personal was amply sufficient at that
time to pay all his just debts, with the inclusion of the
said tract of land, now is yet ascertained so far as
your Respondent understands and believes, that the estate
of the said William Briggs dec'd is insufficient at
this time to pay all his just debts and funeral
expenses, for the whole of the property which the said
William Briggs estate is entitled to, has not yet
been subjected to the payment of his debts, that
the said William Briggs at the time of his death
owned a large tract of land lying in this County
which has not yet been decreed to be sold for the
payment of his debts, that the said William
Briggs was the administrator de bonis non of
John H. Markington dec'd. That the said John H.

Washington made a provision in his will for the support of his sister Peggy Washington. That under the authority of the said provision contained in the last will and testament of the said Washington, the said William Biggs dec^d. obtained in his hands \$4000 for her support. That at the time of his death the sum of \$5406.96 was due to the estate of the said John H. Washington from the said William Biggs. That at the death of Peggy Washington the said sum of \$5406.96 will go to legates named in the will of the said Washington. That the said William Biggs dec^d. some time previous to his death bought more than one half of the shares of the legates entailed to the said sum on the death of Peggy Washington. That this vested interest now belongs to the estate of the said William Biggs dec^d. That it is yet unsold, and your respondent is advised come and ought to be sold for the payment of his debt.

Your Respondent further stated that at the time the said William Biggs dec^d. conveyed to him the said tract of land, and for many years previous to that time, he was indebted to your Respondent in a much larger amount of money than the land was actually worth. That although the said dec^d. purports to be a voluntary deed of gift, yet it was in fact a purchase. That the said William Biggs received an valuable consideration for it. That in the year 1828 the legates under the last will and testament of John Dickerson gave to your Respondent a negro boy named Frank, which came to the possession of the said William Biggs dec^d. That your Respondent was then an infant of twelve years, and that the said William Biggs

without any lawful authority whatever, not having qualified as guardian of your Respondent, sold the said boy Frank in the year 1833 for \$400. All of which was contrary to law, equity and justice. He was also further indebted to your Respondent in the sum of \$250. for services rendered as agent on the farm of the said William Biggs in the years 1842 & 1843 after he had attained the age of twenty one years. Your Respondent is advised that a Court of Equity will not pronounce a decree declaring the said deed null and void, thus made bona fide, and for a valuable consideration. Hence your said Respondent denies all former contentions & compendary, charged in the Bill, without that he and hereby prays to be heard dismissed with his costs in this behalf most strongly sustained —

Cobb for the defendant.

Southampton County to wit,
Benjamin S. Biggs made oath before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County, that the matters contained in the foregoing answer, so far as they are stated to be of his own knowledge, are true, and so far as he has heard them from others and declares his belief of them, he does believe them to be true. Given under my hand this
fifteenth day of Novr 1847
Wm. H. Sumner J.P.

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Briggs

Nov. Term 1850 -

To be entered

To be entered

R. H. Baker

Nov. 10. 1850

1850 November Term

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This day this cause came on to be heard on the bill & exhibits filed, answers of the defendants, replications thereto and examinations of witnesses, and was argued by counsel on consideration whereof the court doth adjudge, order & decree that the plain bill be dismissed and that each party pay his own costs expended in this suit.

Sheriffs Return: There are no goods and chattels
in my Bailwick out of which this execution or
any part thereof can be made

J. D. Mapinkhorn Dep
for W. Baring Esq

A Copy taken by S. R. Edwards

W. Baring
J. D. Mapinkhorn
W. Baring admors

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

To the Sheriff of Southampton County—GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That of the goods and chattels ~~of~~ which were of William Briggs or ~~and~~ at the time of his death in the hands of John R. Briggs & Joseph Briggs his administrators to be administered in your bailiwick, you cause to be made the sum of Two hundred Dollars with legal interest thereon from the 17th day of July 1843 all paid which Edwards Butts

lately in our Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Southampton County, has recovered against the said John R. Briggs & Joseph Briggs ~~as aforesaid~~ for debt; also Seven dollars and eight cents, which to the said Butts in the same Court, were adjudged for his costs by him about his suit in that behalf expended: whereof the said ~~amount~~ are convict as appears to us of record. And how you shall have executed this Writ, make known at the Clerk's Office of our said Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery, at the Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the first Monday in February next. And have then there this Writ. WITNESS, LITTLETON R. EDWARDS, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this 27th day of November 1844 in the 71st year of the Commonwealth.

L. R. Edwards ES

Ships Return, There was no goods and chattels in
my bailiwick out of which the within execution
or any part thereof can be made

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

To the Sheriff of Southampton County—GREETING :

WE COMMAND YOU, That of the goods and chattels *of which were of*
William Briggs as decd at the time of his death in the hands
of John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs his administrators to be
administered
late in your bailiwick, you cause to be made the sum of *twelve hundred and*
ninety one dollars forty three cents with legal interest thereon
from the 1st day of January 1844 till paid which Edwards
Bullo adm^r de bene non of Peter Booth decd
lately in our Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Southampton County,
has recovered against the said *John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs adm^r as aforesaid*
for debt; also *seven* dollars and *eighteen* cents,
which to the said *Bullo adm^r as aforesaid* in the
same Court, were adjudged for *his* costs by *him* about *his* suit in that behalf
expended: whereof the said *John R & Joseph Briggs adm^r as aforesaid and*
convict as appears to us of record. And how you shall have executed this Writ;
make known at the Clerk's Office of our said Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chan-
cery, at the Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the first Monday in *February*
next. And have then there this Writ. WITNESS, LITTLETON R. EDWARDS,
Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this *27th* day of *March*
1846, in the *71st* year of the Commonwealth.

L R Edwards Clk

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Briggs

1847 August Rules

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

To the Sheriff of Southampton County, Greeting:

We command you that you summon

Abraham *Benard Briggs*

to appear at the Clerk's Office of our Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County of Southampton, at the Rules to be holden for the said Court on the first Monday in

August next, to answer a Bill in Chancery exhibited against *him* in the said Court by *Edwards de Butts* who does as well in his own right as administrator de bonis non of *Peter Butts* deceased.

And unless *he* shall answer the said Bill within ^{*two*} ~~four~~ months thereafter, the Court will take the same for confessed, and decree accordingly. And this *he* shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And have then there this writ. Witness, LITTLETON R. EDWARDS, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-house, the *15* day of

July 1847, in the *72^d* year of the Commonwealth.

L.R. Edwards

[One Copy to be delivered each Defendant.]

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1847 September Rules

Entered

William A Bell Deputy of
Jacob Dennis Sheriff

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

To the Sheriff of Southampton County, Greeting:

We command you that you summon

Bennett Briggs

to appear at the Clerk's Office of our Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County of Southampton, at the Rules to be holden for the said Court on the first Monday in September - next, to answer a Bill in Chancery exhibited against him in the said Court by

Edwards Banks who does as well in his own right as administrator de bonis non of Peter Booth deceased with the will annexed

And unless he shall answer the said Bill within ~~four~~^{two} months thereafter, the Court will take the same for confessed, and decree accordingly. And this he shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And have then there this writ. Witness, LITTLETON R. EDWARDS, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-house, the 2^d day of

August

1847, in the

72^d

year of the Commonwealth.

L R Edwards Clk

[One Copy to be delivered each Defendant.]

Southampton County, Va.

Personally appeared before me a justice of the peace for the
County aforesaid Calvert O Jones Deputy of J. Carden Shff, who made oath
that he delivered to Edward Butts a true copy of this notice on
this 6th day of April 1848 Given under my hand this
6th day April 1848

Saml Cobb J.P.

Briggs
vs S. Notice
Butts

Mr Edwards Butts.

Sir: Take notice, that on the thirteenth day of April next, between the hours of nine in the forenoon, and six in the afternoon of that day, at my residence in the County of Southampton, I shall proceed to take the depositions of Joseph Briggs and perhaps others, to be used as evidence for me, in a Suit now pending in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for the County of Southampton, wherein you, who sue as well in your own right, as administrator de bonis non of Peter Booth dec^d, are plaintiff and I am defendant, and if from any cause the taking of the depositions shall not be commenced, or being commenced, shall not be completed on that day, the taking of the same will be adjourned from time to time until the said depositions shall be completed. Given under my hand this the 4th day of April 1848.

Bennet S. Briggs

Sampson County to wit. This day personally
appeared before me James Gullet and
made oath that he delivered to Bennett
S. Briggs a true copy of the within
notice on the 4th day of this present
month April. Given under my hand
this 15th day of April 1850.

Wm. A. Gullet

Notary

Mr. Bernette S. Briggs Take Notice that I shall on Monday
the 15th day of April next, at the Office of John R. Chambliss
in the Town of Jerusalem in the County of Southampton,
Between the hours of nine o'clock A.M. and five
o'clock P.M. proceed to take the deposition of
Henry P. Briggs and others, to be read in evidence
in a certain matter of Controversy now depending
and undetermined in the Circuit Superior Court of
Law and Chancery for the County of Southampton,
wherein I am plaintiff, and you defendants. whom
and whom you may attend if you think proper—

E. Butts
March 19/1850

To the Clerk of The Circuit Superior
Court of Law and Chancery for The
County of Southampton -

Bound to Record Booked April
14. 1848. J.M.D.

Books
Disposition
Charges

The deposition of Joseph Briggs, of full age,
taken on the day and between the hours, and at
the place mentioned in the notice hereto annexed,
that is to say, at the residence of Bennett S. Briggs
in the County of Southampton, on the 13th day
of April 1848 between the hours of nine in the
forenoon and six in the afternoon, to be used
as evidence in a suit now depending in the
Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery
for the County of Southampton, in the State of
Virginia, on behalf of Bennett S. Briggs, wherein
Edmunds Bulls who acts as well in his own
right as administrator de bonis non of Peter
Booth dec^d is plaintiff and the said Bennett
S. Briggs defendant.

Joseph Briggs being first duly sworn, deposes
and swears as follows -

Question by defendant. Did not Bennett S. Briggs own
a negro boy by the name of Frank, who formerly
belonged to the estate of Mrs. Nicholson ~~dec^d~~.

Ans. yes.

Question by defendant. Did this negro come in the possession
of Capt William Briggs.

Ans. Yes he did - in 1829, or 1830.

Question by defendant. Was this negro sold by Capt
Briggs, and what time - and at what price.

Ans. He was sold by William Briggs, about the year
1832 and for the sum of four hundred dollars.

Question by defendant. What was the age of Bennett
S. Briggs at the time the negro was sold?

Ans. About Thirteen.

Question by defendant. Did Capt W. Briggs ever
qualify as the guardian of Bennett S. Briggs.

Ans. He ^{did} not so far as I know or believe.

Question by defendant. Did not William Briggs de-
bary out the interest of several of the legates

entitled to the estate of Mrs. A. Washington de^d
after the death of Peggy Washington.

Ans. A did - And further this deposition - ^{Joseph Briggs} day 11th 1848
Which deposition being sworn to And and subscribed

to on the day and year first above written, ~~that~~

I hereby certify the same to the Circuit Superior

Court of Law and Chancery for the County

of Southampton - Given under my hand

and seal this the 13th day of April 1848

Jos. Cobb J.P. Seal

Bulls

v } Deposition

Briggs

Handled in by Wm H. Anderson
21st Apr. 1850

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The deposition of Mr. Cobb, Henry Briggs &
taken at the Office of John R. Chambliss in the
town of Saco, Maine in the County of South-
ampton, between the hours of nine A M &
five P M on the 15th day of April 1850 to
be read as evidence in a suit now pend-
ing in the Circuit Superior Court of law &
chancery for the County of Southampton
between Edwards Bates Plaintiff and
Benjamin S Briggs Defendant, on behalf
of the Plaintiff

Henry Briggs being first duly sworn de-
position & sworn

Question of Plff. - State what you know
of the mode by which the Deft acquired a
tract of land conveyed to him by Wm Briggs
some years before his death, and what you
have heard the Deft state in reference to its
being a gift to him from his father

When we were procuring John Cobb asked
Deft. how they should put down the conveyance, he
replied between the land he bought of his
father & the land he bought of the boys

Question of same: Do you know that Wm
Briggs gave Benjamin Briggs a negro prop-
erty to his death and if so what was the
consideration of that gift

I know nothing about it.

Question of same: Did Wm Briggs expend con-
siderable sums in the support and ed-
ucation of Benjamin Briggs

He went to school several years about
the date of 1832-'3 or '4' he doesn't know who paid
for it

Question by same: Was Bennett & Briggs in his minority at that time and I expect he was.

Question by same: Do you not know that the negro man Ned was in possession of Bennett & Briggs ever for many years in possession of Wm Briggs and is now in the possession of Bennett & Briggs and I know that he was & that he is now in the possession of Bennett & Briggs.

I know that he belonged to Wm Briggs at one time several years before his death.

The same negro was afterwards delivered to Bennett & Briggs before the death of Wm Briggs.

Question by defendant. State at what time you knew Wm Briggs to be in possession of the negro man Ned?

Ans I do not recollect the particular time but know it was several years before his death.

Question by defendant. Did not Bennett & Briggs object to the line being chopped, between the land that he said he bought from his father and the land that he bought of the boys?

Ans He said, he said he did not think it was worth while.

Inter by the plaintiff

How far do you live from Bennett & Briggs formerly the residence of Capl Wm Briggs

Ans About three & 1/2 miles

Inter by same - Do you believe from the situation of Bennett & Briggs at the time he lived with his father that he was able to purchase a negro fellow?

Ans I do not know, he taught school a part of two years

and further This deponent saith not -

H. Briggs

And Cobb being next duly sworn deposes and saith

Question by Plff: State what you know of the way in which B. S. Briggs acquired title to a tract of land conveyed to him by his father Wm Briggs, what you have heard the Deft say in reference to the same, what you know of a negro man Ned formerly in the possession of Wm Briggs and now in possession of B. S. Briggs, and what you know of the amounts expended by Wm Briggs in support & education of B. S. Briggs the Deft answers. Sometime during the month of March I procured the land of B. S. Briggs - and the question was asked how we should enter the corners between the land recently purchased by B. S. Briggs - and the land deeded to him by his father - he answered that we should enter it between the land he owned or bought of his father, and the land he recently purchased under a decree of the court - I further know that Capt. W. Briggs had in possession a negro by the name of Ned, with a stiff bow, now in the possession of B. S. Briggs - but whether the said negro was owned by said W. Briggs I know not - he suffered him to & thing as I went to school with B. S. Briggs, and he went to school sometime after - but ^{why} paid his expenses the deponent saith not - I should not think he was then twenty one years of age - I do not think he made any objection to procuring the land in dispute, but unasked he did not think worth while - I live about six miles from B. S. Briggs I know nothing about B. S. Briggs situation at that time, whether he was able to buy a negro or not -

And Cobb's evidence continued -

Bennet - S. Briggs taught school some years prior to Wm Briggs death, and afterwards superintended his father's business until his death and further this deponent saith not -

John Cobb

The above depositions were taken sworn to and subscribed at the time & place mentioned in the captions before me a justice of the peace for the County of Southampton

Wm. H. Nicholson

Briggs
1/6 } Ord

Briggs
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A Copy

This Indenture Made this 15 day of October in the
year of our Lord Eighteen hundred forty four between
William Briggs son of the one part Bennett P Briggs
of the other part Witnesseth that the said William
Briggs for and in consideration of the Natural love
& affection which he bears to the said Bennett P Briggs
as well as for the further consideration of the sum of
one dollar to him in hand paid by the said Bennett P
Briggs the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged
have given and granted by these presents do give grant
unto the said Bennett P Briggs his heirs or assigns forever
one certain tract or parcel of Land & bounded as follows
on the east by the Main Road beginning in A Uguhart
line near the said post thence by said Road to the
deep branch at the bridge thence on the North by said deep
branch to the mouth or near the mouth of the spring or
second main branch thence west by said branch to the
spring in head of said branch thence due west twenty
pole thence due South thirty nine pole thence due east
twenty pole to a corner white oak thence due South &
New line of Marked trees to the line of the estate of
Francis English thence said line to the intersection of
said line with the line with of A Uguhart thence by
the said line on the South to the intersection on the Road
at the beginning containing by estimation three hundred
and thirty six acres be the same more or less with all
houses woods water courses & appurtenances therunto belonging
or in any way appertaining the divisions or portions now
apportioned thereof To have & to hold the said tract of land
with the tenements hereditaments and all and singular
hereditaments mentioned or intended to be ~~legally~~ acquired
& every part & parcel thereof unto the said Bennett P
Briggs his heirs and assigns forever And the said William
Briggs for himself & heirs the said land with all and
singular the premises & appurtenances before mentioned unto

the said Bennett S Briggs his heirs & assigns free from
the claim of himself or his heirs & of all every other person
or persons whatsoever shall will & do warrant forever defend
by their persons In Witness whereof the said William
Briggs have hereunto set his hand & seal the day &
year first above written

William V Briggs ^{signed}
Southampton County in the Clerk's Office the 4th day of
November 1844 This Deed of Gift from William
Briggs to Bennett S Briggs was acknowledged by
said Wm Briggs and admitted to Record
Jas. J. R. Edwards C.

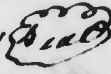
A Copy Jas. J. R. Edwards C.

Driggs

Driggs

Exhibits with
Bill

On demand we William Briggs Sen. & W^m H. Nicholson do promise
to pay, or cause to be paid unto Edwards Butts his heirs or assigns the
just and full sum of Two hundred dollars for value received.
Given under our hands & seals this 17th day of July eighteen hundred
& forty three.

William Briggs Sen. 
W^m H. Nicholson 

Southampton Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery. - November
the 13th 1846.
Edwards Butts

Deft } In Debt.

against
John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs administrators William Briggs Sr. dec. Dfts.

The judgment obtained at the Rules not having been set aside and
the plaintiff now being entitled to a final judgment it is considered by
that the plaintiff recover against the Defendants two hundred dollars
with interest thereon from the 17th day of July 1843 till paid the
debt and interest in the declaration mentioned and his costs by him about
his suit in this behalf expended: To be levied of the goods and chattels of
the decedent in the hands of the defendant to be administered. And
the said Defendants in Mersey &c.
Plaintiffs Costs \$7. 18.

The Commonwealth of Virginia. To the Sheriff of Southampton
County. Greeting. We command you that of the goods and chattels which
were of William Briggs Sr. dec. at the time of his death in the hands of
John R Briggs and Joseph Briggs his administrators to be administered
late in your bailiwick you cause to be made the sum of two hundred
dollars with legal interest thereon from the 17th day of July 1843 till
paid which Edwards Butts lately in our Circuit Superior Court of
Law and Chancery for Southampton County hath recovered against
the said John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs administrators as aforesaid for debt
also seven dollars and eighteen cents which to the said Butts in the
same Court were adjudged for his costs by him about his suit in this behalf
expended whereof the said administrators are convicted as appears to us of Record
And now you shall have executed this writ make known at the.

Clarks Office of our said Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery
at the Rules to be holden for said Court on the first Monday in February
next. And have then there this writ Witness Littleton R Edwards
Clerk of our said Court at the Courthouse this 27th day of November
1846 in the 71st year of the Commonwealth

L R Edwards CD

Return - "There are no goods and chattels in my hands out
of which this execution can be made or any part thereof can be made
J. D. Wappling Dep for
J. Barnes Sheriff"

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Teste. L R Edwards CD

\$26.12.

With interest from the 10th day of July one thousand eight
hundred and forty three I promise to pay Edwards Butts his heirs or
assigns the sum of twenty six dollars and twelve cents for value
received. For the payment whereof I bind myself and my heirs. Witness
my hand and seal this 10th day of July one thousand eight hundred
and forty three -

William Briggs Sen (Seal)

Rec^d Apr. 15/1844 Rec^d of William Briggs five dollars & fifty cents.
for private plaintiffs

Nov. 17/1844 Rec^d of William Briggs three dollars and 24/100

E Butts

Southampton County Court - June 21st 1846.

Edwards Butts

Plff } In Debt

against

John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs administrators of William Briggs dec^d Dfts.

The Judgment obtained in the Office not having been set aside and the
Plaintiff being now entitled to a final judgment it is therefore considered
that the plaintiff recover against the defendants twenty six dollars and
twelve cents with legal interest thereon from the 10th day of July 1843 till
payment and his costs by him about his suit in this behalf expended. To be
levied of the goods and chattels of the decedent in the hands of the defend
ants to be administered. And the said defendants in Mersey &c.

This judgment is to be credited for \$5.50 cents paid April 15/1844 and for
\$3.24 cents paid November 17. 1844.

Plaintiffs Costs \$7.78-

The Commonwealth of Virginia To the Sheriff of Southampton County
Greeting - We command you that of the goods and chattels in your hands
which were of William Briggs dec^d at the time of his death in
the hands of John R Briggs and Joseph Briggs administrators of his
personal estate to be administered you cause to be made the sum of
twenty six dollars and twelve cents with legal interest thereon from the
10th day of July 1843 till paid which Edwards Butts lately in our
County Court of Southampton hath recovered against the said John R
Briggs & Joseph Briggs as more as aforesaid for debt also the sum of
seven dollars and seventy eight cents which to the said Butts in the

Some Court were adjudged for his costs by him as that had expended
whereof the said admor. are convicted as appears to us of record. and that
you have the said sums of money before the Justice of our said Court
at the Courthouse on the first day of August Term next to render to the
said Wills of the debt and costs aforesaid. And have them there this
write Witness Littleton R Edwards Clerk of our said Court at the
Courthouse this 14th day of July 1846 in the 7th year of the Comm-
wealth.

L R Edwards cc

This execution is to be credited for \$5.50 paid April 15. 1846 for \$3.24
paid Nov. 17. 1844.

L R Edwards cc

Return. "There are no goods and chattels in my bailiwick out of
which the within execution or any part thereof can be made.

J W Massey Dep. of
Jacob Barnes Siff."

Copies. Teste. L R Edwards cc

\$1291.43.

With interest from the first day of January one thousand
eight hundred and forty two we promise to pay Edwards Wills -
adm. de bonis non of Peter Booth dec. his heirs or assigns the sum of
twelve hundred and ninety one dollars and forty three cents for
value received. For the payment whereof we bind ourselves and our
heirs - Witness our hands and seals this 6th day of April one
thousand eight hundred and forty two.

William Briggs dec. Seal

Benj. Devany Seal

Southampton Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery. November
15. 1846.

Edwards Wills adm. de bonis non of Peter Booth dec. Plff } In Debt.
a gainst.

John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs admors of William Briggs dec. Defts
The judgment obtained at the Rules not having been set aside and
the plaintiff now being entitled to a final judgment it is therefore
considered that the plaintiff recover against the defendants twelve
hundred and ninety one dollars and forty three cents with interest
thereon from the 1st day of January 1842 till payment and his
costs by him about his suit in this behalf expended. To be levied of the
goods and chattels of the decedant in the hands of the defendants to be
administered. And the said defendants in Mersey &c
Defts Costs \$7.18.

The Commonwealth of Virginia To the Sheriff of Southampton
County. Greeting. We command you that of the goods and chattels
which were of William Briggs dec. at the time of his death in the
hands of John R Briggs and Joseph Briggs his administrators to
be administered take in your bailiwick you cause to be made the
sum of twelve hundred and ninety one dollars forty three cents
with legal interest thereon from 1st day of January 1842 till paid
which Edwards Wills admor. de bonis non of Peter Booth dec.
lately in our Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Southamp-
ton County hath recovered against John R Briggs & Joseph Briggs
admors as aforesaid for debt. Also seven dollars and eight cents for

~~Costs by him about his suit~~ which to the said Butts adm^r J^r is afore-
said were adjudged for his costs by him about his suit in that behalf
expended. whereof the said John R Briggs and Joseph Briggs adm^r as
aforesaid are convict as appears to us of Record and how you shall
have executed this writ make known at the Clerks Office of our said
Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery at the Rules to be holden for
the said Court on the first Monday in February next and have show
there this writ. Witness Littleton R Edwards Clerk of our said Court
at the Courthouse this 27th day of November 1846 in the 7th year
of the Commonwealth -

L R Edwards cc

Return. "There are no goods and chattels in my bailiwick out of
which the within execution or any part thereof can be made -

J D Masfurlong Dep. C-
J Barnes Shff.

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Teste.

L R Edwards cc

Account Sales of
William Briggs estate

Bulls

& }

Briggs

Filed by pliff. Sep. 21. 1848.

\$2. clks for

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An Account of Sales of the property of William Briggs dec. made
the 10th day of Decr. 1825 by Joseph & John R Briggs Adms.

No		To		£
	Iron, axe &c	"	J Briggs	25
	Mill Picks, axes &c	"	D. W. Kitchum	65
2	Pa Yokes	"	J Briggs	13
	Set of Old gig irons	"	W D Morris	12
	D ^o of iron	"	ditto	26
	D ^o Coulters	"	John E Nicholson	15
	D ^o Plough hoes	"	D. W. Kitchum	25
	D ^o D ^o N ^o 2.	"	W. C. Pace	80
	D ^o D ^o N ^o 1	"	D. W. Kitchum	20
	Marl Shovel & Manure fork	"	B. S. Briggs	1 00
1	Iron plough & 3 hoes	"	ditto	2 25
2	Clarksville plough N ^o 1	"	J Briggs	2 00
2	D ^o D ^o N ^o 2	"	E. G. Scott	3 35
2	D ^o D ^o N ^o 3.	"	B. S. Briggs	5 05
2	D ^o D ^o N ^o 4.	"	W. D. Morris	25
4	D ^o D ^o N ^o 5.	"	H. Willons	04
8	Wading hoes	"	Wm Briggs	25
	Set Milling hoes	"	ditto	25
3	Grubbing D ^o & Grasp blade	"	D. W. Kitchum	13
2	D ^o D ^o & Axe	"	J Briggs	25
3	Grubbing D ^o	"	Wm Briggs	35
2	pr. Iron Wledges	"	ditto	1 15
1	Set Augers	"	ditto	25
	Coopers Adz. draw knifs	"	John R Briggs	10
	Hatchet & chisel	"	B. S. Briggs	1 00
	Saw & Draw knifs	"	Wm Briggs	40
2	Axes N ^o 1	"	E. G. Scott	1 25
3	D ^o N ^o 2	"	W. C. Pace	1 31
3	Raw hides	"	B. S. Briggs	1 20
1	Set planes	"	E. G. Scott	75
2	pr. Planes & traces	"	Wm Briggs	1 00
2	D ^o D ^o	"	J. J. Holmes	38
Amount carried over				26 76

Amount Brought forward

3 Diving trees & trunks	To John R Briggs	26 76
1 Straw cutter	" M. J. Summers	1 50
1 Harrow	" H. M. West	25
Got Diving trees	" W. S. Nicholson	70
3 D.	" D. H.	25
Got Hames	" D. H.	25
2 Ox Chains	" D. H.	13
Got Axes plough frames & No. 8	" E. G. Scott	1 85
D. D. D. No. 9	" D. H.	12
D. D. D. No. 10	" D. H.	06
1 Bull tongue plough	" D. H.	05
1 D. D. No. 1	" W. Briggs	25
1 D. D. No. 2	" John R Briggs	75
1 Cross cut saw	" J. S. Patton	1 25
Got Lumber	" B. S. Briggs	12
1 Fan Mill	" John James	6 95
5 Large Stands	" B. S. Briggs	1 40
1 Corn Sheller	" E. G. Scott	3 55
1 Sown	" B. S. Briggs	50
1 Grind Stone	" E. G. Scott	2 50
15 Brandy Bbls	" John E. Nicholson	8 05
Got Lot Brandy Bbls	" B. S. Briggs	1 25
1 basket & B. Wool &c	" John R Briggs	2 05
1 Stand Bed Cord &c	" W. Briggs	17
Got Salt Sulphur	" B. S. Briggs	15
1 Bbl. flour No. 1	" D. H.	5 30
1 D. D. No. 2	" S. A. Drury	5 75
1 D. D. No. 3	" W. J. Librell	5 95
Got Glass & Stamps	" B. S. Briggs	1 30
1 D.	" E. G. Scott	45
Got Soap	" J. Parsons	1 70
1 Demi Chest	" B. S. Briggs	40
1 Safe. Scales &c	" E. G. Scott	07
1 Large Chest	" D. H.	1 00

Amount carried forward

\$ 83 18

Account Continued.

Amount Brought forward

1 Large Stone pitcher & 2 jugs	To Peter J Holmes	83 18
2 Small Jugs	" B. S. Briggs	95
3 Oil jugs	" Joseph Briggs	25
3 Jugs still pitcher	" B. S. Briggs	25
2 D.	" Joseph S Briggs	12
Got Jars	" B. S. Briggs	20
1 Jar	" B. S. Briggs	55
3 do.	" Samuel Branch	20
2 Keys No. 1	" J. Briggs	50
2 do No. 2	" D. H.	25
6 Flat Keys	" D. H.	20
4 Keys	" B. S. Briggs	30
1 Stand of flour	" D. H.	08
1 Key land	" W. C. Pace	2 70
1 Lot Bottles	" H. H. Pond	6 55
5 1/2 Bushel white peas	" John R Briggs	30
20 do do peas	" Joseph Parsons	46 36
1 Pipe of Vinegar	" W. C. Pace	8 40
1 Bbl. do	" J. Parsons	2 25
1 Cask. Gun &c	" B. S. Briggs	2 50
1 Lot Rope	" D. H.	10
4 1/2 Bushel wheat @ 115¢	" A. W. Hart	30
1 Lot Cotton Seed	" W. A. Remington	4 88
1 pr. Steel yards	" W. C. Pace	2 10
1 Cotton gin & band	" B. S. Briggs	38
1 D. D. Still plates	" D. H.	2 25
3 Bales Cotton	" J. Parsons	4 10
1 Lot Bbl. timber	" Edwin Womble	60 75
12 60 Gallon Casks	" J. Briggs	5 00
10 do do	" A. A. Drury	1 80
Got Bbl. in barrel	" A. A. Drury	1 95
Got Truss Strops	" B. S. Briggs	15
1 Apple mill & wheel	" J. Briggs	25
3. Purses	" E. G. Scott	6 05
	" B. S. Briggs	05

Am. forwarded

\$ 236 17

Account Continued

Amount Brought forward		To		256	17
1 Bayonet			13. S Briggs		25
2 do			E. G. Smith		75
1 1/2 Bl. Still Knife worn			B. S Briggs	6	10
1 2 Bl. Still Knife W D.			C. F. Weyhant	40	50
20 Guss			B. S Briggs	1	15
6 Wink Strands			Wm Briggs	1	25
1 Joiner Compasses			John R Briggs		25
2 pots 4 pr. Hooks			S Briggs	1	00
2 Small do & Sticks			B. S Briggs		25
Oven Spider & D. Star			A. A. Drury		80
Grid iron & yellow fleeces			A. J. Brindle		26
2 pots Brynig pan			A. A. Drury	2	50
2 pots Oven & Sticks			Penock Branch	1	20
Mechanic for the sick			John R Briggs		80
* 2 Trays 1 Silver			B. S Briggs		50
1 D. D.			P. J. Holmes		13
2 Maske tubs			B. S Briggs		10
* 1 Lot Iron Knives			H. C. Lund	3	35
1 Ox Waggon & wheels			Robert A Chappell	11	00
1 Cart & wheels			B. S Briggs		95
1 Bell Cow & spied do			ditto	5	00
5 Calves			D. W. Kitchin	7	05
1 Yoke of Oxen			Wm Briggs	23	25
1 Red cow spied Steifer			D. W. Kitchin	7	75
1 Spade Cow red haifer & calf.			Joseph Briggs	6	00
2 Red cows & calf.			H. C. Lund	12	25
1 Pale Steif: 1 Blk. Mot. Cow.			D. D.	10	75
1 Steifer			D. W. Kitchin	3	00
1 Large Bull			H. C. Lund	11	00
10. 1. Choice Sheep			ditto	5	50
10. 2. D. D.			ditto	5	50
10. 3. do do.			ditto	5	00
* Bell Metal Rattle			John W White	4	00
2 Spinning wheels & 2 pr. Cards			B. S Briggs		50
1 D. D.			P. J. Holmes		13
Amt. Carried forward				435	81

Account continued

Amount Brought forward		To		135 87
10. 4 th choice sheep		"	H. C. Smith	3 75
9. sheep	250¢ each	"	Freeman R. Sheffield	1 50
8. St. Bucks		"	E. J. Scott	4 40
Buggy harness & whip		"	W. S. Briggs	36 50
1 Road Wagon		"	J. W. Abbott	35 00
1 Carriage Harness		"	John R. Briggs	25 00
1 Sorrell mare Rose		"	John E. Nicholson	12 50
1 Bay mare Bounced		"	W. S. Briggs	10 00
1 D. D. Pitt		"	G. W. Nelson	30 13
1 " Filly		"	S. E. Atkinson	9 75
1 Mule Rattler		"	A. A. Drury	59 00
1 D. Tony		"	James H. Harrison	61 00
1 D. Rhodes		"	J. B. Urquhart	65 00
1 D. Jun. Kerow.		"	Peter J. Holmes	54 50
10. Fat hogs No. 1.		"	Edwin W. Mable	62 00
10 D. No. 2.		"	Ditto	45 00
10 D. No. 3.		"	Ditto	44 00
10 D. No. 4.		"	Ditto	44 00
10 D. No. 5.		"	Ditto	67 00
10 D. No. 6.		"	Ditto	53 00
10 D. No. 7.		"	Ditto	31 00
8 D. No. 8.		"	Ditto	50 00
1 Small spotted sow & 7 pigs.		"	E. W. Ellis	7 00
1 Large do. do 7 do.		"	G. W. Ellis	7 50
1 White sow & 5 pigs		"	Ditto	6 75
1 D. D. & 6 do.		"	W. J. Sebrill	7 00
1 Blue do.		"	H. C. Sand	6 25
1 Black do.		"	H. H. Pond	4 50
1 Bay colt 2 yrs. old		"	W. S. Briggs	7 75
1 Shute fodder No. 1		"	John J. Hines	1 38
1 D. D. No. 2.		"	F. J. Scott	2 00
1 D. D. No. 3.		"	J. H. Harrison	1 30
1 D. D. 4.		"	F. J. Scott	1 35
1 D. D. 5.		"	J. H. Harrison	1 40
1 D. D. 6.		"	F. J. Mahoney	1 35
Amount Carried forward				1295 87

Account Continued

Amount Brought forward

1 Stack fodder	No 7
1 D. D.	No 8
1 D. D.	No 9
1 D. D.	No 10
1 D. D.	No 11
1 D. D.	No 12
1 D. D.	No 13
4 D. D.	No 14
1 D. D.	No 15
1 D. D.	No 16
4 D. D.	No 17
1 D. D.	No 18
4 D. D.	No 19
1 D. D.	No 20
1 D. D.	No 21
1 D. D.	No 22
1 D. D.	No 23
1 D. D.	No 24

2 Stacks oats	
20 Bbls corn	\$2.77
20 do do	2.86
20 do do	2.79
20 do do	2.76
20 do do	2.75
20 do do	2.76
12 1/2 do do	2.79

Residue	2.76
Lot Shattered corn of Bbls.	\$1.00
1 Small pine table	
1 Side board	
1 Large Looking glass	
1 Bureau	
1 Curtain bed & furniture	
1 Travel Bed	

Amount Carried forward

To		1295	87
	J. J. Mahone	1	61
	do	1	45
	ditto	1	80
	J. J. Scott	1	50
	J. H. Harrison	1	40
	J. J. Mahone	1	55
	J. J. Scott	1	40
	H. C. Sand		63
	ditto	1	65
	James H. Harrison	1	30
	J. J. Scott	1	30
	ditto	1	40
	J. H. Harrison	1	90
	ditto	2	25
	J. H. Harrison	2	30
	ditto	3	00
	J. J. Scott	1	30
	J. H. Harrison	3	00
	B. S. Briggs	11	30
	H. W. West	55	40
	ditto	57	20
	William Briggs	55	80
	ditto	55	20
	ditto	55	00
	ditto	53	20
	ditto \$34.87 1/2	34	87 1/2
	ditto		
	B. S. Briggs		
	W. Briggs		19
	Francis Williams	2	25
	W. Briggs	2	25
	John J. Wood	4	95
	John E. Nicholas	16	75
	Robt. A. Chappell	6	25

Account Sales continued

Amount Brought forward

Desk & Book case	
Doz. Windsor chairs	
1 Small bench table	
1 pr. And irons	
1 Set pictures & frames	
4 Windsor curtains	
Set Pew Feathers	
5 Vols. Bunsens Community	
Words Dictionary &c	
3 Vols. Watsons Institutes	
6 Vols. Wesleys Sermons	
Set books	
D. D.	
D. D.	
Methodist Magazine	
3 Vols. Arburys Journal	
Bunsens Sermons & Life of Wesley	
5 Vols. Clarkes Sermons	
Corbets letters	
Wesleys Notes on W. Testament	
Set of old books	
Hennings Justice	
Revised Code &c	
1 Gun	
1 Bed & furniture	No 1.
1 do do	No 2
1 do do	No 3
Criddle	
Looking glass & draw.	
Small table	
1 pr. And Irons	
Wash Stand bowl & Patches	
1 pr. Widow curtains	
1 Large Trunk	

To		12	10
	Josiah Manry		
	John W. White	8	05
	B. S. Briggs		45
	ditto		95
	Benj. Devany		25
	J. R. Briggs	1	05
	H. C. Sand		70
	W. J. Sebrill	7	25
	B. S. Briggs		25
	John R. Briggs		75
	John Ralls		40
	P. J. Holmes		35
	William Briggs	1	15
	John A. Hill		66
	P. J. Holmes	3	05
	ditto		55
	J. R. Briggs		75
	William Briggs	1	10
	P. J. Holmes		14
	J. R. Briggs		20
	J. R. Briggs		13
	J. R. Briggs	2	25
	W. B. Shands	5	75
	E. L. Briggs	5	30
	John W. White	16	25
	ditto	20	25
	E. L. Briggs	14	00
	B. S. Briggs		06
	ditto		43
	ditto		10
	ditto		35
	ditto		65
	ditto		38
	J. R. Sebrill		50

Account of Sales Continued

Amount Brought forward	To		
1 Buffet	"	B. S. Briggs	4 15
1 pr. Andirons	"	ditto	50
1 " Tongues & Shovel	"	ditto	25
1 Mash stand bowl & pitcher	"	ditto	50
1 pr. Window Curtains	"	ditto	15
1 Chest & 2 trunks	"	Widow	25
1 Bureau	"	ditto	25
1 Bed	N ^o 5	ditto	1 10
1 Bed Furniture	N ^o 6	John A. Bottom	15 00
1 do do	N ^o 7	John S. Haies	11 30
1 Small table & glass	"	B. S. Briggs	2 30
11 Silver table spoons	"	Joseph Briggs	15 00
2 Pewter Basins	"	John R. Briggs	1 00
3 Bowls & 2 spreading dishes	"	B. S. Briggs	25
6 deep plates & Milk pot	"	ditto	57
2 Salt stands	"	ditto	13
1 Set castors	"	ditto	55
2 Butter stands	"	J. R. Briggs	37
4 China plates	"	W. Briggs	25
8 Breakfast plates	"	B. S. Briggs	20
6 Dining plates	"	R. A. Chappell	38
1 Dish & Tureen	"	W. Briggs	50
2 Pewter spoons	"	J. R. Briggs	06
12 Dining plates	"	B. S. Briggs	35
12 do do	"	W. C. Price	1 00
12 do do	"	W. D. Stodd	1 10
1 Mahogany table	"	J. W. White	9 75
2 Copper dishes	"	J. Parsons	95
Butter pot & pickle leaves	"	J. C. Williams	13
2 Blue dishes	"	B. S. Briggs	13
1 Large Bowl	"	J. Parsons	06
Tureen & tea pot	"	B. S. Briggs	15
1 Light blue dishes	"	ditto	25
3 Blue dishes	"	Manfield Haies	55
7 Cups & 5 Saucers	"	B. B. Travis	13

Account of Sales Continued

Amount Brought forward	To		
1 Bed Furniture N ^o 4	"	B. S. Briggs	11 15
1 Looking glass	"	ditto	1 30
1 London Clock	"	J. Parsons	8 50
Clock Straps	"	ditto	06
9 Chairs in Chamber	"	ditto	50
2 Coffee pots	"	ditto	25
Old castors tea pot & p.	"	ditto	05
1 Salted Bowl & 8 Castor cups.	"	J. R. Prutton	20
1 Walnut Table	"	B. S. Briggs	50
2 Large Blue edge dishes	"	C. F. St. Drury	13
2 Waiters	"	B. S. Briggs	15
1 Large do	"	W. D. Stodd	25
1 White Tureen & 2 dishes.	"	John R. Briggs	06
1 Pine Table	"	B. S. Briggs	10
1 Box. Windsor chairs	"	ditto	2 00
1 pr. Andirons & Trunk	"	ditto	10
1 Iron Kettle	"	Allen Stephenson	41
1 Brass Mortar	"	B. S. Briggs	13
1 Large iron Mortar	"	J. C. Jones	16
1 pr. Bed irons	"	B. S. Briggs	35
1 " do	"	ditto	25
1 Box Knives & forks.	"	ditto	1 55
1 Sug. Coffee pot & p.	"	J. W. Mellons	10
1 Coffee Mill	"	B. S. Briggs	30
1 Set old bottles	"	ditto	15
1 Iron Lantern	"	John R. Briggs	15
2 Large Waiters	"	B. S. Briggs	06
3 Brass candle sticks	"	C. St. Searbrough	13
1 pr. do do	"	B. S. Briggs	40
1 Candle stick & snuffers	"	J. R. Prutton	16
1 Iron safe	"	C. St. Searbrough	1 25
1 Set tea chair. white	"	B. S. Briggs	75
1 do do gilt	"	ditto	2 55
5 Tumblers	"	ditto	75
14 Glass glasses.	"	ditto	25

Account of Sales continued

Amount Brought forward.	To		
1 Blue Sugar dish & Jumbles.	B. S. Briggs	17	
14 Silver Tea spoons	ditto	5 40	
1 pr. Sugar Tongues	William Briggs	1 25	
5 Cup plates	John R Briggs	10	
2 Small Preserv plates	ditto	20	
1 Salver	William I Sebrill	55	
2 Preserv plates	John R Briggs	30	
1 Glass bowl	B. S. Briggs	06	
2 Glass pitchers	ditto	13	
1 Large glass Spicicle dish	ditto	01	
Medium Baskets	ditto	15	
2 Decanters	ditto	26	
2 Ditto	Joseph Briggs	50	
2 Ditto	William Briggs	25	
2 Pitchers	B. S. Briggs	22	
1 Comfort	John R Briggs	2 30	
1 Bed quilt	Ulidon	13	
1 pr. Rose blankets	Peter J. Holmes	3 31	
1 " do do	William D Stodd	4 00	
1 " do do	Joseph Briggs	1 75	
1 " do do	Ulidon	25	
1 White Counterpane	Robt. A Chespell	75	
1 do do	B. S. Briggs	35	
1 do do	John R Briggs	25	
1 do do	A. A. Drury	19	
1 Footing for bed	B. S. Briggs	05	
1 Toilet	ditto	06	
1 do	J R Briggs	10	
1 pr. Sheets	Ulidon	25	
1 Counterpane	S. Briggs	1 00	
1 ditto	Wm Harrison	1 00	
1 pr. Sheets	John S Hines	13	
1 Toilet	B. S. Briggs	07	
1 Canopy	Peter J Holmes	2 25	

Account continued

Amount brought forward	To		
1 Counterpane	William Harrison	53	
1 ditto	J R Briggs	1 10	
1 Base	ditto	1 10	
1 Table Cloth	S Briggs	2 00	
2 Bases	B. S. Briggs	10	
1 Table cloth	ditto	75	
2 ditto	W. C. Pace	57	
2 ditto	B. S. Briggs	70	
2 ditto	John R Briggs	90	
2 ditto	W. C. Pace	41	
2 Towels	S Briggs	20	
1 Counterpane	D W Stichen	75	
2 Towels	John R Briggs	14	
Bed Curtains	ditto	1 70	
1 pr. Cotton Cloth	ditto	13	
7 Towels	B. S. Briggs	20	
10 Bushels Wheat	William Briggs	11 50	
1 Saddle & Bridle	E L Briggs	50	
1 Carpet	W. C. Pace	80	
1 Table & 2 pr Tongues	Joseph Briggs	31	
1 pr. Sharp Shears	B. S. Briggs	11	
1 " ditto	A. A. Drury	06	

An account of Sales of Negroes.

John	To	Suparna R Sheffield	28 00
Herbert	"	William Briggs	85 00
Tom	"	Edwin S. Scott	231 00
Anthony	"	Peter B Wells	388 00
Sepe	"	Watkins	436 00
Dick	"	ditto	652 00
Nevil	"	ditto	454 00
Albert	"	John Hines	200 00
Joe	"	Joseph Briggs	183 00
Bob.	"	John S. Ellis	195 00
Harriet & 3 children	"	Robert Britton	706 00
Oliza	"	W J Sebrill	476 00
Bernard	"	Watkins	314 00
Van dace	"	Henry M Butts	216 00
Jim	"	John S Ellis	340 00
Emma	"	William Briggs	289 00
Lewis.	"	John C. Nicholson	222 00
Clara & 1 child	"	B. S. Briggs	236 00
Rensin	"	ditto	76 00
Nanny	"	ditto	000 00
			7527 00
Old Fanny to keep		B. S. Briggs \$195.00	
" Ned to keep	"	ditto 118.00	314 00
			5413. 00

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 19th day of October 1846. This account of Sales of the estate of William Briggs dec^d was returned and ordered to be recorded.

Teste. L. R. Edwards lcl
 Copy Teste L. R. Edwards lcl

Butts

v. }

Briggs

Filed by plaintiff Sept. 21. 1848.

\$481.89/100.

Petersburg 20th June 1842.

One day after date I promise to pay or cause to be paid to Hunt. Patterson & Wells or their order the just and full sum of Four hundred and eighty one dollars and 89 cents for value received. For which payment well and truly to be made I bind myself heirs &c. severally and jointly, by these presents. Witness my hand and seal.

William Briggs Sen (Seal)

\$62 3/100 - 23rd Feby 1843 Recd. Sixty two dollars 31 cts from Sales Bacon.

\$49.51/100 - 6 Oct. 1843. Recd from B. F. Hunt from sales 6 Barrels brandy forty nine dollars 51 cts.

1843 Dec. 1. By Sales 2 Bbls brandy of B. F. Hunt \$18.62.

1843 Dec 1 Recd. in part fifty dollars. \$50. H.D. & W.

Feby 10. 1844 By Sales 2 Bbls. Pea. brandy \$27.39/100.

1844 Dec. 1 Recd. One hundred & forty dollars - \$140.

The above is a true copy of a bond and endorsements thereon filed in a suit lately depending in the Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery for Southampton County in which Hunt. Patterson & Wells were plaintiffs and Joseph Briggs and John R Briggs administrators of William Briggs sr. dec. Defts.

Teste

J. R. Edwards lsb

\$65.37/100.

On demand with interest from the 1st day of January last I promise and bind myself, heirs, executors, or assigns to pay to B. F. Hunt his heirs Executors &c. the sum of sixty five dollars & thirty seven cents for value received. As Witness my hand and seal this 30th day of May 1844.

William Briggs Jr. (Seal)

The above is a true copy of a bond filed in a suit lately depending in the Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery for Southampton County in a suit lately depending thereon in which B. F. Hunt is plaintiff and Joseph Briggs & John R Briggs Administrators of William Briggs sr. dec. Defendants

Teste.

J. R. Edwards lsb

On demand I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Richard Darden
his heirs or assigns the sum of thirty five dollars for value received. Given under
my hand and seal this 15th day of July 1844.

William Briggs Sr (Seal)

The above is a true copy a bond filed in a suit lately depending in the County Court
of Southampton in which Richard Darden was plaintiff and Joseph Briggs
and John R Briggs administrators of William Briggs dec. Deft.

Teste. J. R. Edwards Secy

§23. 12th

On demand I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto William
Bowers or order the sum of twenty three dollars & 12¹/₂/100 Cents for value rec^d.
As Witness my hand and seal this the 30th day of October 1840.

Witness

Will. Briggs Sr (Seal)

The above is a true copy of a bond filed in a suit lately depending in the County
Court of Southampton in which William Bowers was plaintiff and Joseph
Briggs & John R Briggs administrators of William Briggs dec. Deft.

Teste. J. R. Edwards Secy

On demand with interest from the 14th day of Oct. past I promise to pay
or cause to be paid unto Charles Seammell his heirs or assigns the just and full
sum of One hundred dollars for value received. Given under my hand and
seal this 7 day of Decr 18th 14.

Test.

William Briggs & Seal

Bennett S. Briggs.

The above is a true copy of a bond ^{filed in a suit} lately depending in the Circuit Superior Court
of Law and Chancery for Southampton County in which Charles Seammell who
sues for the benefit and at the costs of Theodore Trezvant was plaintiff and Joseph
Briggs & John R. Briggs Advers. of William Briggs to dec^r. Deft.

Teste.

L. R. Edwards Secy

On demand I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Thomas J. Prellow his heirs or
assigns the just and full sum of thirty two dollars and forty eight cents for value
received. Given under my hand & seal this 20th day of January 18th 15.

William Briggs & Seal

The above is a true copy of a bond ^{filed in a suit} lately depending in the ~~Circuit~~
~~Superior Court of Law and Chancery~~ County Court of Southampton between Thomas
J. Prellow Plaintiff and Joseph Briggs & John R. Briggs Advers. of William
Briggs to dec^r. Deft.

Teste.

L. R. Edwards Secy

On demand I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Richard Darden his heirs or assigns the just & full sum of Six hundred & six dollars & 10 ³/₄ cts for value received. & for the true performance thereof I bind myself my heirs Exors & admors firmly by these presents. Given under my hand & Seal this 21st day of March 1842.

— Henry Knidred.

William Briggs Sen (Seal)

Rec^d Jan^y 20 1843 the sum of two hundred dollars in part. R.D.

Rec^d March 18 1844 the sum of two hundred dollars in part. R.D.

Rec^d April 21 1845 the sum of one hundred dollars in part. R. Darden.

The above is a true copy of a bond and endorsements thereon filed in a suit lately depending in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery for Southampton County in which Richard Darden was plaintiff and John R Briggs and Joseph Briggs administrators of William Briggs & de^d Defts.

Teste. J.R. Edwards Clk

One day after date I promise to pay or cause to be paid unto Francis E Rives admor. of H. P. Heath the just and full sum of two hundred and twenty five dollars with interest from the 15th day of January 1840 till paid for value received and for the true performance thereof well and truly to be made I bind myself my heirs & firmly by these presents. Given under my hand & Seal this 7th day of May one thousand eight hundred and forty.

William Briggs & (Seal)

The above is a true copy of a bond filed in a suit lately depending in the Circuit Superior Court of Law & Chancery for Southampton County in which Francis E Rives administrator of Hartwell P. Heath de^d was plaintiff & Joseph Briggs & John R Briggs admors of William Briggs & de^d Defts.

Teste

J.R. Edwards Clk

Account Current of
William Briggs' Est.

Bulls

to }

Briggs

Filed by plaintiff Sept. 21. 1848.

Dr. The Estate of William Briggs dec^d In Account with Joseph and John R Briggs Administrators. Cr.

1845					
Dec	12	To paid William B Willons clerk at sale	2		
		" paid J. C. Jones	12		
		" paid Funeral expenses	25		
1846		" paid for Sundries for the family	31	35	
Jan	3	" paid Bennett S Briggs for keeping old negroes	314		
	19	" paid Sheriff of Southampton taxes tickets	24	50	
May	6	" paid W R Drinkard	3	75	
		" paid John W Syms	3	37	
		" paid Sheriff of Surry tax on land	1	12	
		" 5 per Cent Commissions on Jy of \$33.82			
		Amount of Receipts		396	69
Dec	31	" Balance Carried down	7120	04	
			7933	82	

1847					
Feb	10	To William J Sebrill appraiser	1		
Apr	3	" paid Sheriff of Surry tax on land for 1845		16	
June	3	" paid Same ditto 1846		16	
	4	" paid William Briggs Committee of Peggy Washington, amount due her & int. per account audited by Court Cobb.		2618	29
		" paid William Briggs a dec ^d de bonis non of John B Washington deceased unpaid of balance due on account audited by same Commissioners		447	36
		" 5 per Cent Commissions on \$556.66			
		Amount of Receipts		27	83
		" Balance Carried down		555	90
			7676	70	

1845					
Dec	12	By Cash found in the house		192	
		" Cash received for wheat		10	80
1846		" ditto P. J. Holmes		2	50
Dec	1	" Amount Sales due this day		7728	52
				7933	82

1847					
Jan	19	By Balance brought down		7120	04
		" William B Woods bond due this day		556	66
				7676	70

1847
June 4 By balance due the estate this day 555.90
With interest thereon till paid
J. J. I. Mason Com

Super. C. H. July 4. 1847.

From the vouchers and papers rendered before me by Joseph and John R Briggs Administrators of William Briggs deceased, I have stated and settled the foregoing account of their transactions as such, in obedience to an order of the County Court of Southampton made at February Term 1847 - which account exhibits a balance of five hundred and fifty five dollars and ninety cents due from the administrators to the estate of their intestate on this day, with interest thereon till paid.

Respectfully Submitted

J. J. Mason Comr

At a Court held for the County of Southampton on the 20th day of September 1847. This account of Jos. & John R Briggs' administration on the estate of William Briggs dec^d was returned and ordered to lie on the table for exceptions. And at a Court held for the County aforesaid on the 18th day of October 1847 the said account having lain on the table and no exceptions being filed was confirmed and ordered to be recorded.

Teste. J. R. Edwards Clk

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Teste. J. R. Edwards Clk

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Note of debt. Counsel

The proof shows that
the slave of the debt
was converted by the
father to his use and
sh. be accounted for
the son

R H B.

dis missed - each
party paying his
own costs -

The defence of The defendant is that his father, William Briggs being indebted to him in a large amount at the time that the conveyance sought to be set aside was made, that it was intended as a discharge of the debt, and therefore could not be fraudulent as to creditors. It is submitted, that a father advancing his child, to whom he is at the same time in debt, shall be presumed to do so with a view to the discharge of the debt, if the sum advanced be sufficient; and that even though it be a portion given in marriage. Kelly v Kelly 6 Kan 180 - Referred to in 2 Rob Prae. 97. - Nor is it proved that the estate of Wm. Briggs is insolvent. The evidence showing that before his death he purchased the shares of several of the legatees entitled to the estate of John H. Washington after the death of Peggy Washington, which have not yet been applied towards the payment of his debts -