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SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY  
CHANCERY PAPERS

BRYANT <sup>et al</sup> VS. BEALE et ux et al

12/1851

Other surnames: Darden,  
Caroon, Maget, Thorp,  
Barrett, Parker, Jiggetts,  
Cook, Britt, Jones, Worrell,  
Williams, Everitt, Odum,  
Rix, Johnson, Allen, Beal,  
Ricks, Edwards

Bryant

to } Bill of ans

Bryant &amp;

1849 Nov. Decree as filed

# " Dec. . amended

1850 Jan. decree amended

" Aug. Report.

" Sep. Confm?

1851 Dec. Petition of J. J. Johnson & Co  
filed & decree as filed

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J. J. Johnson & Co  
 J. J. Johnson & Co  
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To the worshipful County Court of  
Southampton County in chancery, sitting—

Humbly complaining shew unto  
your worship, your complainants Benjamin  
Bryant & Orman Bryant that some time since  
Edith Bryant, their mother and widow of Will-  
iam Bryant deceased, departed this life seized  
and possessed of certain land & negro slaves, as her  
dower allotted & appertained to her out of the estate  
of the said Mr. Bryant deceased.

Your complainants represent and declare  
that at the death of the said Edith Bryant  
dece of the said dower estate both real & per-  
sonal descended in due course of law to  
them together with certain others who are  
defendants hereto—

And as they are anxious for a di-  
vision and are surrounded at law and only re-  
lievable in equity, therefore your complain-  
ants humbly pray that your worship should  
make the following persons parties defendant to  
this bill, (viz) John E Beale & wife Lydia, Jonathan  
Harden & wife Temperance, Wm H. Bryant & Ben-  
jamin J. Bryant executors of the last will & testa-  
ment of Maria Bryant deceased, Louisa E Bryant,  
Peleg Haroon & wife Margaret, Wm J. Maget trust-  
ee in a deed of trust from said Haroon for the  
benefit of James Maget, Lewis Thorp & wife Caro-  
line Wm J. Barrett & wife Sarah, Wm H Bryant, Ben-  
jamin J. Bryant, Septimus S. Bryant, L R Edward  
guardian ad litem of Richard L Bryant, of Cath-  
arine E Bryant, & of John W. Bryant, Henry H. Par-  
ker & wife Martha, L R Edward guardian ad litem

of Mary Ann Liggett, Alexander Look & wife  
Emma, L R Edwards guardian ad litem of  
Elizabeth H Bryant & of Sarah F Bryant,  
Joseph Britt & wife Amanda, Adolphus Jones  
& wife Martha, Julia A E. Morrell, L R Edwards  
guardian ad litem of Lelia Williams and  
of Trammitt Williams, Wm Exam Everett, Wiley  
Odum & wife Eliza, Edward Rice & wife Edith,  
& Wyatt Everett; & compel them as full and  
perfect answer make to the allegations there-  
in contained as if they had been thereunto  
more fully & specially interrogated, and that  
your worships would appoint commissioners  
to make sale, at public auction, of the said  
clover lands & negro slaves for the purpose of  
effecting a division; & further grant such  
other & general relief, the premises considered,  
as equity may dictate and the nature of this  
case may require and as in duty bound they  
will ever may do - - -

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Answer

of Mrs E Beale & wife Lydia, Jonathan  
Harden & wife Temperance, Wm H Bryant & wife  
Mir J. Bryant executor of Lewis Bryant deceased,  
Louisa E. Bryant & wife Aaron & wife Margaret,  
Wm J Maget Trustee, Lewis Thorp & wife Caroline,  
Wm S Barrett & wife Sarah, Wm H Bryant, Benja-  
min J Bryant, Septiah S. Bryant, L R Edwards  
guardian ad litem of Richard L Bryant & Cath-  
arine E Bryant & of Mrs H. Bryant, Henry  
H Parker & wife Martha, L R Edwards guar-  
dian ad litem of Mary Ann Liggett, Alex-  
ander Look & wife Emma, L R Edwards  
guardian ad litem of Elizabeth H Bryant  
& of Sarah F Bryant, Joseph Britt & wife  
Amanda, Adolphus Jones & wife Martha,  
Julia A E Morrell, L R Edwards guardian  
ad litem of Lelia Williams & of Trammitt  
Williams, Wm Exam Everett, Wiley Odum &  
wife Eliza, Edward Rice & wife Edith, and  
Wyatt Everett, parties to a certain bill  
exhibited against them by Benja Bryant &  
Orman Bryant.

These defendants saving now  
& always all advantages that may be taken  
of the errors & insufficiencies in the said  
bill for answer say, that they have no  
objection to the appointment of commissioners  
to make sale of the lands & negroes whereof  
Edith Bryant died seized & possessed, for the  
purpose of effecting a division as prayed  
for - and having answered pray to be hence  
dismissed.

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To the Worshipful County Court of  
Southampton County in chancery sitting -

Humbly complaining shew unto  
your worships your Complainants Benjamin Bryant  
and Orman Bryant, that some time since Edith Bry-  
ant, widow of William Bryant deceased, departed <sup>life</sup> this  
seized and possessed of certain lands and negroes which  
had been allotted to her as her dower out of the estate  
of her said deceased husband, which land and ne-  
groes, your Complainants are advised, descended  
and reverted at the death of <sup>the</sup> said Edith Bryant, in  
due course of law, to your Complainants together  
with certain others who are defendants hereto.

And as your Complainants are  
anxious for a division and are remiss at  
law and only vulnerable in equity therefore they  
humbly pray that your worships would make  
the following persons parties defendant to this  
bill (viz) John E Beale and wife Lydia, - Jonathan  
Barden and wife Temperance, - the heirs of Da-  
vis Bryant deceased, (viz) Louisa E. Bryant, Peleg Ca-  
ron and wife Margaret, Lewis Thorp and wife Caro-  
line, William D. Barrett and wife Sarah, W<sup>m</sup> M. Bry-  
ant, Benj<sup>r</sup> J. Bryant, Septiah J. Bryant, Richard L.  
Bryant, Catherine E. Bryant by her guardian ad litem  
L R Edwards + John N. Bryant by his guardian ad  
litem L R Edwards, - the heirs of James H Bryant  
deceased viz, Henry H Parker + wife Martha, Mary  
Ann Liggett by her guardian ad litem L R Edwards,  
Alexander Cook + wife Emma, Elizabeth M. Bryant,  
+ Sarah F Bryant, - the heirs of Henry L. Williams  
viz, in right of wife Martha viz Adolphus Jones and  
wife Martha, Julia A. E. Norrell, Abelia Williams

by her guardian ad litem L R Edwards & Araminta Williams by her guardian ad litem L R Edwards — the assignees of Henry Everitt viz all of the heirs of the aforesaid W<sup>m</sup> Bryant deceased, — the legates and representation under the last will and testament of Argill M. Bryant viz Lewis Thorp & wife Caroline, W<sup>m</sup> H. Bryant & George J. Bryant, — and compel them as full and perfect answer make to the allegations herein contained as if they had been thereunto more fully & specially interrogated, and that your worships would appoint commissioners to make sale of all of the said lands and slaves, at public auction, giving proper notice, at such time and place & either for cash or on credit requiring bond with good security, as in the discretion of the said Commissioners may be most advantageous to the parties interested, and most proper for effecting a just and lawful division of the said lands and slaves, and that your worships would grant such other and general relief, the premises considered, as equity may dictate and the nature of their case may require, & as in duty bound they will ever pray  
- &c.

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Answer to the above bill  
by all of the parties prayed to be made defendants

These defendants, having all advantage, that may be taken of the errors & insufficiencies in the said bill, for answer say that they have no objection to the decree appointing Commissioners as prayed for, and having answered, pray to be hence dismissed.

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Bryant &c }  
vs } Decree  
Bryant et alia }

This day this 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 counsel: — On consideration whereof the Court doth order, adjudge and decree that James Maget, Thomas B. Norrill, Alexander Myrick, John S. Kindred and Benjamin J. Barrett be appointed Commissioners (any three of whom may act) — that they sell at public auction, at such time and place giving proper notice thereof and either for cash or on a credit requiring bonds with good security, as in the judgment and discretion of the said Commissioners so acting, may be most advantageous to all of the parties interested, all of the lands and slaves whereof Edith Bryant died seized and possessed as her dower allotted and appportioned to her out of the estate of her deceased husband William Bryant, — that they divide and pay over the proceeds arising from such sale in the following manner, (viz) or if they sell on a credit that they divide and assign the bonds in like manner, that is to say, that they divide the whole of such net proceeds into nine equal portions, and assign or pay over one to Benjamin Bryant, — one to Orman Bryant, — one to John E. Beale in right of his wife Lydia, — one to Jonathan Hardens in right of his wife Temperance, — one to the heirs of David Bryant (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Louisa E. Bryant, Peleg Caroon in right of his wife Margaret, Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, W<sup>m</sup> D. Carr,

with in right of his wife Sarah, William B. Bryant, Benjamin J. Bryant, Septiah J. Bryant, Richard L. Bryant, the guardian at law of Catharine E. Bryant, and the guardian at law of John M. Bryant) - One portion to the heirs of James H. Bryant (that is to say, that this latter portion be divided and distributed equally between Henry H. Parker in right of his wife Martha, to the guardian of Mary Ann Liggatts in right of her mother Mary Ann Liggatts wife of Francis Liggatts, to Alexander Cook in right of his wife Emma, to Elizabeth M. Bryant and to Sarah F. Bryant) - One <sup>portion</sup> to the heirs of Henry L. Williams in right of their mother Martha (that is to say that this latter portion be distributed equally to Adolphus Jones in right of his wife Martha, to Julia A. C. Norrell, to the guardian of Celestia Williams in right of her father W. M. Eldridge Williams and one to the guardian of Araminta Williams) - One portion to the legates and representatives under the last will and testament of Argil H. Bryant deceased (that is to say that <sup>the portion of</sup> the proceeds arising from the sale of the lands to which the said Argil H. Bryant would ~~be~~ entitled be allotted to Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, and that portion of the proceeds arising from a sale of the said slaves be allotted in equal shares to W. M. B. Bryant, to Benja. J. Bryant and to Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline) - and the other and last portion to the assignees of Henry Everett, viz<sup>to</sup> all of the heirs of the said W. M. Bryant as aforesaid: And report to the court in order to a final decree - The Court further orders the said Commissioners first to retain enough of the proceeds from the above sale to pay the expenses of obtaining & executing this decree.

But the said Commissioners are not to act until they have given, in the clerk's office a bond or bond conditioned in proper penalties for the true and rightful performance of the foregoing duties.

1852 July 16<sup>th</sup> Received of the Clerk of the County Court of Southampton a bond returned  
by the Comptroller in this cause against John E. Beale & others for \$22.58<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cents due  
18<sup>th</sup> December 1850, in pursuance of a decree of the Court which is hereto annexed.

Charles H. Mapeerburg Atty  
for Geo F Johnson & Geo Allen

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Petition & decree

1851 December Bond

Bryant & Bryant

The petition of John F Johnson and  
John Allen & Wm Everett

To the worshipping Court & County of  
Sav. Thompson in Chancery sitting -

Humbly complaining that unto your worships  
your petitioners John F Johnson & John Allen  
that they are just creditors of the said Wm Everett  
for whose benefit a bond has been filed in this  
cause - that they were the securities of the said  
Everett on a bond executed in the State of North  
Carolina to one Pinckens Powell on the 24th day  
of Decr 1841 for the sum of \$18 on which writ  
warrant was brought and judgment rendered  
against all the obligors therein named to wit,  
the said Everett and your petitioners, and execution  
issued which execution to the amount of  
\$28.22 your petitioners were forced to pay  
the said Everett being insolvent, all of which  
will fully appear by copies of said bond judg-  
ment and Constables receipts herewith filed  
marked (A) and prayed to be taken as parts  
of this petition - In tender consideration of all which  
your petitioners pray that the said bond filed  
for the said Everett which does not amount  
to so much as their debt may be paid over  
to them in part satisfaction and as in  
and by hence they will ever pray &c

Chas. W. Bryant  
attys for Petitioners

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This day this cause came on again to be heard on the papers previously read the report of the Commissioners under the decree of January 1850 and the petition John F Johnson and John Allen and was argued by Counsel on consideration whereof the Court ~~decided~~ ~~confirmed~~ confirming ~~the~~ the said report, and being of opinion that the said John F Johnson and John Allen, doers and judges under said decree that the said John F Johnson and John Allen receive from the said John F Johnson the sum of \$24.22 with interest from the 11th of February 1850, and that the Clerk of this Court deliver to the said John F Johnson and Allen the bond filed in this suit against John F Johnson for the sum of \$22.58 2/3 and returned by the Commissioners for the benefit of John F Johnson, in part satisfaction of the said sum of \$24.22

1869 December.

Benjamin Bryant & Orman Bryant }

vs

Lewis Thos & wife & others }

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This day this cause was docketed by leave of court & consent of parties & came on again to be heard on the bill & answer and was argued by counsel: On consideration whereof the Court doth order, adjudge & decree that James Maggett Thomas B. Norrell, Alexander Myrick, John I. Kindred & Benjamin J. Barrett be appointed commissioners (any three of whom may act) that they sell at public auction, at such time & place, giving proper notice thereof as the said commissioners or acting may think proper, all of the lands and slaves whereof Edith Bryant did seized & possess as her dower allotted & apportioned to her out of the estate of her deceased husband William Bryant, requiring for the lands bonds with good security payable & bearing interest twelve months after date, and requiring for the slaves, first enough in cash to pay the expenses of obtaining & executing this decree, and for the remainder bonds with good security on demand twelve months after date but bearing interest from date - that they divide & assign said bonds as follows - that is to say that they divide the whole of such net proceeds into nine equal portions, taking a separate bond for each portion, and assign or pay over one to Benjamin Bryant, one to Orman Bryant, one to John E. Beale in right of his wife Lydia, one to

Jonathan H. Arden in right of his wife Temperance, one to the heirs of Elaris Bryant (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Louisa E. Bryant, Peleg Leavon in right of his wife Margaret, the said Leavon's portion to be assigned to Wm. S. Maget trustee in a deed of trust from said Leavon, Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, Wm. T. Barrett in right of his wife Sarah, Wm. H. Bryant, Benja. J. Bryant, Leptahol Bryant, the guardian of Richard L. Bryant, the guardian of Leatharine E. Bryant & the guardian of John H. Bryant, or in such manner as the said Elaris Bryant may have directed in his last will & testament) - one portion to the heirs of James H. Bryant, (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Henry H. Parker in right of his wife Martha, to the guardian of Mary Ann Diggets in right of her mother Mary Ann Diggets wife of Francis Diggets, to Alexander Cook in right of his wife Emma to the guardian of Elizabeth H. Bryant & to the guardian of Sarah H. Bryant) - one portion to the heirs of Henry L. Williams in right of their mother Martha (that is to say that this latter portion be distributed equally to Joseph Britt in right of his wife Amanda, to Adolphus Jones in right of his wife Martha, to Julia A. E. Norrell, to the guardian of Lelia Williams in right of her father Wm. Eldridge Williams, and to the guardian of Aramitta Williams) - one portion to the legatees under the last will & testament of Argil H. Bryant deceased (that is to say that the portion of the proceeds arising from the sale of the land to which the said Argil

H. Bryant would have been entitled be assigned to Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline) & that portion of the proceeds arising from the sale of the said slaves be assigned in equal shares to Wm. H. Bryant, to Benja. J. Bryant & to Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline) - and the other & last portion or bond for such portion of the land aforesaid be assigned in equal shares to each of the children of Henry Everett in right of their mother who was a daughter of the said Wm. Bryant deceased, and that the bond for the said Henry Everett's portion of the said dower never be assigned to his assignees, that is to say to all of the heirs of the said Wm. Bryant deceased -

And the said commissioners are required to report to the court in order to a final decree.

But the said commissioners are not to act until they have given, in the clerk's office, a bond conditioned in the penalty of \$ for the faithful performance of the foregoing duties.

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Southampton County November Court 1824.

Benjamin Bryant &3. Deft.

against

Lewis Thorpe & others

Deft.

This day this 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 Counsel: On Consideration whereof the Court doth order adjudge and decree that James Mayet Thomas B. Darrell Alexander Myrick Jno J. Kinlerd and Benjamin T. Barrell be appointed Commissioners any three of whom may act, that they sell at public auction at such time and place giving proper notice thereof as the said Commissioners so acting may think proper all of the Land and Slaves whereof Edith Bryant doth seized and possessed as her dower allotted and appertained her out of the estate of her deceased husband William Bryant requiring for the Land bond with good security payable and bearing interest twelve Month after date, and requiring for the slaves first enough in cash to pay the expenses of obtaining & executing this decree and for the remainder bond with good security on demand twelve Month after date. But bearing interest from date, (the time to which Land is not to be made until all the purchase money is paid) that they divide and assign said bond as follows, that is to say, that they divide the whole of such net proceeds into three equal portions, taking @ several times for each portion and assign one to Benjamin Bryant

one to Annan M Bryan and to John  
E Brab in right of his wife Lydia, and to  
John Darden in right of his wife Legeary  
one to the heirs of Davis Bryan, that  
is to say that the latter portion be divided  
equally, between Anna E Bryan, Deby  
Carson in right of his wife Margaret,  
(the said Carson interest to be assigned  
to Wm D Magee trustee in & deed of trust  
from said Carson to Jas Magee), Lewis  
Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, Wm  
J Darrell in right of his wife Sarah,  
Wm D Bryan, Benjamin M Bryan, Sophia  
S Bryan, the Guardian of Richd Bryan  
the Guardian of Catharine E Bryan, and  
the Guardian of Jno D Bryan, in such  
manner as the said Davis Bryan may  
have directed in his last will and testament,  
one portion to the heirs of Jas E Bryan,  
that is to say that this latter portion be  
divided equally, between Henry H Parker in  
right of his wife Martha, to the Guardian  
of Mary Ann Figgell in right of ~~her~~  
Martha Mary Ann Figgell wife of Francis  
Figgell, to Alexander Cook in right of  
his wife Emma, to the Guardian of Elizabeth  
D Bryan, and to the Guardian of Sarah  
H Bryan, one portion to the heirs of  
Henry A Williams in right of their Mother  
Martha, that is to say that this latter  
portion be distributed equally to Jas T Brith  
in right of his wife Annetta, to Adolphus  
Jones in right of his wife Martha, to  
John D E Darrall, to the Guardian of John

Williams in right of his Mother Wm E  
Williams, and to the Guardian of Anna  
Milla Williams: one portion to the heirs  
under the last will & testament of John  
D Bryan, that is to say, that the  
portion of the proceeds arising from the  
sale of the lands, to which the said  
Argile D Bryan would have been  
entitled, be assigned to Lewis D Thorp in  
right of his wife Caroline, and that  
portion of the proceeds arising from the  
sale of said slaves, be assigned in  
equal shares to Wm D Bryan, to Benjamin  
M Bryan, and Lewis Thorp in right of  
his wife Caroline, and the other and  
and last portion, or bond for such portion  
of the said proceeds be assigned in  
equal shares to each of the children  
of Henry Emmet in right of their Mother  
who was daughter of the said Wm Bryan  
did, and that the bond for said Henry  
Emmet portion of the said proceeds  
negatives, be assigned to his assignees  
that is to the all of the heirs of said  
deceased Wm Bryan, and the said  
Emmet are required to report to the court  
in order to a final decree, But they  
are not to act until they have given  
in the Clerk Office a bond in the  
penalty of five thousand dollars  
conditioned according to Law;

Jas L E Edwards

Bryant

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1850 Jan

Dorchester County November Court 1849  
Benjamin Bryant & Orman M Bryant Plffs  
vs  
Davis Thorp wife & Orman M Bryant Plffs

This day this cause was docketed by <sup>agreed</sup> consent of parties and came on to be heard on the bill and answer and was argued by counsel: On Consideration whereof the Court doth order adjudged and decreed that James Magh Thomas B Worrell, Alexander Myrick, John F Kinchard and Benjamin S Burwell be appointed Commissioners (any three of whom may act) that they sell at public auction at such time and place giving proper notice thereof <sup>as the said commissioners as acting may think proper</sup> ~~the lands and slaves which were the property of the said William Bryant deceased and which were sold by the said James Magh Thomas B Worrell, Alexander Myrick, John F Kinchard and Benjamin S Burwell~~ <sup>as in the judgment and discretion of the said Commissioners acting may be</sup> ~~to all of the parties interested, all of the Lands and Slaves whereof Edick Bryant died seized and possessed as his dower allotted and apportioned to her out of the Estate of her deceased husband William Bryant~~ <sup>the said lands with good security payable bearing interest 12 months after date, and requiring for the slaves</sup> ~~the said lands with good security payable bearing interest 12 months after date, and requiring for the slaves~~ <sup>that they divide & assign</sup> ~~that they divide & assign~~ <sup>one to Benjamin Bryant, one to Orman Bryant</sup> ~~one to Benjamin Bryant, one to Orman Bryant~~ <sup>one to John & David in right of his wife Sybil</sup> ~~one to John & David in right of his wife Sybil~~ <sup>one to Jonathan Darden in right of his wife Temperance</sup> ~~one to Jonathan Darden in right of his wife Temperance <sup>that is to say that this latter portion be divided</sup> ~~that is to say that this latter portion be divided <sup>equally between Benjamin Bryant, David Carvont in right of his wife Margaret, Davis Thorp in right of</sup> ~~equally between Benjamin Bryant, David Carvont in right of his wife Margaret, Davis Thorp in right of~~ <sup>to Mr. J. Meget trustee of said estate and a trust from said Carvont</sup> ~~to Mr. J. Meget trustee of said estate and a trust from said Carvont~~~~~~

his wife Caroline, W<sup>m</sup> J Barrett in right of his  
wife Sarah, William D Bryant, Benjamin J  
Bryant, Joseph S Bryant, <sup>the guardian of</sup> Richard D Bryant,  
the Guardian at Law of Catherine E Bryant  
and the Guardian at Law of John D Bryant.  
or in such manner as to pay said debts, Bryant may have divided  
one portion to the heirs of James D Bryant  
ed in his last will & testament,  
that is to say, that this latter portion be divided  
and distributed equally between Henry D Parker  
in right of his wife Martha, to the Guardian  
of Mary Ann Siggels in right of her mother  
Mary Ann Siggels wife of Francis Siggels,  
to Alexander Siggels in right of his wife Emma,  
to <sup>the guardian of</sup> Margaret D Bryant and to Sarah F Bryant -  
one portion to the heirs of Henry S Williams  
in right of their mother Martha ~~that is to say~~  
that this latter portion be distributed equally to  
to Adolphus Jones in right of his wife Martha,  
to Julia A. E. Donnell, to the Guardian of ~~William~~  
Williams in right of her father W<sup>m</sup> E. Edwidge  
Williams and to the Guardian of Annella  
Williams, one portion to the legatee and representative  
under the last will and testament of Argil  
D Bryant deceased, that is to say that the portion  
of the proceeds arising from the sale of the land  
to which the said Argil D Bryant would ~~be~~  
entitled, be <sup>assigned</sup> to Lewis Sharp in right of  
his wife Caroline, and that portion of the proceeds  
arising from the sale of the said slave, be <sup>assigned</sup>  
in equal shares to W<sup>m</sup> D Bryant, to Benj. J Bryant  
and to Lewis Sharp in right of his wife Caroline  
and the other and last portion ~~to be assigned~~  
~~Henry Siggels, viz, to all of the heirs of the said~~  
~~W<sup>m</sup> Bryant as aforesaid, and Report to the~~  
~~Court in order to a final decree, the Court~~

~~direct the said Commissioners first to retain~~  
~~enough of the proceeds from the above sale to pay~~  
~~the expenses of obtaining & executing the decree~~  
~~But the said Commissioners are not to act~~  
~~until they have given to the Clerk of the~~  
~~a bond or bond conditioned in proper penalties~~  
~~for the true and faithful performance of the~~  
~~foregoing duties.~~

Jesse E R Edwards & C.

~~of the proceeds or~~  
or bond for such portion of the land afore-  
said be assigned in equal shares to ~~all~~  
and each of the children of Henry Everett  
and ~~that the bond or bonds~~ in right of their  
mother who was daughter of the said W<sup>m</sup> Bry-  
ant deceased, and that the bond for the said  
Henry Everett's portion of the said dower  
negroes be assigned to ~~the assignees of the~~  
~~said Everett & Mary Everett~~ that is, to  
say to all of the heirs of the said deceased  
W<sup>m</sup> Bryant - And the said court are  
required to report to the Court in order to  
a final decree -

But the said court are not  
to act &c

1850 January

Benjamin Bryant  
& Orman Bryant

vs

John E Beale & wife & others

} decree

This day this cause was again docketed by leave of court & consent of parties and came on again to be heard on the bill and answer and was argued by counsel: On consideration whereof of the Court doth order, adjudge & decree that James Maget, Thomas B. Norrell, Alexander Myrick, Benjamin J. Bennett & John I. Rindred be appointed Commissioners (any three of whom may act) - that they sell at public auction at such time & place, giving proper notice thereof as the said commissioners so acting may think proper, all of the lands & slaves whereof Edith Bryant did seized and possess as her dower allotted & appertained to her out of the estate of her deceased husband Mr Bryant; that they require of the purchasers, first or sufficient sum in cash to pay the expenses of obtaining & executing this decree, apportioning such expenses to the amount of the sales of each; and for the remainder, bonds with good security, for the lands payable & bearing interest twelve months after date, and for the negro slaves, on demand & payable twelve months after date but bearing interest from date - that they divide & assign said bonds as follows, that is to say that they divide the whole of the net proceeds arising from the sale of the land & slaves each, into nine equal portions, taking

a separate bond for each portion and assign or pay over said bonds as following (viz) one of each that is one for the purchase of the slaves and one for the purchase of the land, to Benjamin Bryant, - one of each to Orman Bryant, - one of each to John E Beale in right of his wife Lydia - one of each to Jonathan Hadden in right of his wife Temperance - ~~one bond, that is, a bond for one ninth of the net proceeds arising from the sale of the negroes, to Wm H Bryant & Benjamin Bryant executors of the last will & testament of Wm H Bryant deceased~~ and one bond, that is a bond for one ninth of the net proceeds arising from the sale of said land <sup>and slaves & each</sup> to the heirs of Wm H Bryant deceased (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Louisa E Bryant, Wm J. Maget Trustee in a deed of trust from Pledge Croon to said Maget for the benefit of James Maget, Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, Wm J. Barnett in right of his wife Sarah, Wm H Bryant, Benjamin L. Bryant, Leptchah S. Bryant, Richard L. Bryant, Catharine E Bryant & John W Bryant) - one of each of said bonds to the heirs of James H. Bryant (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Henry H. Parker in right of his wife Martha, Mary Ann Liggett in right of her mother Mary Ann Liggett, Alexander Cook in right of his wife Emma, Elizabeth W. Bryant & Sarah F. Bryant - one of each of said bonds to the heirs of Henry L. Williams (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Joseph Brit in right of his wife Amanda, Adolphus

Jones in right of his wife Martha, Julia A E Norrell, Lelia Williams in right of her father Wm Eldridge Williams, & Aramitta Williams) - One of the bonds for the land, that is a bond for one ninth of the net proceeds arising from the sale of the land to Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, ~~that is~~ under the last will & testament of Argil W. Bryant deceased; & that one ninth or bonds for one ninth of the net proceeds arising from the sale of said negroes be distributed in equal shares to Wm H. Bryant, Benjamin L. Bryant & Lewis Thorp in right of his wife Caroline, legates under the last will & testament of the said Argil W Bryant deceased - and the other last portion or bond for such portion of the land aforesaid be assigned in equal shares to the children of Henry Everitt in right of their mother Matilda, viz, to Wm Exum Everitt, Wiley Odum in right of his wife Eliza, Edward Rix in right of his wife Edith, & Wyatt Everitt (which latter bond or money for such bond the said Commissioners are directed to pay into and deposit in Court, till called for by the said descendants of Henry Everitt) and that the bond for the said Henry Everitt's portion of the said down negroes be paid over to his assignees, that is to say, in equal shares to all of the heirs of the said Wm Bryant deceased.

And the said Commissioners are required to report to the court in order to a final decree - But they are not to act until they have given in the clerk's office, a bond conditioned in the penalty of \$ for the faithful performance of the foregoing duties.

Bryant

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Bryant &

Southampton January Court 1850<sup>2</sup>

Benjamin Bryant & Ormum Bryant.

against  
John E. Beale & others

Plffs

Def

In Chancery

This day this cause was again docketed by leave of Court and consent of parties and came on again to be heard on the bill and answer and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that James Mayet, Thomas M. Worrell, Alexander Myrick, Benjamin J. Barrett & John J. Kendrick be appointed Commissioners (any three of whom may act) that they sell at public auction at such time and place, giving proper notice thereof as the said Commissioners so acting may think proper, all of the lands and slaves whereof Edith Bryant died seized and possessed as her dower, allotted and apportioned to her out of the estate of her deceased husband Wm. Bryant; that they require of the purchasers, first a sufficient sum in cash to pay the expenses of obtaining and executing this decree, apportioning such expenses to the amount of the sales of each; and for the remainder bonds, with good security, for the lands payable and bearing interest twelve months after date, and for the negro slaves, on demand and payable twelve months after date but bearing interest from date - that they divide & assign said bonds as follows, that is to say, that they divide the whole of the net proceeds arising from the sales of the land & slaves each, into nine equal portions, taking a separate bond for each portion and assign or pay over said bonds as follows, Viz, one of each that is one for the purchase of the slaves and one for the purchase of the lands to Benjamin Bryant, <sup>one to Ormum Bryant</sup> one of each to John E. Beale in right of his wife Lydia, one of each to Jonathan Doudar in right of his wife Temperance, and one bond, that is a bond for one ninth of the net proceeds arising from the sale of said lands and slaves each to the heirs of Davis Bryant deceased. (that is to say this latter portion to be divided equally between Laura E. Bryant, Wm. J. Mayet trustee in a deed of Trust from Peleg Carrow to said Mayet for the benefit of James Mayet, Lewis Thorpe in right of his wife Caroline, Wm. J. Barrett in right of his wife Sarah, Wm. D. Bryant, Benjamin J. Bryant, Sophia J. Bryant, Richard L. Bryant, Catharine E. Bryant, & John W. Bryant) one of each of said bonds to the heirs of James H. Bryant (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Henry H. Parker and

right of his wife Martha, Mary Ann Jiggotts in right of her mother Mary  
Ann Jiggotts, Alexander Cook in right of his wife Emma, Elizabeth W. Bryant  
and Sarah F. Bryant - One of each of said bonds to the heirs of Henry &  
Williams (that is to say that this latter portion be divided equally between Joseph  
Bryant in right of his wife Amanda, Adolphus Jones in right of his wife  
Martha, Julia A. C. Worrell, Lelia Williams in right of her father Wm.  
Coldridge Williams & Ann Maria Williams) One of the bonds for the land, that  
is a bond for one ninth of the net proceeds arising from the sale of the land  
to Lewis Thorpe in right of his wife Caroline, devisee under the last will and  
testament of Arget W. Bryant dec: and that one ninth or bonds for one ninth  
of the net proceeds arising from the sales of said negroes be distributed in  
equal ~~proportions~~ shares to Wm. D. Bryant, Benjamin J. Bryant, & Lewis Thorpe  
in right of his wife Caroline legatee under the last will and testament of the  
said Arget W. Bryant deceased. And the other and last portion or bond for  
such portion of the land aforesaid be assigned in equal shares to the children  
of Henry Everett in right of their mother Matilda, viz. to Wm. Emma Everett,  
Wiley Pollock in right of his wife Eliza, Edward Rice in right of his wife Edith  
& Wyatt Everett (which latter bond money, for such bond the said Commissioners  
are directed to pay into, and deposit in Court, till called for by the said descen-  
dants of Henry Everett) And that the bond for the said Henry Everett portion  
of the said lower negroes be paid over to his assignees, that is to say, in equal  
shares to all the heirs of the said William Bryant deceased -

And the said Commissioners are required to report to the Court in order to a  
final decree - But they are not to act until they have given bond in the  
Clerks Office a bond conditioned in the penalty of \$ for the faithful  
performance of the foregoing duties

Attest

Teste. L. R. Edwards Ck

Bryant &  
2 } Report

Bryant

1850 August Cont.

Agreeably to a Decree of the County Court of Southampton, dated Nov: Court 1849, and amended, January Court 1850. We the undersigned Commissioners, in obedience to the requisitions of said Decree, after advertising the time and place of sale of the Dower Estate of <sup>est<sup>re</sup></sup> Edith Bryant <sup>dec<sup>ed</sup></sup>, did on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, sell to the highest bidder, the Dower land and negroes of said deceased, as follows, to wit, —

|                                            |                     |          |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| 1 tract of land, 386 acres, (more or less) | To John E. Beale.   | \$825.00 |
| Negro man Orris — " — " —                  | " Arman ell. Bryant | 625.00   |
| " woman Viney & Child — " —                | " John E. Beale     | 621.00   |
| " man Lewis. — " — " —                     | " William S. Bryant | 474.00   |
| " man Jerry — " — " —                      | " John Bryant       | 355.00   |
| " woman Channy — " — " —                   | " John E. Beale     | 102.00   |
| whole amount of sales —                    |                     | 3002.00  |

from the sale of the land we retained \$12.00, and from the sale of the negroes \$31.00, to defray expenses of sale. <sup>3</sup>  
to wit Lawyer's fee \$10.00, Clerk's fee \$3.00, & Commissions \$30.00 = 43.00  
Balanced 2959.00

of which balance, each whole share is \$90.33 $\frac{1}{3}$  for the land, and \$268.25 for the negroes, making \$358.58 $\frac{1}{3}$ . — for the above balance of Two thousand nine hundred and fifty nine dollars, we took bonds of the purchasers and their securities, in accordance with the said Decree, except from John Bryant, who paid cash for the Negro man he purchased, and paid over the said bonds and cash, to the parties named in the Decree in the proportions we were directed to do by the said Decree, and took their receipts for the same, as follows, to wit, —

|                                                                                   |                                |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Paid Benjamin Bryant, his share                                                   | pr receipt                     | \$358.58 $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| " Arman ell. Bryant " " " "                                                       |                                | 358.58 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| " John E. Beale — " " " "                                                         |                                | 358.58 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| " Jonathan Darden " " " "                                                         |                                | 358.58 $\frac{1}{3}$   |
| " Louisa E. Bryant her share                                                      | " " " "                        | 35.86                  |
| " William J. Abagot trustee, instead of paying Peleg Garrison pr rec <sup>t</sup> |                                | 35.86                  |
| " Lewis Thorp — his share                                                         | pr receipt (from Davis Bryant) | 35.86                  |
| " William S. Barrett " " " "                                                      |                                | 35.86                  |
| " William S. Bryant " " " " (from his father.)                                    |                                | 35.86                  |

|                                                                     |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| paid Benjamin J. Bryant, his share (from his father's) receipt      | 35.86   |
| " Septiah J. Bryant. " " " "                                        | 35.86   |
| " William D. Bryant, Guardian for Rich <sup>d</sup> L. Bryant. " "  | 35.86   |
| " Benja <sup>a</sup> J. Bryant Guardian for Catharine E. Bryant " " | 35.86   |
| " Ditto Guardian for John W. Bryant " "                             | 35.86   |
| " Henry H. Parker, his share " "                                    | 71.71½  |
| " James M. Trader Guardian for Mary Ann Liggett " "                 | 71.71½  |
| " Alexander Cook his share " "                                      | 71.71½  |
| " Benja <sup>a</sup> Bryant Guardian for Elisabeth W. Bryant " "    | 71.71½  |
| " Ditto. Guardian for Sarah F. Bryant " "                           | 71.71½  |
| " Joseph Britt his share " "                                        | 71.71½  |
| " Adolphus H. Jones " " " "                                         | 71.71½  |
| " Julia A. E. Morrell her share " "                                 | 71.71½  |
| " Dr George W. Peete Guardian for Selia Williams " "                | 71.71½  |
| " Araminta L. Williams her share " "                                | 71.71½  |
| " Lewis Thorp, his share from Argil W. Bryants Estate " "           | 179.75+ |
| " William D. Bryant his share of same Estate " "                    | 89.41½  |
| " Benja <sup>a</sup> J. Bryant his share of same Estate " "         | 89.41½  |
| " Willie Odum his share " " " "                                     | 22.58⅓  |
| " Ditto Guardian for Wyatt Everitt " "                              | 22.58⅓  |
| " Abraham Ricks his share " " " "                                   | 22.58⅓  |

returned herewith to Court, One Note, 20, John E. Beale & 3  
others for the benefit of William E. Everitt — 3 22.58⅓

2959.00

The Decree directs that the Nett amount sales of the land and Negroes shall be divided into nine equal shares, and specifies how each share shall be paid over to the parties interested, and that Henry Everitts share of the sale of the Negroes shall be paid over to the other parties, which we have done as above stated, by dividing the sales of the Negroes into eight shares. — the Decree also directs to return the bond for the benefit of Wyatt Everitt to Court. — it should have been William E. Everitt, instead of Wyatt Everitt, he (Wyatt) is a minor, for whom Willie Odum is Guardian. — the name of Edward Ricks in the Decree should have been Abraham Ricks. —

Respectfully Submitted to the Court.  
Abel Myrick com<sup>r</sup>  
Thos<sup>d</sup> Morrell com<sup>r</sup>  
Jno I. Kindred

Memorandum, at the instance of William D. and Benja<sup>a</sup> J. Bryant Executors of Davis Bryant, the Decree was to have been amended that the Heirs of Davis Bryant, (in case his Estate should be insufficient to pay his debts,) should refund the amount they received from us as Comm<sup>r</sup>s, — we therefore took a refunding bond from them for that purpose, which is herewith returned to Court.

Abel Myrick com<sup>r</sup>  
Thos<sup>d</sup> Morrell com<sup>r</sup>  
Jno I. Kindred

Receipts from Mrs. Edith Bryant  
Distributors to Comm<sup>rs</sup>  
Enclosed.

Wm J. Maget, trustee,  
To \$ Receipt,  
Commissioners.

1850.

Received of Alexander Myrick, one of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of ~~Mr.~~ Edith Bryant dec'd. One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Nine dollars  $03\frac{1}{3}$  <sup>cents.</sup> due on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of Peelege Carroon's part of the sale of the land, in right of his Wife, also Received One Note against William D. Bryant for Twenty dollars Eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and the sum of six dollars Cash making \$26.82 $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of said Peelege Carroon's part of the sales of the negroes. in right of his Wife I receive the above Notes and cash, as trustee for the benefit of Capt. James Magt.

Witness  
W. M. Jones

Wm. Magt.  
Peelege Carroon

Dr Geo. W. Peete. Guardian  
To  $\frac{1}{3}$  Receipt.  
Commissioners.

1850.

Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. one of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of Mrs Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>. for Selia Williams, orphan of William E. Williams, dec<sup>d</sup>. One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Eighteen dollars six &  $\frac{2}{3}$  cents, due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of her part of the sale of the land, also received for said Selia Williams, One Note against Orman M. Bryant and others, for Forty two dollars and sixty five cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and Cash Eleven dollars, making \$53.65 in full of her part of the sales of the Negroes.

Gives little <sup>D</sup> of Selia Williams 

Benja Bryants  
To { Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. January 21<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq: One of the Commrs appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of Mrs. Edith Bryant dec'd. One Note vs. John E. Beale and others, for the sum of Ninety dollars 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents. due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my part of the sale of the land, - also received One Note agst. said John E. Beale, <sup>& others,</sup> for the sum of Two hundred and eight dollars & 25 cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and the sum of sixty dollars Cash, making \$268.25 in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes. —

Test  
Wm. E. Myrick

Benjamin Bryant

Jonathan Darden  
To { Receipt.  
& Commissioners.

1850. January 21<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq<sup>r</sup>. One of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Lower land and Negroes of W<sup>m</sup>. Edith Bryant, dec<sup>d</sup>, One Note against John E. Beale and others. for the sum of Ninety dollars  $33\frac{1}{3}$  cents. due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my part of the sale of the land. - also received One Note against Orman ell. Bryant and others. for the sum of Two hundred and thirteen dollars & 25 cents bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and the sum of Fifty five dollars Cash. making \$268.25 in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes. all in right of my wife - - - - -

Test  
W<sup>m</sup>. E. Myrick

Jonathan Darden

Received of

Orman M. Bryant  
To \$ Receipt.  
Commissioners.

Received of  
Orman M. Bryant

1850. January 21<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq: One of the Comm<sup>rs</sup> appointed to  
sell the Dover land and Negroes of M<sup>rs</sup> Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>. One Note, vs. John E. Beale,  
Due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. for the sum of Ninety dollars - 33 $\frac{1}{3}$  cents, in full of my  
part of the sale of the land, also received my own Note for the sum of  
Two hundred and sixty eight dollars and 25 cents, bearing interest from the  
18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes. -

Witness  
Robert Williams

Amos W Bryant

Inc. E. Beale's

To \$ Receipt

Commissioners.

1850 January 21<sup>st</sup> Received of Alexander Myrick Esq<sup>r</sup>. One of the Comm<sup>rs</sup>.  
appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of est<sup>ate</sup> Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>. my own  
Note for ninety dollars, 33 $\frac{1}{3}$  cents due December 18<sup>th</sup> 18~~50~~<sup>49</sup>. in full of my part  
of the sale of the land. — also received my own Note for the sum of  
Two hundred and sixty eight dollars and 25 Cents. bearing interest  
from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. in full of my part of the sales of the  
Negroes, all in right of my wife. — — — — —

I test  
Wm E Myrick

John E. Beale

Benja. I. Bryant Guardian

To  $\frac{1}{2}$  Receipt.  
Commissioners.

1850. January 21<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Eltyrick Esq. One of the Commissioners, appointed to sell the Dower land and negroes of ~~est<sup>d</sup>~~ Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>. for Catharine E. Bryant, orphan of Davis Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>, One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Nine dollars 03 $\frac{1}{3}$  Cents, due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of her part of the sale of the land; also received one note against William D. Bryant and others, for Twenty dollars eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, and Cash Six dollars, making \$26.82 $\frac{1}{2}$  for said Catharine E. Bryant, in full of her part of the sales of the negroes. — also received for John W. Bryant orphan of said Davis Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>, One Note against John E. Beale and others for Nine dollars 03 $\frac{1}{3}$  cents, due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of his part of the sale of the land; also received for said John W. Bryant, One Note against William D. Bryant and others for Twenty dollars eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, and Cash Six dollars, making \$26.82 $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of his part of the sales of the negroes.

Teste ~~Ben~~

Henry Bow.

Henry J. Bryant  
Guardian

Benj<sup>r</sup> S. Bryant

To  $\frac{5}{8}$  Receipt.  
Commissioners.

1850. January 31<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Commrs appointed to  
sell the Dower land and Negroes of ~~Edith~~ Edith Bryant, dec'd, One Note against John E.  
Beale and others for Nine dollars .03  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my part  
of <sup>the</sup> Sale of the land, (as one of my father's distributees,) also Received one Note  
against William D. Bryant and others for Seventy dollars, Eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents.  
bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, and cash six dollars,  
making \$26.82  $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes, (as one  
of my said father's distributees,) - also received one Note against said  
William D. Bryant and others for Seventy dollars forty one  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents  
bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, and Cash Nineteen  
dollars, making \$89.41  $\frac{1}{2}$ , in full of my part of the sales of the  
~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ Negroes, under Argil W. Bryants Will. - - -

Testo.

Beny J Bryant

Henry Blou

Lewis Thorp's  
To £ Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. January 21<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esqr One of the Commissioners appointed to sell  
the Dower land and Negroes of M<sup>rs</sup> Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>. One Note against John E. Beale and  
others for the sum of Ninety dollars  $33\frac{1}{3}$  cents, due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my  
part of the sale of the land, in right of my Wife, under Argil W. Bryant's  
Will. - also received One Note against William D. Bryant and others for Seventy  
dollars forty one  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, ~~bearing~~ interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849.  
and Cash Nineteen dollars, making \$89.41 $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of my part of the  
sales of the Negroes, in right of my Wife, under said Argil W. Bryant's Will.  
also received One Note against said John E. Beale & others for Nine dollars .03 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents  
due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my part of the sale of the land, in right of  
my Wife, as one of her father's distributees, - also received One Note against  
said William D. Bryant and others for Twenty dollars. Eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents,  
bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. And Cash Six dollars,  
making \$26.82 $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes, in  
right of my Wife, as one of her father's distributees.  
witnessed

J C Reese

Levi S. Thorp

William D. Bryant

of  $\frac{5}{8}$  Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. January 21<sup>st</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq: One of the Commrs appointed to sell the Power Land and Negroes of M<sup>rs</sup> Edith Bryant, decd, One Note against John E. Beale & others, for Nine dollars 03  $\frac{3}{4}$  Cents, due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850, in full of my part of the sale of the land. (as one of my father's distributees.) - also received my own Note of Twenty six dollars, Eighty two &  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, in full of my part of the sale of the Negroes. (as one of my said father's distributees.) - also received my own Note of Eighty Nine dollars <sup>bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849.</sup> forty one &  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cents, in full of my part of the sale of the Negroes under Argil W. Bryant's Will. —

Test

Beng I Bryant

Wm D Bryant

Benny Bryants  
recept guard of  
Sarah F Bryant

Jan'y 28. 1850 Recd of A Mynck one of coms  
appointed to sell the above land & negroes of  
Ezra Bryant and one note to Geo E Beal & others  
and 18 Decr 1850 for Eighteen Dols 06 $\frac{3}{4}$  also 1 note  
to the sd Geo E Beal & others for forty two Dols  
+ 65 and 18 Decr 1849 to both Eleven Dollars  
It being the amt due my ward Sarah F Bryant

Test  
Wm E. Mynck

Benjamin Bennett  
Guardian for  
Sarah F Bryant

Is Brigan's  
rept as given  
of Ely & W Br  
yant

Jan'y 25-1850 Recd of A. Myrick one of coms  
authorized to sell the Land and negroes of Genth  
Bryant decd one note vs Jas E. Beal for 18.06  $\frac{2}{5}$   
one 18 Decr 1850 also one note vs the same per  
for ty two Dols & 65 and 6 Eleven <sup>in each</sup> Dols in piece  
of the amt due to my ward Elizabeth W  
Bryant

Test  
Wm. E. Myrick

Benjamin Bryant  
guardian for Elizabeth  
W. Bryant

Got m Trauders  
recpt as guard  
of Mary & Juggitts

Rec<sup>d</sup> of A Mynick one of  
the commissioners to see the Dovers  
Land and myrrors belonging to  
Edett Bryant deceased one note  
against John E Beal & others for  
the amt of eighty dollars \$80  
cts, also another note against the said  
Beal and others for the amt of forty  
two dollars \$42 cts and eleven dollars  
in money it being the amt due my ward  
Mary A Jaggets

James W. Faden Esq  
Guardian

This the 25 day  
of Jan 1830

Test

Wm E. Mynick

Joseph Britt  
No 3 Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. Jan'y 26 Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. one of the Commissioners  
appointed to ~~sell~~ the Dower Land and Negroes of M<sup>rs</sup> Edith Bryant dec.  
One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Eighteen dollars  
06  $\frac{2}{3}$  cents. Due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my part of the sale  
of the land, in right of my Wife. - also received one Note  
against Orman M. Bryant and others, for Forty two dollars and  
sixty five cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December  
1849. and Cash Eleven dollars. making \$53.65. in full of  
my part of the sales of the Negroes, in right of my Wife. -

Test  
Parker Whitley

Joseph A. Smith

Julia H. E. Worrell  
Oct 5 Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. Jan<sup>y</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower Land and Negroes of M<sup>rs</sup> Edith Bryant<sup>de</sup>.  
One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Eighteen dollars. 06<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> Cts.  
Due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of my part of the  
Sale of the Land. — also received One Note against said John E.  
Beale and others, for Thirty Three dollars and twenty five Cents.  
bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and Cash  
Twenty Dollars and forty Cents. Making \$53.65 in full of  
my part of the sales of the Negroes. — — —  
Test

Julia A. E. Wells

Abraham Lincoln

Aramitta Williams  
To  $\frac{5}{3}$  Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. Jan. 7 27<sup>th</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of Mrs. Edith Bryant dec. One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Eighteen dollars six &  $\frac{2}{3}$  cents due on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of my part of the Sale of the land. also received One Note against Orman M. Bryant and others, for Fifteen dollars, fifty five cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. also received one Note against William D. Bryant and others, for Twenty nine dollars and fifty Cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and Cash Eight dollars and sixty Cents, making \$53.65. in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes.  
J. E. M.

Julia A. E. Morrell

Ernesta F. Williams

Willie Odum

recd to  
comb.

1850. July 18 Received of Alexander Myrick Esq<sup>r</sup> one of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes. of ~~Mr~~<sup>Ms</sup> Edith Bryant dec. One Note against John E. Beale and others. for the sum of Twenty two dollars, fifty eight  $\frac{1}{3}$  cents, due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850, in full of my part of the sale of of the land, in right of my Wife, Eliza, formerly Eliza Everitt, Daughter of Henry and Matilda Everitt, and grand Daughter of William, and said Edith Bryant.

Test  
his  
Ethelbert X Lee  
mark

Wm B. Mount

his  
Willie + Odum  
mark

A. H. Jones  
To  $\frac{1}{2}$  receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. <sup>24</sup> February 18<sup>th</sup> Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Commissioners  
Appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes, of M<sup>rs</sup> Edith Bryant dec.  
(in right of my wife.) One Note against John C. Beale and others, for  
Eighteen dollars, six  $\frac{2}{3}$  cents, due December 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of  
my part of the sale of the land. also received one note against  
Orman M. Bryant and others for Forty two dollars and sixty five  
cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. and  
Cash Eleven dollars, making \$53.65 in full of my part of  
the sales of the Negroes. — — — — —

Witness  
M. M. Jones

A. M. Jones

Willie Odum  
guard of W  
Everett

18 Feby 1850 Recd of A. Myrick one of the Comrs appointed  
to sell the downer Land and slaves of Earth Bryant dead  
one note vs Jno E Beal & others for the sum of  
Twenty Two Dollars and 58 $\frac{1}{2}$  cts due 18 Decr 1850 in  
full of the part of Myall Everett ~~my word~~ of the  
Land who was the son of Henry & Mahilda Everett  
daughter of Wm Bryant and Grand son  
of sd Earth Bryant & Wm Bryant / Willic<sup>his</sup> & O Chem  
Test Will Blount <sup>mark</sup> guard of Myall Everett  
Everett

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William S. Barrett  
To & Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850 Feb<sup>y</sup> 18<sup>th</sup>. Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Comm<sup>r</sup>s appointed  
to sell the Dower land and Negroes of Mrs Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>. One Note against  
John E. Beale and others, for Nine dollars 03 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cents, due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December  
1850, in full of my part of the sale of the land, in right of my Wife -  
also received One Note against William D. Bryant and others, for the  
sum of Twenty dollars eighty two <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup>  
day of December 1849, and Cash six dollars, making \$26.82 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> in  
full of my part of the sales of the Negroes, in right of my Wife. —

Teste

Wm Magr

Wm J Basset

Jeptthah S. Bryant  
of 5 Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850 July 18<sup>th</sup> Received of Alexander Myrick Esq<sup>r</sup> One of the Comm<sup>rs</sup> appointed to  
sell the Dower land and Negroes of ~~Edith~~ Edith Bryant, dec<sup>d</sup>, One Note against  
John C. Beale and others, for Nine dollars. 03  $\frac{1}{3}$  cents, due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Dec<sup>r</sup>  
1850. in full of my part of the Sale of the land. - also received one  
Note against William D. Bryant and others, for Twenty dollars, eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cts  
bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849. And Cash six -  
dollars, Making \$26.82  $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes. -

Teste

Leptah S Bryant

Wm D Bryant

Abra. Rick's  
acct to com<sup>d</sup>.

1850. Feby 19 Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Commisioners appointed to sell  
the Dower land and Negroes of ~~Mr~~ Edith Bryant dec. One Note against John E. Beale  
and others, for the sum of Twenty two dollars fifty eight  $\frac{1}{3}$  cents. due Dec:  
18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of my part of the sale of the land, in right of my Wife  
Edith Maria, daughter of Henry L. Matilda Everitt, and grand Daughter  
of William. and said Edith Bryant.

Test  
Thomas Everitt

Abraham Rich

Louisa E. Bryant

To \$ Receipt  
Commissioners.

1850. Feb 19 Received of Alexander Myrick Esq: One of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of <sup>W<sup>th</sup></sup> Edith Bryant, dec'd, One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Nine dollars 03  $\frac{1}{3}$  cents, due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850, in full of my part of the sale of the land. — also received One Note against William D. Bryant and others, for Twenty dollars Eighty two & half Cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, and Cash six dollars, making \$26:82  $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes.

Witness.

William D Bryant

Louisa E Bryant

Henry H. Parker.  
To  $\frac{5}{3}$  receipt  
Commissioners

1850. Mar 11 Received of Alexander Ellyrick Esq: One of the Commissioners appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of <sup>the</sup> Edith Bryant (deceased), One Note against John E. Beale and others, for Eighteen dollars six  $\frac{2}{3}$  cents. due the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of my part of the sale of the land. in right of my wife; also received One Note against said John E. Beale and others for Forty two dollars and sixty five Cents. bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849, and Cash Eleven dollars, making \$53.65 in full of my part of the sales of the Negroes, in right of my wife. — — —

Notary.

J. H. Harnes.

H. H. Parker

Alexander Cook

To 3 Receipt  
Commissioners

<sup>th</sup>  
1850. Mar 11 Received of Alexander Myrick Esq. One of the Commissioners  
appointed to sell the Dower land and Negroes of est<sup>d</sup>. Edith Bryant dec.  
One note against John E. Beale and others, for Eighteen dollars six &  $\frac{2}{3}$  cents, due  
the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 1850. in full of my part of the sale of the land: also  
received One note against said John E. Beale and others, for Forty two  
dollars and sixty five cents, bearing interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Dec<sup>r</sup>.  
1849. and Cash Eleven Dollars, making \$53.65: in full of my part  
of the sales of the Negroes. all in right of my wife.

Witness.

J<sup>r</sup> Harned

Alexander Cook

Mr J Bryant <sup>Guardian</sup>  
To & rec'd  
Commrs

1850 March 18<sup>th</sup>. Received of Alexander Elmyrick Esq. One of the Comm<sup>rs</sup>  
appointed to sell the lower land and negroes of Mr<sup>s</sup> Edith Bryant dec<sup>d</sup>.  
for Rich<sup>d</sup> L. Bryant. One Note, vs, In<sup>r</sup> C. Neale & others for nine dollars  $\frac{92}{100}$   
due Dec<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1850. in full of his part of the sale of the land. also rec<sup>d</sup>.  
1 Note, vs. myself & others for twenty dollars, eighty two  $\frac{1}{2}$  cents, bearing  
interest from the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Dec<sup>r</sup> 1849. and Cash Six dollars,  
making \$26.82 $\frac{1}{2}$  in full of his part of the sale of the negroes.  
William D Bryant

2193/3 Wm. C. Elmyrick

Wm Everett J. Olney  
note  
\$18.00

due 7 Dec 1841

\$18.00 One day after date we or Either of us do promise  
to pay Vincent ~~the~~ the sum of Eighteen dollars  
it Being ~~the~~ value ~~of~~ him as a ~~truss~~ our  
hand and ~~that~~ this the 7. day of Decr 1841.

W. Chubb  
B. Jones

July 2 1850

Indemnity  
granted by Samuel M. Wells

William Beckett  
John W. Allen (Seal)  
John F. Johnson (Seal)

State of North Carolina

I Lewis H. Carpenter Clerk of the Court of Pleas  
and Quarter Sessions of Hertford County & State aforesaid,  
do Certify That Benjamin C Bryant is at this time  
the Guardian of Sarah F. Bryant & Elizabeth W. C Bryant  
Orphans of James C Bryant dead.

Given under my hand this 25th day of January A.D.  
1850.

L. H. Carpenter Clerk

State of North Carolina

I Lewis M. Cooper Clerk of the Court of Pleas  
& Quarter Sessions of Hertford County & State aforesaid  
do Certify. That James M. Treasurer is at this time  
The Guardian of Henry M. Jaggott, infant Child of  
Francis M. Jaggott.

Given under my hand this, 25th day of January A.D.  
1850.

L. M. Cooper Clerk

(A)

1851 December Term

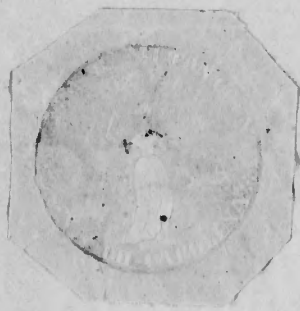
State of North Carolina }  
Northampton County }

I, John B. Adom, Clerk of the  
Court of pleas and Quarter Sessions for North-  
ampton County State aforesaid, do certify that  
William E. Stancell, whose signature appears  
to the within Warrant and that Samuel Pitt,  
whose name appears to the judgment given  
thereon, are and were at the time of signing  
the same two of the acting Justices of the peace  
in and for the County State aforesaid. duly  
Commissioned and qualified according to Law.  
Given under my hand and

seal of Office at Jackson  
This 7th day of November A.D  
1851 and in the 76th year of  
American Independence

John B. Adom C.C.C.

13 Ck fee for certificate 25<sup>cts</sup> paid by Sept 2<sup>d</sup> F. Johnson



February 11<sup>th</sup> 1850 Recd of John Allen  
fourteen Dollars 4/00 cts in part of the  
wtd in Execd William J Deloatch Const

John B Adam adm

~~This is to certify~~  
vs

Wm Court Not to  
Reopen in the Court

John Allen  
John F Johnson  
Executed By

Wm J Deloatch  
Const

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1850 Judgment granted the Plaintiff  
the sum of eighteen dollars with int from the  
day of Dec 1841 and cost one dollar given  
under my hand and seal Const Wm J Deloatch  
At the same time execute and sell a judgment  
to have to satisfy the above Judgment given  
by Const Wm J Deloatch

February 26 Recd of John J Gordon fourteen  
Dollars and 11/00 cts in full of the  
above Execution Wm J Deloatch Const

State of North Carolina,  
*Northampton* COUNTY.

To any Constable or sworn officer, to execute and return within 30 days (Sundays excepted.)

You are hereby commanded to arrest the body of *Mr. Court and*  
*John Allen and John F. Johnson*

if to be found in your county, so that you have ~~them~~ <sup>felony</sup> before me or some other Justice of the  
Peace for said county, on the *1 Saturday at Granville* in the town  
of ~~Jackson~~, then and there to answer *to John B. Adam gdm of N. Powell de*

in an action of debt due by *Vote* to the amount of *one hundred* dollars or less. Herein  
fail not, and have you then and there this writ. Given under my hand and seal, this the

*29* day of *January* 18*80*  
Summon for Plaintiff *B. Wicks*

Summon for Defendant

*Wm. E. Harrell* J. P.

Know all men by these Presents that we the  
Subscribers herunto and Holders and, firmly bound  
to Thos. B. Wornell, Alexander Myrick & John  
J. Keindred (Comrs. appointed by the county  
Court of Southampton in Chancery sitting to  
sell and divide the dower estate both real  
and personal whereof the late Edith Bryant  
died seized and possessed among, the distribu-  
tees entitled, under said decree to said estate)  
in the sum of Seven hundred, and, seventeen  
dollars sixteen and, two thirds cents for the  
payment- whereof we bind ourselves and, our  
heirs severally and, jointly -  
Sealed, with our seals & dated, this 18th day of  
March 1850.

The condition of the above obligation is such  
that- whereas the said, Wornell, Myrick and Kein-  
dred have paid to the said distributees the whole  
amount- to which they are entitled, of said estate  
as distributees of ~~Distributes~~ Davis Bryant- decd.  
to wit- the sum of Three hundred and, fifty eight-  
dollars & fifty eight- and, one third cents.

Now if the said distributees shall, refund an  
sufficient- sum to satisfy any debts or other legal  
demands which may hereafter appear against- the  
estate of said, Davis Bryant- and, the costs attending  
the recovery of such debts or demands then this ob-  
ligation is to be void otherwise to remain in full  
force and, virtue.

Lewis Thompson *(seal)*  
Wm D Bryant *(seal)*  
Peter Connor *(seal)*  
Louisa E Bryant *(seal)*  
Lept. S Bryant *(seal)*

Henry J Bryant Esq for self  
& Catherine E & Joh W Bryant

Wm D Bryant seal as guardian for  
Richard L Bryant

Gravette Esq of Selia Williams Esq

March 1850  
The Court of Sessions of the County of York  
do hereby certify that the within and  
underwritten is a true and correct  
copy of the original of the within and  
underwritten as the same appears from  
the records of the Court of Sessions of  
the County of York and is so certified  
by the Clerk of the said Court of Sessions  
this 18th day of March 1850

The Court of Sessions of the County of York  
do hereby certify that the within and  
underwritten is a true and correct  
copy of the original of the within and  
underwritten as the same appears from  
the records of the Court of Sessions of  
the County of York and is so certified  
by the Clerk of the said Court of Sessions  
this 18th day of March 1850

The Court of Sessions of the County of York  
do hereby certify that the within and  
underwritten is a true and correct  
copy of the original of the within and  
underwritten as the same appears from  
the records of the Court of Sessions of  
the County of York and is so certified  
by the Clerk of the said Court of Sessions  
this 18th day of March 1850

Henry J Bryant Esq  
Catherine E Bryant  
Joh W Bryant  
Wm D Bryant  
Richard L Bryant  
Gravette Esq  
Selia Williams Esq

Know all men by these presents that we Thomas B McOrrell. Alexander Myrick John F Kendrick & William Myrick. John E Beale are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia in the just and full sum of five thousand dollars

to the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs. executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas by a decree of the County Court of Southampton pronounced on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 1849 in a suit in chancery therein depending between Benjamin Bryant (Orman Bryant Plaintiffs and John E Beale & wife Lydia Jethers Defendants. the above named McOrrell. Myrick. & Kendrick Jethers

were appointed Commissioners for the purposes set forth in the said decree.

Now if the said McOrrell. Myrick & Kendrick shall faithfully discharge their duties as such Commissioners under the decree aforesaid then the above obligation to be void or else to remain in full force and effect.

Witness

Wm J. Kendrick (Seal)  
A Myrick (Seal)  
Thos B McOrrell (Seal)  
John E Beale (Seal)

In the Clerk's Office of Southampton County Court the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849

This day William Myrick John E Beale Security to the above bond made oath that his estate after the payment of all his just debts is worth the sum the above bond -

John E Beale

Subscribed & sworn to before me this day of 3  
year aforesaid 3