1853-033 SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY CHANCERY PAPERS REESE'S EXECUTORS VS. REESE et al

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Reese

Bill &c. Amr

Reese

1851 Nov. Discussed

1852 Feby. Report.

Mar. 1. Confirmed

1853 Mar. Dave amended

Reese's Cert.

Bill, amend &c

Reese &c

To the worshipfull county court of Southampton sitting in chancery.

Humbly complaining sheweth unto your worships, your complainants Mark T. Pete and Edward P. Turner, that in the year 1850 Sampson C. Reese of this county departed this life after having made his last will and testament which has been admitted to probat by this court (a copy of which is herewith filed & prayed to be taken as a part of this bill. Your compltts state that they were left executors to the will of said deceased. They allege that their testator left a widow, and three children under the age of 21 years. They further allege by the provisions of said will they were clothed with authority to sell the real estate of their testator and after paying the widow May Reese the sum of $2000. and giving her the use of ⅓ of the negroes for her life, the balance of the state belonged to the three children. They state that they have made sale of all the real estate, but they are not prepared to say whether the have funds sufficient to pay the debts of the state. They further allege that amongst the negroes, there is a negro man by name Ben who is thievish and refractory and they believe it will be greatly to the interests of all parties to sell the said

slave. They therefore pray this court to decree a sale of said slave.
But so it is this cannot be done without the aid of a court of Equity, where such matters are peculiarly cognizable. To the end that the said May Rene in her own person and the infant children Helen D. Walter J. and Rora Rene by some fit and proper person appointed their guardian ad litem may be made parties to this bill and true answers make to the allegations herein contained and grant them such other general and special relief as the nature of their case requires and equity dictates & as in duty bound they will ever pray &c

Prince for Compl.

The answer of May Rene to the foregoing bill of complaint.

This respondent saving &c for answer says that she does not gainsay any of the allegations contained in said bill, nor object to the decree prayed for & having answered prays hence to be dismissed &c

Mary Rene

The answer of Helen D. Walter J. & Rora Rene by L. R. Edwards their guardian ad litem.

These defendants say they are infants under years that they know nothing of the allegations of the bill and throw themselves upon the protection of this court.

Rene's Exrs &c
vs:
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Decree

The court doth appoint L. R. Edwards guardian ad litem to the infants Helen D. Walter J. & Rora Rene whereupon this cause was docketed by consent of parties and with the assent of the court came on to be heard on the bill, answer, exhibit and arguments of counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth adjudge, order and decree that M. T. Pate & Edward P. Turner Exrs of S. C. Rene sell to the highest bidder for ready money the negro man Ben, which S. C. Rene died possessed of in the bill mentioned. That out of the proceeds they pay the costs of this suit & expenses of sale, and the balance transfer to their executorial accounts, and make report to court.

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This day this cause come on again to be heard on the papers formerly read and the report of Comrs and was argued by counsel, the court confirming said report doth adjudge, order and decree that Mark T. Peters one of the Exrs of S. C. Reese dec'd pay to Mary Reese the sum of $125.40/100 dollars being 1/6 of the nett amount of sale of negro man Ben. it being in lieu of said Mary Reese's dower interest in said negro.

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Sales of Mon Bon

belonging to Est Rem Est

$ 752.42

An acct sales of negro Man Ben sold by an order of Court, &
by Mark T Peete & Edward P Turner Executors of Tompson & Reese decs.

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Janry	21	Man Ben sold in Richmond, Va at auction after deducting necessary expences for said sale	752,	42

The above is a correct statement
M T Peete &
Edward P Turner Executors
of Tompson & Reese decs