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SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

TURNER and Wife VS. REESE

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Turner & wife

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To the worshipful The county Court of South-
ampton, in Chancery sitting.

Humly complaining
Shall sets your worship, your complainants. Edward
J. Turner and Helen B. his wife. That your humble
complainants, has intermarried with E. J. Turner,
and she and her sister Rosa Turner, only
children of S. G. Turner and - are jointly indebted
to sundry slaves now in the possession of Joseph W.
Turner - That they agree to have their half of
the slaves allotted to them, but the division
can not properly be made without the aid
of this court, on account of the infancy of
Rosa Turner.

The consideration whereof is - and in as
much as your orders are without remedy &
therefore, they beg your worship
to make Rosa Turner, an infant of seven
years, by some fit person to defend her, left
to this will - That your will agree a division
of the slaves, in this bill mentioned, according
to Law & the rights of the parties. & grant such
other and general relief as Equity may dictate.
and they will ever pray. &c.

E. J. Turner & wife
by their Att.

Assume of Rosa Ruse an infant. by J. H. Prince
her Guardian ad litem to the foregoing bill -

This defendant, admits the facts contained
in the bill to be true - she has no objection to the
question being for, but being an infant, submits
her interest to the protection of the court, and having
assumed many to be her assumptions - -

Edward J. Linn & Helen D. his wife

Plffs.

vs.

Rosa Ruse, by J. H. Prince her Guardian ad litem.

On motion, Joseph H. Prince
is appointed Guardian ad litem to the infant defendant.
Rosa Ruse, who thereupon filed her answer, and the
cause was this day docketed by consent, and caused
an order to be heard on the bill, answer of the defendant, repli-
cation thereto and was argued by counsel. On consid-
eration whereof the court with advisory, oral & acru-
that Thos. B. Powell, Ed. B. Coland ^{James H. Person} & Geo. A. Person
who are appointed counsel for the purpose, ^{and then to act} divide
the slaves, belonging to the Plaintiffs & Defendants, into
two lots, of as nearly equal value as practicable, and
assign one half to the Plaintiffs and the other half
to the Defendant, and how they shall act in the
premises, report to court, in case to a final decree -

Turner & wife
vs } Geo. Deane
Reed

Turner & wife
vs } Comrs Report
Reed

1856 January

Southampton County Court. October Term 1855.

Edwin J. Turner & Helen B. his wife
against
Rosa Reese

Defts: } In Chancery
Deft. }

On motion Joseph H. Prince is appointed guardian ad litem to the infant Defendant Rosa Reese, who thereupon filed her answer, and the cause was this day docketed by consent and came on to be heard on the bill, answer of the Defendant, replication thereto and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that Thomas B. Powell, Edw. B. Cland, James H. Person and Jas. A. Person, who are appointed Commissioners for the purpose, any three to act - divide the slaves, belonging to the Plaintiffs and defendant into two lots, at as nearly equal value as practicable, and assign one half to the Plaintiffs and the other half to the Defendant - and how they shall act in the matter report to the Court in order to a final decree.

Attest

Teste

L. R. Edwards Clk

In obedience to the above decree we proceeded on 28th December 1855, to divide the slaves mentioned in said decree into two lots. Valuation of all the slaves -

\$10637.50

Each lot worth

\$5318.75

Edwin J. Turner in right of his wife Helen D. drew the following lot

Rosa Reese's lot

Names of negroes	Valuation	Names of negroes	Valuation
Allen	\$1000.	Dick	\$975.00
Henry	500.	Ephraim	500.
Harry	250.	Peter	250.
Jane	350.	Dolly & child	837.50
Bob	200.	Anna	650.00
Eliza and child	825.	Jeffer	375.00
Margaret	650.	Tom	600.00
Lucretia	150.	Fanny	750.00
Hester	400.	Lucy	100.00
Lewis	900.	Amos	375.00
	<u>\$5225</u>		<u>\$5412.50</u>
To receive from the lot to Rosa Reese	93.75	To pay to the lot drawn by Edwin J. Turner	93.75
	<u>\$5318.75</u>		<u>\$5318.75</u>

Respectfully submitted

O. B. Land
John A. Person
J. H. Person.