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CLEMENTS, ux VS. PRINCE, al

4/1857

other SURNAMES: Grizzard

Clemens Louis

&

Theresa

1836 Dec. Dimissoriales

1837 Feby. Rept.

" Apl. " Consum.

To the worshipfull Court of Chancery for the County of Southampton

Humbly complaining sheweth unto your worships your Complainant Eliza Prince Widow and Mary his wife formerly Prince that some years since the father of your female Complainant Wm Prince died upon having published his last will & testament a copy of which is hereunto filed marked (A) and prayed to be taken as a part of this bill - That the widow of her said late husband renounced the provision made for her by the said will and took her dower in the slaves & land of which he died seized, that the said slaves remaining after allowing to the widow her dower, came to your Complt Mary Prince and her brothers & sisters Wm Prince Martha who has since married with Ino H Drigon and Rosa G. James D & Andrew J Prince the last three of whom are infants under your age - That the said Wm Prince & Martha Drigon have had their shares of said slaves allotted to them and your female Complainant having recently married desires that her share of said slaves may be now allotted to her

In tender consideration of all which and inasmuch as they are without remedy in the premises except in a Court of Equity May it please that Wm Prince Ino H Drigon & Martha his wife Rosa G, James D, & Andrew J Prince may be made parties to this bill & answer the allegations thereof, that some fit & proper person may be appointed guardian ad litem to the infant parties and that their proportion of said slaves may be allotted to your Complt and as in duty bound they will ever pray &c

Thos Hill Mosely

for Complt

The answer of Wm Prince, Jno H Swazey & Mary his wife to the above bill of complaint

These Defts saving & reserving &c for answer to the said bill answer, say that the facts therein stated are true and same answered they pray may be dismissed

Chambliss & Mayo p.q.
for Defts

The answer of Rosa I, James B, & Andrew J Prince infants by L H Edwards their guardian ad litem to the above bill of complaint

These Defts saving & reserving &c say that they believe the facts stated in the bill are true herein, insofar as they concern their rights to the protection of the court

Chambliss & Mayo p.q.
for Defts

Clements & wife
vs
Prince &c

This day this cause came on to be heard on the bill & answers and was argued by counsel on consideration whereof the court doth adjudge order and decree that Saml Brown James E Poteat & Robt Bowden who are hereby appointed special commissioners for that purpose allot to Leon J Clements & Mary his wife one fourth in value of the shares of which Wm Prince died seized not included in the dower of his widow and report to court

Clements Griffith

& Co. Bacon

Prince Geo

1857 Feby

Southampton County Court December 15th 1856.

George T Clements & Mary his wife formerly Prince Pffs.

against

William Prince John H Griggard & wife & others Defts. } In Chancery

This day this cause came on to be heard on the bill and answers and was argued by Counsel On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that Samuel Drewry James E Peters & Robert Rowland who are hereby appointed Special Commissioners for the purpose allot to George T. Clements & Mary his wife one fourth in value of the Slaves of which William Prince died seized not included in the dower of his widow and report to Court

Absent

Test. L R Edwards Cc

In Obedience to the above decree we the Commissioners therein named proceeded to value and divide the slaves named in the decree as directed

Value of Man Rufus		$800
" " "	Burr	600
" " woman	Patsey	200
" " "	Susan and Child Betsey	1100
" " boy	Silas	900
" " "	John	800
		4400
	1/4 of Value	1100

allotted to Geo. T. Clements and Mary his wife Susan and Child Betsey at $1100 Value

Respectfully Submitted

Jas E Peters
Jam's Drewry
Robt Rowland Commrs