William Mumford who sues for the benefit of himself and all other creditors of Richard Parker dec'd — Plaintiff — In Chancery

against

Wm. B. Clay admr. Richard Parker dec'd & Eliza Parker, Jno. B. Higgins & Mary his wife, Martha Higgins, Alice S. Ann Eliza & Richard Thomas, Catharine C. & Robert S. Parker — Defendants

Martha V. Parker, Richard M. Parker, Sofa T. Parker, Orlin C. Parker, Ann Eliza Parker, Alice S. Parker, Robert J. Parker & John B. Higgins & Mary his wife the first seven being infants under the age of twenty one years suing by John B. Higgins their next friend — Plaintiffs — Bill taken for

against

Wm. B. Clay admr of Richard Parker dec'd — Defendant

The first of the above causes came on the Hearing on the Complainants Bill taken for confessed as to the absent Defendants & on the answer of the Infant Defendants by their guardian ad litem & the complainants exceptions to said answers & on the exhibits filed with said Bill & on a commission & depositions read & the second of the above causes came on this day to be heard on the Bill of the Complainants & exhibits filed thereto & on the answer of the Defendant this day filed & with exhibits thereto & on a commission & depositions read & on both of the said causes coming on to be heard together were argued by Counsel On Consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge order & decree that an issue be tried at the Bar of this Court to which issue shall be whether Richard Parker in his life time & previous to the 2nd instt of Jesse Parker Senior had made to Eliza Clay & Lucian Clay an Improved negro named & worked & manufactured by said slaves for the benefit of Jesse Parker Senior previous to the death of said Jesse Parker Senior

Amos Summerell — Plaintiff — Bill dismissed

against

Wm. H. Summerell admr with the will annexed of Jos. F. W. Summerell dec'd Samuel B. Kello, Georg. E. Summerell, Stephen Andrews & Eliza his wife, Richard H. & Daniel & Caroline his wife & Martha V. & John Strong & Louisa Andrews, Louisa A. Bennett & Sedonia Summerell Defts

This cause coming on to be heard upon the Bill of the Plaintiff & appears to have been duly served on the Defendants, Geo. E. Summerell, Stephen Andrews & Eliza his wife, Richard H. & Daniel & Caroline his wife & Martha V. & John H. & Louisa Andrews, Louisa A. Bennett & Sedonia Summerell who are sworn to the Commencement of the original bill against absent Defendants and they not further entering to appear & answer Come in the Day & hour & the Bill of which has been taken for confessed as to the Defendant Saml. B. Kello & the answer of Wm. H. Summerell Executor with the will annexed of Jos. F. W. Summerell dec'd filed the Day of the issue of the Court the amount of the interrogatories of the Defendants by L. R. Edwards their guardian ad Litem & general replication thereto & the exhibits filed & were argued by Counsel whereupon & on the Bill & answer & exhibits & depositions & on the whole matter the Court doth adjudge order & decree that the true construction of the Will of the said Jos. F. W. Summerell dec'd is as follows: That the said testator by the first clause of said Will hath devised to his said wife the whole of his estate during her life for her benefit that he gave her the right to dispose of two thousand dollars thereof at her pleasure, also the Legacy of $1000 in Treasury Notes that he gave her the right to dispose of one