

1895-030 Chancery Cause: Sallie F. Bowser, by v c vs James A. Bowser

Dob of Wright County

other surnames: Kelly,
Vick

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of Isle of Wight County, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON *James A. Bower*

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight county, at Rules to be holden for the said Court, on the first Monday in *March 1887*, next, to answer *the Bill in Chancery of Sallie A. Bower, suing by Martha Kelly her next friends*

of a plea of _____ for \$ _____ Damages \$ _____ And have then there this writ.

Witness, N. P. YOUNG, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, the *7th* day of *March* 188*7*, in the *111th* year of the Commonwealth.

N. P. Young clk.

By order of the Judge of the County Court of Lee of the right
County, the defendant, James Bowers, is enjoined and restrained
from becoming or interfering with the children of said
J. Bowers named in the bill, and also from interfering
with or molesting in any way, the said said J. Bowers
until the further order of the Circuit Court of Lee of the right
County.

Not,
A. J. Young etc

Sallie F. Bowers for
friend.

or, } Sent in
} Chex

Geo. A. Bowers

To Marsh Rules 1887.

J. A. & C. J. Kilms for

It is ordered by receiving
to the Court. Geo. A. Bowers
Geo. A. Bowers alone
Copy of the Court's decision
as made on 1st 1887.

Geo. A. Edwards

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To the Hon. Judge of the Circuit-Court-
for the county of Dale of Wright:

Complaining sheweth
unto the court your oratrix Sallie F. Bowser
(wife of James A. Bowser) who sues by
Northa Kelly her next friend, that
she is now twenty-five years old. at
the age of eighteen she left her mother's,
Jennett Vick; home and married the
said James A. Bowser, and since that
time has been to him a constant,
faithful and dutiful wife and has born
him three children, viz; Fletcher
four years old John Three and a half
years old and "Baby" two years old.
Your oratrix's husband has on the
other hand been negligent and at times
insufferably abusive and cruel to her,
beating and choking her; but that your
oratrix tried to bear it all as best she
could and remained with him, doing
her best as a faithful wife, and is
still remaining with him, however
under protest now because she is actually
afraid to leave his home and go to
the home of her mother which is
always open to receive her and which
she wishes to do, taking with her children
because she thinks her said husband unfit

to have the care of children of such tender years. Your oratrix's husband the said James A. Bowser has not only treated her with cruelty but he has broken his marriage vows and has committed adultery with one Mollie Jordan who has recently moved into a tenement house about one hundred yards from where your oratrix & her said husband reside, where your oratrix's said husband spends almost all of his nights. That the said James A. Bowser has lately hidden your oratrix to take her children from his home forever, but that she is afraid to do so without the protection of this honorable court because once before he has bidden her do the same thing which she did moving to the home of her mother; but her said husband, James A. Bowser pursued and beat her unmercifully and forced her back to his home where she has been compelled to live ever since. That your oratrix's marriage with said James A. Bowser was celebrated in the County of Isle of Wight and your oratrix and her said husband now reside in said County in the State of Virginia

In tender consideration whereof and forasmuch
as your oratrix is remediless in the premises
sare in a court of equity where matters of
this sort - are done and properly cognizable
she prays that the said James A. Bowser be
made a party defendant to this bill and
required to swear the same on his oath,
that he may be enjoined and restrained
from interfering with or in any way
molesting your oratrix and her children,
that your oratrix may be divorced from
him a vinculo matrimonii and her
said children left permanently in her
custody; that a fee may be allowed
J. H. Nelson attorney for bringing and con-
ducting this suit - out of the estate of
the said James A. Bowser & decree
be rendered against him for the amount
of fifty dollars to pay the same:
that all such other, further and
general relief may be granted your
oratrix as the nature of her case
may require and to equity may seem
meet: And your oratrix will ever
pray &c.

Sallie ^{his} F. Bowser
_{mark}

State of Virginia:

County of Shelby - To wit:

I, J. H. Nelson a Commissioner for the in

Chancery for the County Court of Shrop-
shire County in the State of Virginia
Do certify that Sallie F. Bowser whose
name is signed to the above writing
has made oath before me in my
said County that the statements contained
in said bill so far as are made on
her own knowledge are true, and so
far as are made on her information
obtained from others she believes
them to be true. Given under my
hand this 20th day of February 1887.

J. H. Nelson
Clerk in Chancery

An injunction is awarded to restrain and
restrain the defendant, James A. Bowser
from removing or interfering with the
children of Sallie F. Bowser named in
the above bill, and also from interfering
with or molesting in any way the said
Sallie F. Bowser, until the further order
of the ~~court~~ Circuit Court of Shrop-
shire County.

March 4-87

George Harrison County Judge
of Shropshire County

Bowser Lallie F
m. rest fund

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Bowser James A.
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Compliments bill &  
rejunction.

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March Rules 1887.  
Bill filed, Secut. of de. &  
decrece nisi.

Apr. Rules 1887. Bill taken  
for conf. & set for hearing.

April Term 1895  
Final  
(5 year clause)