

1920 - 005

Chancery Causes

Isle of Wight County

Stringfield
Petition

N. Stringfield, Charles H. Stringfield & Mary V.
vs Emma F. Scott, L. H. Scott, W. E. Council & al
V. W. Joyner

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Petition

B. P. Chapman & Son

Petition

Lucy Council, by & c

Petition

L. H. Scott, John

Other SURNAMES: MORRISON
Langhorn Chapman, Cox,
Goodrich, Whitmore,
Seward Weed, Warren,
Wright, [Cowling & Hart],
[P. D. Gwaltney, Junior & Company],
Berryman, Cowling, Hart,
Gwaltney, Parker, Langhorne

of Wight January 4th. 1909.

W. E. Council et als.

vs) Chancery

Stringfield et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, and it appearing to the Court that taxes have accrued, become due and payable upon the amounts deposited in the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, to the credit of Alice Stringfield and Eva Stringfield, respectively; and that such taxes will accrue, become due and payable from time to time hereafter, the court doth adjudge, order and decree that R. E. Boykin and R. S. Thomas, or either of them, who have heretofore been appointed special commissioners in this cause, do check upon the said several amounts so deposited to the credit of the said infants as aforesaid for the amount of taxes due thereon and do pay the same to the treasurer of the county of Isle of Wight.

And the Court doth further adjudge, order and decree that the said Special Commissioners, or either of them, shall, from time to time, as and when the taxes shall become due and payable on the said several amounts, check upon the same, and pay the said taxes to the said treasurer.

A copy,

Teste, *R. S. Thomas* C.C.

*Clerk fees up to and including this
decree \$4.11*

Circuit Court of the County of Long Worth.

W. E. Burnett et al

v

Stringfellow et al

To The Hon. B. D. White.

Judge of the Circuit Court of the County
of Long Worth - in Chancery sitting.

The undersigned
Special Commissioner in this case has the
honor to report that he has under the order of
this honorable court ^{of January 4th 1909} paid to the County of Long
Worth the sum of

2.73

and to R. S. Johnson ~~and~~ clerk fees

4.11

amounting in the whole to

\$ 6 84

as will appear by the Tax-Bill
of 1907, & the receipt of the said clerk hereto
attached as a part of this report & begged to be re-
-ken as a part thereof.

The undersigned begs, specially to
report - that he has never had a particle of personal
or professional interest - in this cause: that his act
conduct - and aid was purely friendly & gratuitous to
the late R. E. Boykin: that he does not wish to have
any further connection with it and he therefore begs
to be relieved & to have some one else appointed in his
name, place, & stead as Special Commissioner

Respectfully Submitted

R. S. Johnson

Spec. Commissioner

Jan 23rd 1909.

Mr.

1907.

SMITHFIELD

DP.

No. 50

To B. L. ROBERTS, Treasurer of Isle of Wight County, Virginia.

STATE TAXES.

No.	STATE TAXES.				County Levy.	General County Road Tax.	District Road Tax	Poor Tax	General County School Tax.	District School Tax.	TOTAL TAX.
	State Tax Support Gov. 20c. on \$100. R. E. and P. P. Schedule B.	State Tax Support Gov. 25c. on \$100. P. P. Sched. C	State School Tax 10c. on \$100. R. E. & P. P. Sched. B. & C	State Tax for Pensions 5c. on \$100. R. E. & P. P. Schedule B.							
To..... acres, value \$					22 1/2 c. on \$100	2 1/2 c. on \$100	7 1/2 c. on \$100	7 1/2 c. on \$100	10c. on \$100	15c. on \$100	
To..... acres, value \$											
To..... acres, value \$											
To..... acres, value \$											
Personal property, sched. B. val. \$											
Personal Property, sched. C. val. \$ 279		95	38		86						
Value. - - - \$											
Income, 1 per cent.											
Capitation 150											150
Total											256
5 per cent. penalty added Dec. 1, 1907											17
Total											273
Interest after June 15, from Dec. 15, 1907, 6 per cent.											
Received payment 13 day of Jan. 1909											

This Account bears interest from Dec. 15th 1907 until

paid.

Amount Tax

Amount Interest at 6%

Total Tax and Interest

Paid

1908

Treasurer.

Per

B. L. Roberts

Account-Cont. of The County of Long Wash-

W. E. Bernick et al
v.

Stringfield et al

^{for 1907}
Facts, is signed v. Guardian of

Evat Alice Stringfield

2.78

Books for up to, & including January
4th 1909.

4.11
6.84

W. E. Connel et al
V. Chaney.
Springfield et al

Report of
R. S. Hoar as
the Comr
Jan'y 23^d 1909

W. E. Connel

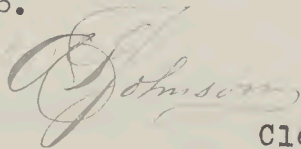
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THE BANK OF SWITZERLAND

THE BANK OF SMITHFIELD.

Certificate of deposit No. 774, dated April 24th/1903, payable
to the order of Alice Stringfield, mailed to Mr. A. S. Barrett,
cashier of the Bank of Smithfield upon the request of Judge R. E.
Boykin this date, June 16th. 1906.

Teste,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Johnson", written in dark ink.

Clerk.

I hereby acknowledge having received of N. F. Young, Clerk of the Circuit court of Isle of Wight County, the certificate of deposit Number 776, of the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, delivered to me under a decree of the said Court, rendered June 22nd. 1903. Special term.

W. E. Council

FINE PRINTING A SPECIALTY.

Smithfield, Va., Jan. 5th 1903

Rep. R. E. Boykin & R. S. Thomas, Special Commissioners
BOUGHT OF J. W. JOHNSON, JR.,

—DEALER IN—

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES,
TOBACCO, CIGARS, CONFECTIONERY, FRUITS.

CORNER MAIN & CHURCH STREETS.

To Printing Notices for
the sale of land
in suit of Stringfield
et al. vs. Council, et al. } \$1.75

Paid
J. W. Johnson Jr

adv Sale

R. E. BOYKIN,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

Jan'y 20-1909. Recd of R. E. Boykin Thirty one Dollars
and Forty one cents - being amount of Judg-
ment - Principal, interest and costs. And also
five Dollars of B. P. Chapman & Son v Emma
F. Scott.

B. P. Chapman & Son

\$50.00

January 5 - 1903
Mr R. E. Boykin
Attorney at law
Smithfield Va

Dear sir

Please pay to
R. H. Willeford ^{or} his wife
or heirs out of what money
you have or may have in
hands from proceeds of
sale of farm the sum
of Fifty dollars with
interest from December
29th 1900

And oblige Yours
Very Respectfully

E. F. Scott
L. S. Scott

Stungfield

Va

Scott

\$50

January 19th-1900

on the first day of December
1900 we promise to pay to
Reed H. Wilford or his heirs
the sum of fifty Dollars with
interest from date for value
received without effort. we
hereby waive the benefit of
the Homestead Exemption as
to the debt evidenced by this
Bond

Witness our hands and seal this
January 19th-1900

E. F. Scott

(Seal)

(Seal)

E. F. Scott

ment.

Nov 4-1903. Recd of R. E. Boykin & R. S. Thomas
Specimen books in Stringfield class & School
Four Dollars & Eight Two Cents - being amt paid
by me on taxes.
ampt through R. E. Boykin

J. N. Stringfield.

Collect this amt from
Emil.

Mr. J. J. Stringfield's Est.
 1902,

Hardy District,

No. 669

To B. L. ROBERTS, Treasurer of Isle of Wight County, Va., Dr.

SUBJECTS OF TAXATION.	State Tax, 30c. on \$100.	State School Tax, 10c. on \$100.	County Levy, 30c. on \$100.	County School Tax, 5c. on \$100.	District School Tax, 5c. on \$100.	County Road Tax, 1cc. on \$100.	County Poor Tax, 10c. on \$100.	TOTAL TAX.
To <u>76 2/3</u> acres Land value \$ <u>773.</u>	<u>2 32</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>2 82</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>77</u>	
" <u>106 2/3</u> acres Land value \$ <u>1800</u>	<u>3 40</u>	<u>1 80</u>	<u>3 40</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>1 80</u>	<u>1 80</u>	
" ----- acres Land, value \$ -----								
" ----- acres Land, value \$ -----								
" Personal Property, value \$ -----								
" Capitation Taxes -----	<u>1 00</u>			<u>50</u>				
" Income ----- \$ -----								
Total -----								<u>25 71</u>
5 per cent. additional, December 1, 1902 -----								<u>1 29</u>
Total -----								<u>27 00</u>

PAID
 FEB 11 1903
 B. L. ROBERTS,
 Treas. ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY.
 Per... B. L. Roberts

Received payment day of

..... Treasurer

Per.....

Mr. *J. J. Stringfield* Est., Hardy District.
1901

No. *686*

To JOHN W. ROBERTS, Treasurer of Isle of Wight County, Va., Dr.

SUBJECTS OF TAXATION	State Tax, 30c. on \$100.	State School Tax, 10c. on \$100.	County Levy, 25c. on \$100.	County School Tax, 10c. on \$100.	District School Tax, 1-2c. on \$100.	County Road Tax, 10c. on \$100.	County Poor Tax, 10c. on \$100.	TOTAL TAX.
To <i>76 2/3</i> acres Land, value \$ <i>775-</i>	<i>2 32</i>	<i>7 76</i>	<i>19 41</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>77</i>		
" <i>11 6 1/2</i> acres Land, value \$ <i>1800</i>	<i>5 40</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>467</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>180</i>	
" _____ acres Land, value \$ _____								
" _____ acres Land, value \$ _____								
" Personal Property, value \$ _____								
" Capitation Taxes _____	<i>1 00</i>							
" Income _____ \$ _____								
Total _____	<i>7 76</i>	<i>257</i>	<i>644</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>257</i>	<i>257</i>	<i>2319</i>
5 per cent. additional, December 1, 1901 _____								<i>116</i>
Total _____								<i>2435</i>

PAID
FEB 11 1903
B. L. ROBERTS,
Treas. ISLE WIGHT COUNTY,
Per... *B. L. Roberts*

Recd. from J. J. Stringfield
402
Treasurer

Received payment _____ day of _____ 190 _____

Per _____

JJ Stringfield
Est

R. E. BOYKIN,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

Jany 13th 1903. Received of R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas,Special Com-
missioners in the suit of Stringfield et als Vs Council et als,the
sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Dollars and Twenty Seven
and One Half cents,being our distributive shares of the proceeds of
the sale of the real estate,in the bill and proceedings of said
suit mentioned,the said amount being paid to us by being credited
to J.N.Stringfield and Charles H.Stringfield,in part payment of the
purchase price of the said land,in pursuance of our petiton filed
in said,suit,and a decree entered therein on the 9th day of Jany
1903.

J.N. Stringfield
C.H. Stringfield
Mary E Stringfield

1897 Apr 10 - Dinner for brother
1897 Apr 11 " M. F. Langhorne
1897 Apr 12 Dinner for brother
1898 Apr 12 " M. F. Langhorne

1899 M. F. Langhorne
Apr 12 - Dinner for brother
1899 M. F. Langhorne

Oct 10 " for brother
1900 M. F. Langhorne

Apr 12 " for brother
M. F. Langhorne

1901 By check

Dinner for brother
M. F. Langhorne

1901 May 4 By check one hundred
dollars - M. F. Langhorne

May 20th Paid Six Hun-
dred and Five Dollars and
fifty one cents in full
of this bond paid by R. F.
Boykin & R. S. Thomas, Special
Comrs in Springfield as
per receipt of do.

M. F. Langhorne

James J. Stringfield (1841-1911)

R. E. BOYKIN,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

Stringfield et als.

vs. In Chancery.

Council et als. Statement X, made at Bar

Amount of Bond, of J.J. Stringfield, payable to M.F.

Langhorne, upon which interest was regularly

paid to April 10th 1900.	800.00
Interest from April 10th 1900 to April 10th 1901.	<u>48.00</u>
Amount due April 10th 1901	848.00
By cash paid April 10th 1901	<u>200.00</u>
Balance due April 10th 1901	648.00
Int to May 4th 1901.	<u>2.59</u>
	650.59
By cash paid	<u>100.00</u>
Balance due May 4th 1901.	\$550. ⁵⁹ ~~00~~

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Strinfield et als.
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Statement X.

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Council et als.
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Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

The undersigned R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas, special Commissioners under the decree herein of January 9th 1903, respectfully reports to Court; that in obedience to said decree they collected and received of and from J.N.Stringfield and Chas H.Stringfield Twenty Nine Hundred and Eighty Nine Dollars and Seventy Two and one half Cents (\$2989.721/2), being the amount of the purchase price of the land in the bill and proceedings of said suit mentioned, after first crediting the said purchase price with the shares of J.N. Stringfield, Chas H.Stringfield and Mary E.Stringfield in the proceeds of sale of the said land, and thereupon executed and delivered to the said J.N.Stringfield and Chas H.Stringfield a good and sufficient deed in fee simple for the tract of land aforesaid.

That your Commissioners, in further obedience to the said decree, have distributed the said sum of Twenty Nine Hundred and Eighty Nine Dollars and Seventy Two and one half Cents (\$2989.721/2) among the parties entitled thereto as by said decree directed; depositing the shares of the infant defendants Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield in the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield Virginia, to the credit of this cause.

A statement of the said distribution, with the receipts of the parties for the said payments, together with said certificates of deposit are herewith filed as a part of this report. All which is respectfully submitted.

R. E. Boykin

R. S. Thomas

} Special Commissioners
Stringfield et als Vs.
Council et als.

Statement of Distribution of the proceeds of sale of the lands of J.J.Stringfield, deceased, made by R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas, Special Commissioners, under the decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, entered in the suit of Stringfield, et als, Vs Council et als, on the 9th day of January 1903, with the receipt of the parties thereto attached.

By purchase price of land		4210.00	
" hand bills, Paid		1.75	
" Auctioneer "	<i>Paid R. A. Edwards</i>	10.00	
Coms \$300 at 2 %	<i>Paid R. E. Boykin & R. S. Thomas</i>	15.00	
" on \$3910. at 2 %	<i>" R. E. Boykin & R. S. Thomas</i>	78.20	
" Clerks fees	<i>" Mr. J. Young</i>	13.58	
" Sheriffs fees	<i>" Paid R. A. Edwards</i>	2.00	
Commissioner Atkinson	<i>" Paid. Mr. R. Atkinson</i>	7.50	
Attys fee & Writ tax	<i>" Paid R. E. Boykin</i>	16.50	
Attys fee allowed	<i>" " R. E. Boykin</i>	200.00	
" fee for deed and Notary	<i>" R. E. Boykin</i>	10.50	
" Gdn ad litem	<i>" Paid J. Hensley Thomas</i>	5.00	360.03
By bal in hands after payment of costs			\$3849.97
" Taxes of 1901	<i>Paid For 917 56 1/100 Dollars less 4 82 paid by J. H. Stringfield, B. L. Roberts, Jr.</i>	24.35	
" do for 1902	<i>Paid</i>	27.03	51.38
By bal after payment of taxes			\$3798.59
Prin, of debt of M.F.Langhorne			
secured by deed of trust (		550.59	
Interest May 10-1901	(		
to Jany 13th 1903	<i>(Paid per receipt on County M F Langhorne</i>	55.32	605.91
By bal for distribution			\$3192.68

Over.

By amount for distribution	\$3192.68
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" present value of dower of Emma F.Scott	
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Age 42.	752.13
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Distributive shares, $\frac{1}{6}$ each, of J.N.	
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Stringfield, Chas. H. Stringfield and	
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Mary E. Stringfield	1220.27 $\frac{1}{2}$
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Distributive shares, $\frac{1}{6}$ each of Lucy	
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Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice	
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Stringfield. Deposited in Bank	<u>1220.27 $\frac{1}{2}$</u>
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	<u>\$3192.68 \$3192.68</u>
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Statement of amount to be paid by J.N. and Chas H. Stringfield, purchasers of Land.

Amount of costs.	360.03
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Unpaid Taxes	51.38
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Debt due M.F. Langhorne	605.91
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Estate in Dower of Emma F. Scott	752.13
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Shares of Lucy Council, Eva and Alice Stringfield	<u>1220.27 $\frac{1}{2}$</u>
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Total amount to be paid in cash	\$2989.72 $\frac{1}{2}$
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Amount credited on purchase price, being shares	
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of J.N. Chas. H. and Mary E. Stringfield	<u>1220.27 $\frac{1}{2}$</u>
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Amount of purchase price of land.	\$4210.00
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Statement of Distribution of Present Value of Dower of Emma F.Scott.

By present value of Dower		752.13
To prin of deed of trust of P.D.Gwaltney Jr,& Co	396.68	
" Int on same from Nov 1902 to Jany 15 1903	<u>4.62</u>	
" paid prin & int of deed <i>P.D. Gwaltney Jr & Co</i>	401.30	
To judgment of V.W.Joyner Vs Emma F, for \$96.49 and L.H.Scott, int from April 26th	<i>Paid</i>	
1902, 1.40 costs & 80 cts due Clerk	<i>V. W. Joyner</i>	102.86
" judgment B.P.Chapman & Son Vs Emma F.Scott, for \$34.36, int from Decr 19th 02 to Jany 15-03, 1.10 costs and 80 cents Clerks Fees	<i>Paid R.E. Boykin</i>	36.41
" order of Emma F.& L.H.Scott to R.H. Williford for \$50.00, with int from Decr 29th 1900 to Jany 15th 1903	<i>Paid R. H. Williford</i>	56.26
" balance paid Emma F.Scott <i>Paid C. F. Scott</i>	<u>155.30</u>	
	<u>\$752.13</u>	<u>\$752.13</u>

Stringfellow et als
vs } In Chancery
Council et als.

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Report of Distribution of
Commissioners Boykin & Thomas

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

Council et als.

The undersigned R.E.Boykin, and R.S.Thomas, Special Commissioners of sale, under the decree herein of Decr 11th 1902, respectfully report to court, that in obedience to the said decree, having first executed the bond and given the notice by the said decree directed, they exposed to sale at public auction, at Isle of Wight Court House, on the 5th day of Jany 1903, being County Court day, the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned, of which J.J.Stringfield, died seised and possessed in the County of Isle of Wight, and State of Virginia, containing by estimation One Hundred and Ninety Two and Five Tenth (192.5/10) acres, be the same more or less, but the said land being sold in gross and not per acre adjoining the lands of B.L.Cox, the Richard Baker land, now owned by W.Joe Edwards and Pagan Creek, upon the following terms, to wit, for cash as to so much of the proceeds of sale as is necessary to pay off and discharge in full the debt ^{of M.F.Langhorne} secured by deed of trust, as shown by Commissioner Atkinson's report herein, together with costs of suit and sale, and the residue upon a credit of one and two years in equal payments, as by the said decreed directed, at which sale J.N.Stringfield and Chas.H.Stringfield, being the highest bidders, became the purchasers thereof at the sum and price of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Ten Dollars, (\$4210.00).

That the said J.N.Stringfield, and Chas.H.Stringfield, instead of executing their bonds for the deferred payments, desire to pay the entire purchase price in cash, except so much thereof as upon a distribution of the proceeds of sale, the said J.N.Stringfield, Chas.H.Stringfield and Mary E.Stringfield shall be entitled as heirs at law of their deceased father J.J.Stringfield, after the payment -----

of the lien of M.F.Langhorne aforesaid, the present value of the estate in dower of Emma F.Scott, late widow of the said J.J.Stringfield and the costs of suit and sale. The petition of the said J. J.Stringfield, Chas.H.Stringfield and Mary E.Stringfield praying that their respective shares aforesaid be credited upon the purchase price of the said land as aforesaid, is herewith returned.

Your Commissioners are advised that the said land sold for an excellent price and its full value, and would advise the confirmation of the said sale, and that the prayer of the said petition be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. E. Boykin
R. S. Thomas

} Special Commissioners
 of Sale.

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Report of Sale of Commissioners

Boykin and Thomas.

NOTICE!

Sale of Valuable Farm, near the Town of Smithfield, in the County of ISLE OF WIGHT.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, entered, in vacation, on the 11th day of December, 1902, in the suit in Chancery in the said Court depending of Stringfield et als, vs. Council et als, we will sell at public auction at

ISLE OF WIGHT COURT HOUSE, On the 5th day of January, 1903,

Being County Court day, that certain tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Isle of Wight and State of Virginia, near the Town of Smithfield, containing by estimation One Hundred and Ninety-Two and Five-Tenth (192 5-10) acres, be the same more or less, but the said land is sold in gross and not per acre, adjoining the lands of B. L. Cox, the Richard Baker land, Pagan Creek and others.

Of the above-mentioned land about 100 acres, more or less, is arable, in a fine state of cultivation, is adapted to the usual crops of the section and is one of the best farms in the section.

IMPROVEMENTS consist of a dwelling house, comparatively new, and the usual and necessary out-buildings.

TERMS:—Cash sufficient to pay cost of suit and sale, and the further sum of \$550.59, with interest from May 4th, 1901; the balance upon a credit of one and two years, in equal payments. Bonds with approved personal security, bearing interest from date, containing a waiver of the homestead exemption, required of the purchaser, and title retained until the further order of the Court.

R. E. BOYKIN, }
R. S. THOMAS, } Special Commissioners.

DEC. 13th, 1902.

R. A. EDWARDS, Auctioneer.

~~PLEASE~~ PLEASE POST.

IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF
WIGHT.

Stringfield et als, . . . Plaintiff. }
AGAINST
Council et als, . . . Defendant. }

I, N. F. Young, Clerk of the said court, do certify that the bond required of the Special Commissioner by the decree rendered in said cause in vacation on the 11th day of December, 1902, has been duly given.

Given under my hand as Clerk of the said court this 13th day of December, 1902.

N. F. YOUNG, C. C.

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Commissioner's Office
Smithfield Nov 27 1902

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Isle of
Wight County rendered on the 27th day of October 1902
in a suit in chancery pending therein between J N
Stringfield and others plaintiffs and W C Council
and wife and others defendants, the undersigned, a
commissioner in chancery of the said court, who was
directed by the said decree to take and state the
following accounts, first-whether the real estate in
the bill mentioned can be conveniently divided in
kind between the several parties entitled to shares
therein without loss or injury. Second. If the
same cannot be conveniently divided in kind
whether any party will take the entire land
and pay therefor to the other parties such sum
of money as their interest may entitle them to.
Third. And if the same cannot be conveniently
divided in kind, and, if no party will take the
entire land and pay the others for their share,
whether the interest of those who are entitled to the
said land, or its proceeds will be promoted by a sale
of the entire property, or by an allotment of a part
and sale of the residue. Fourth, An account of
the debts due by the said J. J. Stringfield, or his estate,
with their priority and dignity. Fifth. An account
of the liens upon the respective interest of the heirs at
law of the said J. J. Stringfield with their priority.
Sixth. Whether or not it would be to the interest of
the infant-defendants, that the estate in dower of
the said Emma F Scott, in said land be commuted
and paid her, and whether she desires the same
to be done. With any matter specially stated, deemed
pertinent by himself, or, required by any of the
parties to be so stated, reports that on the 19th day
of November 1902 he issued notices against the said
parties requiring them to attend the taking and

stating the said accounts and inquiries at his office aforesaid on the 22nd day of the same month which notices were duly served or service thereof acknowledged by the said parties: at which time and place the said parties having attended in person, or by their attorneys your Commissioner ascertained and finds by the examination of witnesses returned herewith and other evidence that the shares of the parties entitled thereto in the said land are so small that it cannot be conveniently divided in kind between them, without loss or injury. secondly that no party is willing to take the entire land and pay therefor to the other parties such sum of money as their interest may entitle them to, nor is any party willing to accept an allotment of any part of the said land and agree to the sale of the residue thereof, and that the interest of those entitled to the said land, or its proceeds will be promoted by a sale of the entire subject: your Commissioner further finds that the said land is subject to a lien created by the said J. J. Stringfield and Emma F. his wife by their deed of trust of October the 10th 1896 conveying said land to E. A. Morrison trustee to secure a debt to M. F. Langhorne of \$800.00 with interest thereon from date, of which debt there remains due and unpaid on the 10th day of May 1911 the sum of \$550.59 with interest thereon from the said last date, as shown by statement marked X filed herewith and is the only debt due by the said J. J. Stringfield or his estate outstanding and unpaid. Your Commissioner further finds that there are no liens upon the said for delinquent taxes nor upon the respective interests of the heirs at law of the said J. J. Stringfield except upon that of his widow the said Emma F. Stringfield who has intermarried with your complainant L. H. Scott and jointly with him

executed a deed of trust dated May 31st 1902 and duly recorded, conveying her down interest in the said land to T. B. Wright trustee to secure the payment of a debt to Corliss & Hart amounting to \$143.87 and also 1.15 costs of protest with interest thereon from the 10th day of April 1902 which debt has been since assigned to the said Corliss & Hart together with the said deed of trust to P. D. Galtney Jr & Co and the said L. B. Scott and Emma F. Scott his wife by their deed dated August 6th 1902 conveyed her said down interest in said land ~~to secure~~ to F. R. Berryman ^{to secure} the payment of a debt due to the said P. D. Galtney Jr & Co of \$396.68 with interest from 90 days from August 6th 1902, which said debt so secured includes the debt mentioned in the deed of trust above named secured to Corliss & Hart and the said deed of trust to T. B. Wright for the benefit of Corliss & Hart is entitled to be released. Your commission further finds that it will be to the interest of the infant defendants that the estate in down of the said Emma F. Scott in said land be commuted and paid to her and that it is desired by Mrs. Scott, who was 42 years old Nov 27th 1902.

Given under my hand as a commissioner in chancery of the said court the day and year first aforesaid.

Ans R. Wilkinson

Time employed 10 hours
Commissioners fee \$ 7.50

Stringfells estate

vs. } Report of Commr.
 } Geo. R. Dickinson

Cannell estate

Filed Nov. 27th 1902

The depositions of B.L.Cox, W.T.Seward, A.N.Scott, J.N.Stringfield and L.H.Scott.

taken before me Geo. R. Atkinson a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, pursuant to the notice hereto annexed at my office in the town of Smithfield, in the State of Virginia, on the 22nd day of Nov. 1902, to be returned to the said Court, in the matter of the accounts, in said notice mentioned, directed to be taken by the decree of said Court entered on the 27th day of Oct. 1902, in the suit in chancery in said Court depending wherein J.N.Stringfield, C.H.Stringfield and Mary B.Stringfield are complainants, and Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.E. Council, Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield, the last three infants, are defendants.

Present R.E.Boykin attorney for the complainants.

J.Waverly Thomas guardian ad litem of infant defendants.

B.L.Cox a witness of lawful age being duly sworn, deposes and says. as follows.

Question 1. State your name, age residence and occupation.

Ans. B.L.Cox, 52 years of age, reside in the County of Isle of Wight.

Ques 2. Are you acquainted with the parties to this suit, and are you familiar with the land of which J.J.Stringfield died seized and possessed, and what is its fair value.

Ans. I do know the parties and am familiar with the land. It adjoins mine. I should say it was worth \$3500. or \$4000.

Ques 3.
State whether or not in your opinion the said land can be conveniently divided in kind between the several parties entitled to

shares therein without loss or injury.

Ans. I do not think it could. In fact to divide the land among the parties would greatly injure them. I consider it a valuable little farm. I am informed that there are some 200 acres. If

it were divided into six shares, and there are that number of parties entitled to share in the land, besides the widow, each interest or piece would be worth but little, and would not sell to any advantage at any time, as the whole farm is just about enough for a good farmer. I feel sure that much loss would be occasioned by a division, and it is far better, especially for the infants that the entire land be sold and the proceeds of sale divided.

Ques 4. State whether or not in your opinion it would be best for the parties in interest, especially the infant defendants, that the said land should be sold free and clear of the dower of Emma F. Scott, or would it be better to assign her dower in kind.

Ans. I think it would be best that the land be sold clear of dower and Mrs Scott's interest be paid her, as the farm is a comparatively small one, and would not be at all desirable if Mrs Scott had a life estate in one third of it. It would sell for an excess more than sufficient to pay her what I am told the law would allow her by way of commutation.

B. L. Coit

W.T.Seward. , a witness of lawful age having been first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows. I am 47 years of age, live about a half of a mile from the land in question. Am well acquainted with it. I am very clear in my opinion that the land can not be divided in kind among the several parties. Nor would it be to their advantage to divide it in two shares even. It is just about enough land for one good farm, on which a man would have to make a living,

Any division of the land would be to the great injury of the parties in interest. As it is, as a whole it is a very valuable little farm, I should say it was worth some \$4000. If divided the several shares would not be worth proportionally an amount approximating to the above sum.

I am of the opinion that it would be to the advantage^{of} of all parties, especially the infants, that the land be sold clear of the dower of Mrs Scott, and that the value of her interest in the proceeds of sale be paid her. No one would give anything like the fair value of the land if some had a life estate in one third, especially, if the life tenant was comparatively young, as is the case with Mrs Scott. Again, as you know where one has a life estate only the land generally goes down very much and is exhausted by cultivating it every year.

And further this deponent saith not.

W. T. Seward

A .N.Scott, a witness of lawful age, having been duly sworn deposes and says, as follows.

I am 52 years of age, a farmer, live about a mile from the said land, know it well. It is worth ~~say it was worth~~ about \$4000. I think it would be a great loss to the parties if it were to be divided. There is, I am told, about 200 acres, or mabe a little less, just enough for a good farmer to cultivate in these days. If it were divided into six, or even a less number of shares, it would be at a great loss. Neither party would have enough land from which to make a living, and if the several parts were sold all of them would not sell for an amount at all equal to what the whole land if sold in one piece would bring. And from the way the land lies I do not think it practicable to divide it any way.

I believe it would be best that the land be sold clear of the

dower of the widow. I know I would not like to buy a farm, especially a small one like this, if any one had a life interest in one third of it. I believe the land sold clear of her dower would sell for ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~xxxxxxx~~ an excess more than sufficient to pay the legal value of Mrs Scott's dower interest.

I am told that Mr Langhorne has a deed of trust on the land for some \$500. or more dollars. In that case it certain that you could not sell off enough of the land to pay that debt, and make any kind of a division of the balance of the land without hurting the parties. I think it best for the infants as well as the older heirs that the land be sold as a whole and clear of dower.

And further this deponent saith not.

A. N. Scott

J.N.Stringfield, a witness of lawful age having been duly sworn,, deposes and says as follows. I am 27 years of age, and am one of the parties plaintiff to this suit. I do not believe that the land can be divided in kind without loss or injury to the parties. That is the opinion of all of the heirs. It certainly can not be divided in kind after selling enough to pay Mr Landhorne's deed of trust, there being a balance due of over \$550.00, and there is no personal estate of my deceased father with which to pay said debt.

I consider the land undivided as a valuable little farm, but if cut up in parts its value would be greatly lessened, all of the parts, put on the market would not sell for anything like as much as the land undivided. None of the adult parties, neither myself, brother or sister would take the land and pay to the others what their interests would entitle them, but think it best that the land be sold and the proceeds of sale be divided.

I think it would be best for all parties, the infants as well, that the land be sold clear of the dower of Mrs Scott, and the value of

her interest paid her. The increased price which will be obtained in this way will more than make up, I think, the value of her dower interest. The land is a desirable little farm, but it would not be if some one had a life interest in it, especially as it is more than probable that the buildings would be assigned to the widow. And further this deponent saith not.

L. H. Stringfield

L. H. Scott, a witness of lawful age having been first duly sworn deposes and says as follows.

I am 25 years of age, am the husband of Emma F. Scott, and the guardian of the infant defendants. I do not think the land can be divided in kind without great loss. It is a good little farm, and worth \$3500. or \$4000. there is only about enough land for a good farmer to make a good living. To divide the land would be a great pity. None of the parties will take the land and pay to the others what they are entitled to, but, as I understand it, they think it best it be sold in the market, so that it will bring the best possible price. I am sure this is for the best for the infant children.

My wife, the said Emma F. Scott is willing that the land be sold clear of her dower and that her interest in the proceeds of sale be ascertained and paid her. In my opinion this would be best for all parties, the infants as well as the others, as the land clear of her dower will, I feel sure, sell for an excess more than enough to pay what the law allows her, as it has been explained to me.

And further this deponent saith not.

L. H. Scott

Smithfield, Isle of Wight County, to wit.

I, Geo. R. Atkinson, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that the forgoing depositions of B. L. Cox, W. T. Seward, A. N. Scott, J. N. Stringfield and L. H. Scott, were duly taken, sworn to and subscribed before, me, at the time and place, and for the purpose in the caption mentioned.

Given under my hand this 22d day of November 1902.

Geo. R. Atkinson
Commissioner in Chancery.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In Chancery.

Council et als.

Depositions with Commissioner's
Report.

State of Virginia,

County of Surry, to-wit:-

I, A. S. Edwards, Clerk of the County Court of the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that it appears of record in the said office that H. F. Whitmore is the owner in fee simple of a tract of five hundred and thirty-six acres of land in the said County, adjoining W. T. Fergusson, the lands of Theophilus Tunis, (lately John Wilson) and others, of the assessed value of two thousand and five hundred and seventy-two dollars and twenty-four cents, being the same land conveyed to the said H. F. Whitmore by W. H. Weed, by deed duly recorded in the said office; that said Whitmore is charged on the personal property books for the said County for the year 1902, with the following personal property to-wit: Six horses, of the assessed value of two hundred and sixty dollars; three cattle of the value of twenty dollars; ten hogs of the value of twenty dollars; four family carriages &c., of the value of seventy-five dollars; farming implements of the value of fifteen dollars; one watch of the value of one dollar; one clock of the value of one dollar; one sewing machine of the value of fifteen dollars; household and kitchen furniture of the value of thirty-five dollars and one gun of the value of three dollars; all of said personal property being of the assessed value of four hundred and forty-five dollars, and the aggregate assessed value of said real estate and personal property being three thousand and seventeen dollars and twenty-four cents (\$3017.24). That said real estate is subject to the lien of a deed of trust made by said Whitmore and wife on July 30th, 1902, to secure to Charles W. Warren the payment of a bond of even date with said deed for fifteen hundred dollars, payable on demand, with interest from date, for money borrowed by said Whitmore to complete the purchase of said land. and that there are no other liens recorded against the said Whit-

more in the said office.

Given under my hand as Clerk as aforesaid, this 27th day of
June, A. D. 1903.

A. S. Edwards, Clerk.

Stringer's Chalk

or

Cumulated Chalk

Certificate of A. S. Edwards
as to H. F. Whitmore

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of ~~Isle of Wight~~, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU that you summon *Emma F. Scott, L. N. Scott,*
M. F. Langhorne, E. A. Harrison trustee, H. E. Council,
Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield, Alice Stringfield the
last three infants under the age of twenty one years

to appear at the Clerk's office of the *Circuit* Court of the *County of Isle of Wight*
at the rules to be held for the said Court, on the *First* Monday in *October* 190*2*
to answer a bill in chancery, exhibited against *them* in our said court for
by *J. J. Stringfield, Charles H. Stringfield, and Mary*
W. Stringfield

And have then there this writ. Witness NATHANIEL F. YOUNG, Clerk of our said court, at
the court-house, the *20th* day of *September* 190*2*, and in the 12*7*
year of the Commonwealth.

N. F. Young

J. J. Stringfield vs. E. F. Scott

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SUBPOENA
IN
CHANCERY.

Emma F. Scott vs. J. J. Stringfield

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To 1st October Rules,
Circuit Court.

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Sept 29th 1902. We hereby
acknowledge legal service
of this process.

W. E. Council
Lucy Council

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of Isle of Wight, Greeting:

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Stringfield

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Emma F. Scott et als

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To 1st October

Rules.

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Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

The answer of Emma F.Scott to the petition of B.P.Chapman & Son filed in this cause. This defendant saving and reserving all right of exception &c, to the said petition for answer thereto or so much thereof as she is advised it is material or necessary for her to answer, answering says. That she admits to be true the allegations of the said petition. And further answering says it is her wish and desire that the amount due under and by virtue of the judgment of the said B.P.Chapman & Son in the said petition mentioned, ~~which~~ be paid out of the present value of the said dower of the said Emma F.Scott in the tract of land in the bill and proceedings in this suit mentioned, in the order of its priority. And having answered she prays hence to be dismissed with her cost and&c.

Emma F. Scott
By counsel

having answered the bills once to be dismissed with her cost and charges in this suit mentioned in the order of the Honorable. And

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judgment of the said R. S. Chapman & son in the said petition mentioned her wish and desire that she should give under and by virtue of the allegations of the said petition. And further answering says it is her to answer, answering says. That she agrees to be true the so much as to be in regard to it is material or necessary for rights of exception etc. to the said petition for answer, therefore or son being in this case. This defendant saving and reserving all

Stringfield

Vs. In Chancery

Council

Answer of Emma F. Scott

The answer of John F. Scott to the petition of R. S. Chapman &

Council at etc.

As. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Stringfield at etc.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

The joint and several answers of Emma F. Scott and J. H. Scott to the petition of V. W. Joyner filed in this cause. These defendants saving and reserving all right of exception &c, to the said petition for answer thereto or so much thereof as they are advised it is material or necessary for them to answer, answering say. That they admit to be true the allegations of the said petition. And further answering say it is the wish and desire of the said Emma F. Scott that the amount due under and by virtue of the judgment of the said V. W. Joyner in the said petition mentioned, be paid out of the present value of the said dower of the said Emma F. Scott in the tract of land in the bill and proceedings in this suit mentioned in the order of its priority. And having answered they pray hence to be dismissed with their cost &c.

Emma F. Scott
J. H. Scott
By counsel

be dismissed with their cost &c.

the order of its jurisdiction. And having answered, then pray leave to
rest of day in the bill and proceedings in this suit mentioned in
pleading of the said docket of the said Emma F. Scott in the
said W. N. Townshend in the said petition mentioned, be laid out of the
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submit to be paid the petitioners of the said petition. And further
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serving and answering of the said petition &c. to the said petition
to the benefit of the said docket filed in this cause. These defendants

Stringfield
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Council

Answer of Emma F. Scott and J. H. Scott

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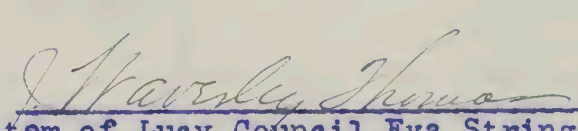
vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.
Council et als.

The joint and several answers of Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield, infant orphans of J.J. Stringfield, by J. Waverly Thomas, their guardian ad litem, to the bill of complaint in said court exhibited by J.N. Stringfield, against them and others.

These defendants saving and reserving all right of exception to the many errors and imperfections in the said bill contained, for answer thereto, or to so much thereof as they are advised it is material or necessary for them to answer, answering say that, they are infants under the age of twenty one years and commit their interest in the premises to the protection of this honorable court.

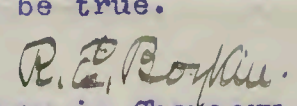
And having answered they pray hence to be dismissed with their costs in this behalf most unreasonably expended.

And your complainants will ever pray &c.


Gdn ad litem of Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield.

Isle of Wight County, to wit.

I, R.E. Boykin, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court, for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that, J. Waverly Thomas, whose name, as guardian ad litem, is signed to the foregoing answer personally appeared before me in my said county, and made oath that the statements containing therein, so far as made of his own knowledge are true, and so far as made on knowledge or information derived from others he believes to be true.
Given under my hand this 8th day of Oct 1902.


Commissioner in Chancery.

Commissioner in Chancery.

Given under my hand this 8th day of Oct 1808.
 The said Peter having been ordered to be sworn
 on his own knowledge as true, and so far as he knows or
 may hear with that the statements contained therein, so far as he
 knows, answer personally subscribed before me in my said court,
 I, Waverly Thomas, whose name as Comptroller of the said court,
 for the County of Worcester, in the State of Virginia, do certify that
 I, W. T. Thomas, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court,
 late of said County, do wit.

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Stringfield et als.
 Vs. In Chancery.
 Council et als.
 Infant's Answer.
 Filed Oct. 16/1808

Stringfield et al.

Vss In the circuir court of the county of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

The answer of M.F.Langhorn to the bill of complaint in the said court exhibited by J.J.Stringfield and others against him and others. This defendant saving and reserving all right of exception to the many errors and imperfections in the said bill contained, for answer thereto, or to so much thereof as he is advised as it is materially, or necessary for him to answer, answering says. That he admits to the true the general allegation in said bill contained as to the execution by the said J.J.Stringfield of the said bond for Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00) payable to this defendant together with a deed of trust to secure the same, in which Emma F.,his wife,united,as is complainants bill is alleged

And further answering this defendant says,that the interest on the said bond was regularly and duely paid up to the tenth day of April 1900,but no part of the principal. ~~That~~ subsequent to the death of the said J.J.Stringfield,to wit,on the 10th day of April 1901,there was paid to this defendant the sum of Two Hundred Dollars in part payment of the said bond,and on the 4th day of April 1901,there was paid the further sum of One Hundred Dollars in part payment of the same,leaving a balance due this defendant,as of the 4th day of May 1901,of Five Hundred and Fifty Dollars and Fifty Nine Cents; which amount,with interest thereon,is still due,owing and unpaid to this defendant,and he asks that the real estate conveyed by the said deed be subjected to the payment of the same.

And further answering this defendant prays hence to be dismissed with his costs in this behalf most unreasonably expended.

M. F. Langhorn

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In Chancery.

Council et als.

Answer of M.F.Langhorne.

Stringfield et las.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

Council et als.

The answer of Emma F. Scott to the bill of complaint in said court exhibited by J.N. Stringfield et als against her et als.

This defendant saving and reserving all right of exception to the many errors and imperfections in the said bill contained, for answer thereto or to so much thereof as she is advised it is material or necessary for her to answer, answering says. That she admits to be true the general allegations in the said bill contained And further answering says, that she is willing that the said land be sold free and clear of and from her dower, and that the value of her estate in dower be ascertained and, commuted and paid her.

And having answered this defendant prays hence to be dismissed with her costs in this behalf most unreasonably expended.

Emma F. Scott

with hot coats in his pail, hot, unseasoned, 'exquisite'.

And having reviewed this statement, I will have to be dismissed.

Stringfield et al.
Vs. In Chancery/
Council et al.
Answer of Emma F. Scott.

Answer of Emma F. Scott.

the removal of such a person to the pit of condemnation is
conduct of life.

as. In the Circuit Court of Lake of Michigan County.
Srinivasan et al.

VIRGINIA: CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT.

Stringfield et als.

vs) Chancery.

Councill, et als.

To Honorable B. D. White, Judge of the Circuit
Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Your petitioner, L. H. Scott, represents that
he is a party defendant in this suit. That he is informed
that all matters and things involved herein have been settled
and disposed of save and except a fund accruing to Alice
Stringfield, who, upon the filing of this suit, was an in-
fant, which said fund is now in the Bank of Smithfield, of
Smithfield, Virginia. That the said Alice Stringfield is
now more than twenty one years of age, to-wit: of the age
of _____ years, having attained to the age of twenty one years
on the _____ day of _____. That the said
Alice Stringfield is a person of unsound mind, being an imbecile
or idiot. That said Alice Stringfield lives with and is supported
by your petitioner and his wife, who is the mother of said
Alice Stringfield, save and except that small sums have been,
from time to time, withdrawn, by the order of this Court,
and paid to Emma F. Scott, for the maintenance and support
of the said Alice Stringfield. That the sum so ordered to
be withdrawn by this Court, for such support and maintenance,
is fifty dollars. That said sum is wholly inadequate to cover
such expense. That in the event of the death of said Alice String-
field, what money she had left would pass to her mother, brothers
and sisters, to the manifest injustice of the mother and step-
father, who have cared for her for many years, almost wholly at

their own expense.

Your petitioner, therefore, prays that he be allowed the sum of \$_____ per month, or the sum of \$_____ per annum, for the support and maintenance of the said Alice Stringfield, which sum is to be paid to your petitioner or to his wife, Emma F. Scott, mother of said Alice Stringfield, as the Court shall deem proper, until the said fund has been exhausted.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

L. A. Scott

Strongfield et al

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Petition of
L. H. Scott

Filed March 1919

In the CIRCUIT COURT of the COUNTY of

ISLE OF WIGHT.

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Stringfield, and others, :
vs- :
Council, and others. :
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The Petition of *L* *L* Scott,
Guardian of Scott and
Scott, Infants:

Your Petitioner would respectfully represent
that the said infants are totally without means, except
the sum of \$....., which has heretofore been deposited
to the credit of each of them, in the Bank of Smithfield,
Smithfield, Virginia,--the certificate of deposit having
been returned with the report of Commissioners Boykin
and Thomas herein;

That one of the said infants, to wit:
Scott is a paralytic, totally unable to do anything
towards her support.

Your petitioner would pray, that he be allowed,
as guardian for the said infant, to withdraw the
accrued interest on the said certificate of deposit,
and the further sum of \$....., to be expended in
her support;

(2)

That, in like manner, he be allowed to withdraw the interest on the certificate of deposit, to the credit of Scott, and the further sum of \$....., to be expended in the support and education of the said last-named infant.

Your petitioner avers, that heretofore, he has been supporting, and, to the best of his ability, educating the said children, but he is now unable to do so, and asks, as aforesaid, that a portion of the amount deposited in bank as aforesaid be applied for the purposes aforesaid.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

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In the Circuit Court of the
County of Isle of Wight:

Stringfield, and others,

vs-

Council, and others.

Petition of-

.....Scott,

GUARDIAN &c.

To the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

The Petition of Lucy Council, by J.R.L. Goodrich, her next friend.

Your petitioner would respectfully represent that she is a minor, of the age of twenty years; that she is married to one W.E. Council; that during her coverture she became entitled to certain separate estate, to wit, the sum of Four Hundred and Six Dollars and Seventy Six Cents, which sum has been deposited in the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Va, by the order of this court entered in the suit of Stringfield et als Vs Council et als, wherein your petitioner is a party defendant, and which suit is now pending in the said court, being the proceeds of the sale of real estate of which your petitioners father died seised and possessed. That your petitioner has no other separate estate.

Your Petitioner would respectfully request that her said husband, the said W.E. Council, be appointed Receiver of her said separate estate. That the said receiver be allowed to withdraw from the papers in said suit the certificate of the Cashier of the said Bank for the said sum, and apply the same to her use during coverture, or otherwise as the court may direct.

And your petitioner will ever pray &c.

Lucy Council

By J. R. L. Goodrich her next friend.

Lucy Council

Isle of Wight County, to wit.

I, R.E. Boykina Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that J.R.L. Goodrich, whose name as next friend of Lucy Council, and Lucy Council, whose names are signed to the writing hereto annexed, have acknowledged the same before me in my said County.

Given under my hand this 27th day of May 1903.

R. E. Boykina
Commissioner in Chancery.

Petition of Lucy Council by her
next friend.

May 1903

LAW OFFICE OF
R. E. BOYKIN,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. IN the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

The petition of B.P.Chapman and J.C.Chapman traiding under the firm name of B.P.Chapman & Son.

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Petition
of
the
County
of
Isle
of
Wight
against
Emma
F.
Scott
for
\$34.36
with
interest
thereon
from
the
1st
day
of
Dec
1902
until
payment
and
\$1.10
cost
which
judgment
was
duly
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the
Clerk's
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petition.

Your petitioners are informed and so charged that the said judgment is a lien on the estate in dower of the said Emma F.Scott, in the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned of which J.N.Stringfield died seizes and possessed in said County, and he has a right to subject the same to the lien of the said judgment.

That the said judgment having been obtained and docketed since the report of liens of Commissioner Atkinson herein, was not included in such report.

Your petitioners would pray that the present value of the dower if the said Emma F.Scott in the proceeds of sale of the said land, sold by R.E.Boykin, and R.S.Thomas Commissioners of sale on the 5th day of Jany 1903, be subjected to the payment of your petitioners lien in the order of 1st priority.

And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

B. P. Chapman & Son
By Counsel

And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

Taken in the order of the Court.

Given at New York, the 10th day of December 1803.

And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

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Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

The Petition of V.W.Joyner.

Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the 30th day of Sept 1902, your petitioner recovered a judgment before M.F.Jordan, a Justice of the peace for the County of Isle of Wight against Emma F.Scott, sometimes called E.F.Scott, and L.H.Scott for \$96.49, with interest thereon from the 2nd day of April 1902, until payment, and \$1.40 costs, which judgment was duly docketed in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of the County aforesaid, on the 10th day of Decr 1902. A certified abstract of the said judgment is herewith filed, marked A, and prayed to be taken as a part of this petition.

Your petitioner is informed and so charges that the said judgment is a lien on the estate in dower of the said Emma F.Scott, sometimes called E.F.Scott, in the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned of which J.N.Stringfield died seised and possessed in said county, and he has a right to subject the same to the lien of the said judgment.

That the said judgment having been obtained and docketed since the report of liens of Commissioner Atkinson herein, was not included in such report.

Your petitioner would pray that the present value of the dower of the said E.F.Scott in the proceeds of sale of the said land, sold by R.E.Boykin, and R.S.Thomas Commissioner of Sale on the 5th day of Jan'y 1903, be subjected to the payment of your petitioners lien in the order of its priority.

And your petitioner will ever pray &c.

V.W. Joyner
By Counsel

And your petitioner will ever pray &c.
the order of its priority.

1893, be subjected to the payment of your petitioners lien in
by R.E. Boykin and R.S. Thomas Commissioner of Sale on the 5th day of
of the said E.W. Scott in the proceeds of sale of the said land, sold
Your petitioner would pray that the present value of the goods
not included in such report.

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That the said judgment having been obtained and docket
the same to the lien of the said judgment.

seized and possessed in said county, and he has a right to subject
proceedings of this and mentioned of which J.N. Springfield died
sometimes called E.W. Scott, in the tract of land in the bill and
judgment is a lien on the estate in power of the said James E. Scott,
Your petitioner is informed and so charges that the said
this petition.

ment is herewith filed, marked A, and prayed to be taken as a part of
the 10th day of Decr 1893. A certified abstract of the said judg-
the Clerk, a Office of the County Court of the County aforesaid, on
all payment, and \$1.40. W. J. Coyner. V. W. J. Coyner.
\$38.43, with interest thereon from the day of 1893, and
against James E. Scott, sometimes called E.W. Scott, and J.H. Scott for
N.E. L. Ogden, a Justice of the Peace for the County of Wight
Springfield
Vs
Council
Petition

Your petitioner would respectfully represent that on the

The petition of A.W. Joyner.

Council et al.

As. In the Circuit Court of the County of Lata of Wight.

Springfield et al.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.
Council et als.

The petition of J.N.Stringfield, Chas H.Stringfield and Mary
E.Stringfield.

Your petitioners would respectfully represent that on the 5th day of Jany 1903. R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas special Commissioners under the decree herein of Decr 1902, having first given the notice by the said decree directed, exposed to sale at public auction at Isle of Wight Court House the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned, at which sale J.N.Stringfield and Chas H.Stringfield, being the highest bidders, became the purchasers thereof at the sum and price of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Ten Dollars. That the said J.N.Stringfield and Chas.H.Stringfield, instead of executing bonds for the deferred payments desire to pay the entire amount in cash, except so much thereof as upon a distribution of the proceeds of sale your said petitioners shall be entitled. That your petitioners, subject to the lien of the deed of trust of M.F.Langhorne, as reported by Comissioner Atkinson in his report of liens herein, and subject to the estate in dower of Emma F Scott, late widow of J.J.Stringfield, deceased, after the payment of costs of suit and sale, are entitled, as heirs at law of their deceased father J.J.Stringfield, to one half of the proceeds of sale of the said land.

Your petitioners would pray, upon their filing their receipts with the said Commissioners of Sale for their respective shares of the said proceeds of sale of the said land, that the said J.N.Stringfield and Chas.H.Stringfield, be credited with the respective shares of your petitioners in the settlement to be made-----

by them of the purchase price of the said land, as full and completely as if the same had been paid to them in cash.

And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

J. N. Stringfield.
C. H. Stringfield
Mary E. Stringfield

Isle of Wight County to wit:

I, R.E. Boykin, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that J.N. Stringfield, Chas H. Stringfield and Mary E. Stringfield, whose names are signed to the foregoing petition, personally appeared before me in my said County and made oath that the statement therein contained are true.

Given under this 7th day of January 1903.

R. E. Boykin
Commissioner in Chancery

Stringfield

Vs. In Chancery

Council

Petition of J.N.Stringfield Chas

H.Stringfield and Mary E. String-
field

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To the Hon. R. R. Prentiss Judge of the Circuit court of Law and Chancery of the county of Isle of Wight, in chancery sitting.

Humbly complaining sheweth to the court, your complainants J. J. Stringfield, Charles H. Stringfield, and Mary V. Stringfield. That J. J. Stringfield, the, father of your complainants, departed this life at his residence in the county of Isle of Wight, sometime during the year 1899, leaving him surviving a widow Emma F. Stringfield who has since inter-married with one L. H. Scott, and six children to wit; your complainants J. J. Stringfield, Charles H. Stringfield, and Mary V. Stringfield; Lucy Stringfield who has since inter-married with one W. E. Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield. That the said Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield are infants under the age of twenty one years.

That the said J. J. Stringfield died seized and possessed of a certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the county of Isle of Wight, and State of Virginia, containing by estimation - 192⁵/₁₀ acres, be the same more or less, adjoining the land of B. L. Cox, the Richard Baker land, now owned by W. Joe Edwards, and Pagan creek. That the said J. J. Stringfield in his life time, and the said Emma F., his wife, by their deed bearing date Oct 10th 1902, conveyed to E. A. Morrison the said tract of land, in trust to secure M. F. Langhorn the payment of the sum of *Eight Hundred Dollars*. A certified copy of the said deed is herewith filed, marked A and prayed to be read as a part of this bill.

That during the life time of the said J. J. Stringfield, certain payments were made on the debt secured by the said deed and since his death other payments have been made thereto by the said J. J. Stringfield and others, heirs at law of the said J. J. Stringfield. That there is a considerable balance

on the debt secured by the said deed of trust, the exact amount is by your complainants unknown.

Your complainants are informed and so charge that the said Emma F. Scott, formerly Stringfield is entitled to dower in the said land, and though commissioners were appointed to assign said dower, yet your complainants are informed that said dower has not been legally assigned to the said Emma F. Scott; though she has been in possession of a portion of said land for some years, holding the same as and for her dower. Your complainants are informed and so charge that the said Emma F. Scott is willing to and desires, that instead of dower being assigned to her in kind, the said land be sold free and clear of and from her dower therein, and her estate in dower be commuted and paid to her. Your complainants are of the opinion that the interest of all parties would be promoted by the said land being so sold, and such interest commuted and paid as aforesaid. That the said J. J. Stringfield left a small personal estate which has been applied in the payment of debts, and there is no funds out of which the debts secured by the said deed can be paid, except the said land.

Your complainants are informed and so charge that the said land is not susceptible of partition among the parties entitled thereto, and that it would be impracticable and against the interest of the parties entitled thereto, to sell a part of said land for the payment of the amount secured by the said deed, and a division of the residue. That the interest of all parties will be promoted by a sale of the entire land and a division of the proceeds of such sale, as their interest may entitle them, after payment of the amount secured by the said deed of trust. In tender consideration whereof and forasmuch as your complainants are without remedy at law and can only be

R.E.
That a reasonable fee will be asked for by
Boykin, attorney in this cause for his services
herein

relieved by the aid of this honorable court of chancery, where
matters of this kind are alone and properly cognizable and
relievable, to the end that justice may be done in the premises,
your complainants pray that, the said ^{Emma F. Scott, L. H. Scott} W. E. Council, Lucy Council,
Council, Eva Springfield and Alice Springfield, the last three
infants under twenty one years of age may be made parties
defendants to this bill, and be required to answer same, an
answer under oath being hereby expressly waived. That a
proper guardian ad litem be assigned the infants defendants to
defend their interest in this suit; that proper process may
issue. That a sufficient portion of said land be sold to pay
off and discharge the debt secured by deed of trust of aforesaid
and the residue of said land be divided among the several
parties entitled thereto; and if that cannot be done that the
said land be sold, free and clear of the dower of the said
Emma F. Scott as aforesaid, and after payment of the debt
secured by the said deed, the proceeds of sale be divided
among the parties entitled thereto as their interest may
entitle them; that all proper orders and decrees may be made,
and proper enquires be directed, and that such other, farther
and general relief may be afforded your complainants as the
nature of the case may require, or to equity shall seem meet.
And your complainants will ever pray, &c.

J. A. Stringfield
Charles H. Stringfield
Mary V. Stringfield.
By course -

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Stringfield et als/

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Council et als/

Complainants Bill.

Filed October 6th 1902

1st October rules 1902. Bill &
infants filed. Sum executed on
all adults debts de mise. J. W.
Thomas app't: for addition

2^d Oct rules 1902. Bill
taken for confessed, and case
set for hearing

October term 1902 de for accounts

April Term 1903. ~~Report~~ ^{conf} &
made vacation case

Certificate dated April 24, 1903			\$406.76
Intrest from April 24, 1903 to November 23, 1905.....	\$41.83 withdrawn	3.29	<u>403.47</u>
Intrest from November 23, 1905 to April 10, 1906.....	6.12	"	20.00 <u>383.47</u>
Intrest from April 10, 1906 to June 23, 1906.....	3.08	"	4.20 <u>379.27</u>
Intrest from June 23, 1906 to July 30, 1907.....	16.71	"	50.00 <u>329.27</u>
Intrest from July 30, 1907.... to November 15, 1907.....	3.81	"	3.38 <u>325.89</u>
Intrest from November 15, 1907 to January 23, 1909.....	15.45	2.73 4.11	6.84 <u>319.05</u>
Intrest from January 23, 1909 to June 16, 1911.....	30.56	"	10.41 <u>308.64</u>
Intrest from June 16, 1911 to June 24, 1911.....	.27	"	3.81 <u>304.83</u>
Intrest from June 24, 1911 to July 10, 1911.....	.53	"	50.00 <u>254.83</u>
Intrest from July 10, 1911 to March 19, 1913.....	17.24	"	10.00 <u>244.83</u>
Intrest from March 19, 1913 to May 27, 1913.....	1.83	"	15.00 <u>229.83</u>
Intrest from May 27, 1913 to January 9, 1914.....	5.62	"	25.00 <u>204.83</u>
Intrest from January 9, 1914 to May 29, 1914.....	3.17	"	8.00 <u>196.83</u>
Intrest from May 29, 1914 to October 20, 1914.....	2.93	"	15.00 <u>181.83</u>
Intrest from October 20, 1914 to May 22, 1915.....	4.20	"	4.00 <u>177.83</u>
Intrest from May 22, 1915 to February 9, 1916.....	5.10	"	10.00 <u>167.83</u>
Intrest from February 9, 1916 to July 15, 1916.....	2.80	"	5.00 <u>162.83</u>
Intrest from July 15, 1916 to May 5, 1917.....	\$ 5.22 withdrawn	\$ 10.00	<u>152.83</u>
Intrest from May 5, 1917 to May 1, 1918.....	6.11	"	
Total.....			<u>\$172.58</u>
Principal.....			\$152.83
Intrest.....			<u>172.58</u>
			\$325.41

Cornell et al

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Shingfield et al

Filed May 31-1920

VIRGINIA: CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT.

Stringfield et als

vs) Chancery

Councill et als.

To Honorable B. D. White,

Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of
Wight.

The undersigned, who was, by decree entered herein,
on the 15th. day of December, 1919, appointed a Special Com-
missioner for the purposes therein stated, respectfully re-
ports that from the evidence filed herewith, and letter of
the Cashier of Bank of Smithfield, there is in said bank, due
to the defendant Alice Stringfield, June 1st. 1920, the sum of
\$308.80, and that she is non-compos-mentis.

In such a condition the amount of money which has been
directed to be paid out for her support and maintenance, is in-
sufficient and if it is not possible for the Court to direct
the whole amount now in the said bank to be paid to her mother,
a liberal monthly allowance should be made.

Respectfully submitted,

Johnson, Spe. Comm.

L. H. Scott being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Please state your name, age, residence and occupation? Ans.

L. H. Scott, I am forty three years of age in coming November, live in Isle of Wight County and am a farmer.

Do you know Alice Stringfield? Ans. Yes sir, she is my wife's daughter.

What is her mental condition? Ans. She has always been feeble minded, can get about the house a little but cannot be trusted with anything. My understanding is that she was born all right but at a day or so old she was taken with spasms and the result of it was the present incapacity. She does not go out of doors at all unless she is carried. She knows her name and knows one person from another but that is about all.

How long have you know her? A. all her life.

How long have you been married to her mother? Ans. Twenty one years and a half.

And further this deponent saith not.

L. H. Scott

Rea Parker being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Please state your name, age, residence, and occupation? Ans.

Rea Parker, 39 years of age, live in Smithfield, Isle of Wight County Virginia, and am a Physician.

Dr. Parker, have you been called upon to examine Alice Stringfield? Ans. I have.

In what condition did you find her? Ans. She has practically no mind--cannot dress herself, needing the constant attention of someone else all the time. I am informed that she has been in the same condition from her birth.

In your opinion can she tell the value of money, or any other thing? Ans. She cannot. She would not know one piece of money from another.

Do you believe that she will ever recover from her present condition, partially or wholly? Ans. I do not believe any improvement can be expected.

And further this deponent saith not.

Rea Parker

J. WAVERLY THOMAS,
PRESIDENT

JOHN I. COFER,
CASHIER

JAMES P. COX,
ASST. CASHIER.



BANK OF SMITHFIELD

CAPITAL \$ 85,800.00
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS
\$ 50,000.00

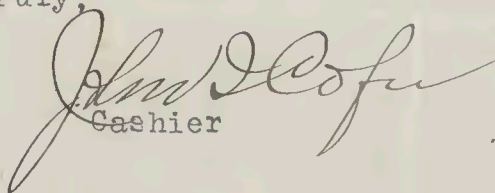
SMITHFIELD, VA. May 29, 1920

Mr A.S. Johnson
Isle of Wight Va.

Dear Mr Johnson,

In pursuance of your request of
May 26" I have calculated the intrest on the Councill
& Stringfield deposit to June 1" 1920 and the principal
will be \$125.61 and the intrest \$183.19 giving them a
balance of \$308.80

Trusting this will meet your wishes,
I am,
Yours very truly,


Cashier

To Alice Stringfield,

Take notice, that I shall, at my office, on the 5th, day of May, 1920, at eleven o'clock A.M. proceed to execute the decree entered by the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, State of Virginia, on the 15th, day of December, 1919, in the suit of Stringfield et als vs Councill et als, of which the attached is a copy.

Given under my hand, as Commissioner in Chancery, of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight, this 1st, day of May, 1920.


Commissioner in Chancery.

The above notice, and copy of the court order attached thereto, was this day served upon Alice Stringfield, in person, in the County of Isle of Wight, by delivering to her copies thereof.

Given under my hand this 1st day of May, 1920.


Sheriff of Isle of Wight County.

Sheriff's fee for service \$.50

VIRGINIA : CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT.

DECEMBER 15th, 1919.

Stringfield et als.

vs) Chancery.

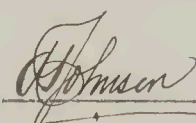
Councill et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and upon the petition of L. H. Scott, one of the defendants, herein, this day, by leave of Court, filed. And it appearing from said petition that there is a fund in the Bank of Smithfield to the credit of this cause, belonging to Alice Stringfield; That said Alice Stringfield may be incompetent to handle the said fund, even though she be more than twenty one years of age; It is adjudged, ordered and decreed, that A. S. Johnson be, and he is, hereby, appointed a Special Commissioner, to ascertain and report to Court of what estate the said Alice Stringfield is possessed, of what it consists, and in whose custody or control; What is the mental condition of said Alice Stringfield, and what will be a proper allowance to be made to her mother for her support and maintenance, if she is of unsound mind.

And the said Commissioner is directed to make report of his inquiries hereunder, after report to said Alice Stringfield, together with any testimony which may be taken by him, which shall be reduced to writing.

A copy,

Teste,



Clerk.

June 2nd. 1920.

Mr. John I. Cofer,
Smithfield,
Virginia.

Dear Mr. Cofer:

There is, in your bank, in the suit of Stringfield et als.
vs. Council et als. the sum of \$308.80, as of June 1st. 1920.

I am enclosing, herewith, copy of decree entered by the
Circuit Court, May 31st. 1920, which provides that I shall check upon the
said amount for the costs in the suit, to dismissal, and for a fee allowed
to me as Special Commissioner, being a total of \$21.90, and that Emma
F. Scott may check upon the balance of the said fund for the support and
maintenance of Alice Stringfield, without any further proceeding, thus ending
the matter with you. I find in the papers an old certificate of deposit
which, I believe, you thought lost. Be pleased to pass the check I have
signed to my credit, and send me deposit slip therefor, and I have written to
Mr. Scott and sent him check for Mrs. Scott to sign and upon which you will
pay out the balance.

Yours very truly,

June 2nd. 1920.

Mr. L. H. Scott,
Smithfield,
Virginia.

Dear Leroy:

I enclose to John Cofer, on this mail, copy of decree entered in the suit, and which directs the balance, after paying the costs, to be paid out to Mrs. Scott, upon her check, which check I have made out and enclose, herewith, all being done to it except that she will have to sign her name. You can then present the check to the bank and get the balance of the money. The suit is off the docket and will accumulate no more costs. We have had a time getting it off but better late than never.

Yours very truly,

STRINGFIELD, ET ALS.

VS) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY
COUNCIL ET ALS.

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill taken for confessed as to the defendants, W. E. Council, Emma F. Scott, L. H. Scott and E. A. Morrison, trustee, upon whom process has been duly served, they still failing to appear, plead, answer or demur, on the answer of M. F. Langhorne and the answer of the infant defendants by J. Waverly Thomas, their guardian ad litem, duly assigned at rules to defend them in this suit, and of said guardian ad litem, with general replication to said answers; and was argued by counsel: On consideration whereof, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree, that a Commissioner of this Court ascertain and report to Court the following accounts and enquiries.

FIRST. Whether the real estate in the bill mentioned can be conveniently divided in kind between the several parties entitled to share therein without loss or injury.

SECOND. If the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind whether any party will take the entire land and pay therefor to the other parties such sums of money as their interests may entitle them to.

THIRD. And if the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind, and, if no party will take the entire land and pay the others for their shares, whether the interests of those who are entitled to the said land, or, its proceeds will be promoted by a sale of the entire property, or by an allotment of a part and sale of the residue.

FOURTH. An account of the debts due by the said J. J. Stringfield, or his estate, with their priority and dignity.

FIFTH. An account of the liens upon the respective interests of the heirs at law of the said J. J. Stringfield, with their priority.

SIXTH. Whether or not it would be to the interest of the infant defendants, that the estate in dower of the said Emma F. Scott, in said land be commuted and paid her, and whether she desires the same to be done.

Which accounts the said Commissioner shall take, settle and report to Court, with any matters specially stated, deemed pertinent by

himself, or, required by any of the parties to be so stated.

And by consent of the parties to this suit in term, entered of record, it is ordered that this cause be submitted to the Judge of this Court for such decisions and decrees therein in vacation, as might be made in term.

A Copy,

Teste A. J. Young C.C.

Stringfield et als
vs. In Chancery.
Council et als.

Decree, Jany 9th. 1902.

Enter This.

Robert R. Hunt

January 12th 1903
Received & entered of record

Stringfield et al. ^{named of the parties}
vs } In The Circuit Court of Dec of N. H. County.
Counice et al.

This cause came on this day to be
~~so~~ heard on the bill taken for confessed as to
the defendants W. E. Counice, Emma F. Scott,
S. H. Scott and E. A. Morrison Trustee, upon
whom process has been duly served. They
still failing to appear. plead, answer or
demur, on the answer of M. F. Langhorne,
and the answer of the infant defendants
by D. Waverly Thomas, their guardian ad
litem ^{daily assigned at law to defend them in this suit} and of said guardian ad litem,
with general replication to said answers, and
was argued by counsel; on consideration
whereof the court doth adjudge, order and
decree, that a commissioner of this court
ascertain and report to court the following
accounts and inquiries.

First, whether the real estate in the bill men-
tioned can be conveniently divided in kind
between the several parties entitled to share
therein, without loss or injury.

Second, If the same can not be conveniently
divided in kind whether any party will take
the entire land and pay therefor to the other
parties such sums of money as their interests
may entitle them to.

Third And - if the same can not be conveniently

divided in kind, and, if no party will take the entire land and pay the others for their shares, whether the interests of those who are entitled to the said land, or, ~~if~~ its proceeds will be promoted by a sale of the entire property, or by an allotment of part and sale of the residue.

Fourth, an account of the debts due by the said D. D. Stringfield, or his estate, with their priority and dignity.

Fifth, an account of the liens upon the respective interests of the heirs at law of the said D. D. Stringfield, with their priority.

Sixth, whether or not it would be to the interest of the infant defendants, that the estate ~~of~~ in dower of the said Emma F. Scott, in the said land be commuted and paid her. and whether she desires the same to be done.

Which accounts the said Commissioner shall take. settle and report to Court, with any matters specially stated, deemed pertinent by himself, or, required by any of the parties to be so stated, and by consent of the parties to this suit in term, entered of record, it is ordered that this cause be submitted to the Judge of this

court for such decisions and decrees therein
in vacation as might be made in term.

Springfield et als
vs } Du chancery
Council et als

Rough Decree
Oct 27th 1902

To be entered

Robert R. Huntis

C.O.B. No. 6 page 272

We consent to this decree
being made a vacation
cause. R. B. Boykin
att for adverse parties.
J. Moody Thomas Esq ad litem
for infant defendants

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, *on the 9th day of January 1903. -*
Council et als.

In Vacation

This cause, which has been regularly submitted to the Judge of this Court, for such decisions and decrees therein, in vacation, as might be made in term; and in which it appears to the Court from the notice filed; that reasonable notice has been given to all parties of the application for this decree, came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read; the report of sale of R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas, Special Comissioners, this day filed by leave of Court; on the petition of J.N.Stringfield, Chas H.Stringfield and Mary E.Stringfield; on the petitions of V.W.Joyner and B.P.Chapman, this day filed by leave of Court; and on the answer of Emma F.Scott and L.H.Scott, and the answer of Emma F.Scott to the said petitions, with general replication to said answers, which answers were in like manner this day filed by leave of court; and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof, the court, confirming the said report of sale, to which no exceptions have been filed, doth adjudge, order and decree, that the said R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas, who have heretofore been appointed Commissioners in this cause, ~~do~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~, do collect and receive of and from J.N.Stringfield and Chas.H.Stringfield the sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Ten Dollars, in full of the purchase price of the land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned of which J.J.Stringfield, died seised and possessed in the County of Isle of Wight, containing by estimation One Hundred and Ninety Two and Five Tenth (192.5/10) acres be the same more or less, the said land being sold however in gross and not per acre, adjoining the lands of B.F.Cox, the Richard Baker

land, now owned by W. Joe Edwards and Pagan Creek, bid off by the
 and Chas. H. Stringfield,
 said J. N. Stringfield, at a decretal sale made in said suit on the
 5th day of Jany 1903; but the said Commissioners, in making said
 collection of the said sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Ten
 Dollars, shall credit the said J. N. Stringfield and Chas. H. Stringfield,
 as cash, with the respective distributive shares of the said J. N.
 Stringfield, Chas. H. Stringfield and Mary E. Stringfield, heirs at law
 of the said J. J. Stringfield, deceased, in the proceeds of the sale of
 the said land, as prayed in their said petition, after deducting the
 costs of suit and sale, including the fee heretofore allowed R. E.
 Boykin, as attorney in this cause, all unpaid taxes on the said land,
 the amount due M. F. Langhorne by virtue of his deed of trust on the
 land aforesaid, as reported by Commissioner Atkinson, in his report
 of liens herein, and the present value of the estate in dower of
 Emma F. Scott, late widow of the said J. J. Stringfield, ascertained
 as hereinafter directed. And upon such collection and payment the
 said R. E. Boykin and R. S. Thomas, Special Commissioners as aforesaid,
 shall execute and deliver to the said J. N. Stringfield and Chas. H.
 Stringfield a good and sufficient deed in fee simple with special
 warranty for the tract of land aforesaid, taking from the said J. N.
 Stringfield, Chas. H. Stringfield and Mary E. Stringfield, their several
 receipts for the said amounts so to be credited on the purchase
 price of the said land as aforesaid, in full of their several distributive
 shares, as heirs at law of the said J. J. Stringfield, deceased
 in the said proceeds of sale of the said land.

And the court doth further adjudge order and decree that
 out of the proceeds of such collection the said Commissioners shall
 pay the costs of this suit and sale, including the fee heretofore
 allowed the said R. E. Boykin as aforesaid, all unpaid taxes on the
 said land, and shall pay to M. F. Langhorne the sum of Five Hundred

and Fifty Dollars and Fifty Nine Cents, with interest thereon from May 10th 1901, in full of the amount due the said M.F. Langhorne under and by virtue of his deed of trust aforesaid, ascertained by Commissioner Atkinson in his report aforesaid to be the first lien on the said land, taking his receipt, or that of his attorney, for such payment.

And it appearing to the court, from the complainants bill the answer of Emma F. Scott, and from the report of Commissioner Atkinson, heretofore filed, that it is the wish and desire of the adult parties and of the said Emma F. Scott, late widow of the said J.J. Stringfield, and to the interest of the infant defendants, that the estate in dower of the said Emma F. Scott, in the proceeds of sale of the said land be commuted and paid her, the court doth further adjudge, order and decree, that the said R.E. Boykin, and R.S. Thomas, Commissioners as aforesaid, after making the payments heretofore directed, it appearing that the said Emma F. Scott, late widow of the said J.J. Stringfield, deceased united in the said deed of trust for the benefit of the said M.F. Langhorne, do ascertain, in the manner and according to the tables provided by law, the present value of the estate in dower of the said Emma F. Scott in the ^{balance of the} proceeds of the said sale of the said land, fixing the age of the said Emma F. Scott at Forty Two years, as reported by Commissioner Atkinson in his report aforesaid, and the said amount so ascertained as aforesaid to be the present value of the estate in dower of the said Emma F. Scott, as aforesaid, the said Commissioners shall pay and distribute in the order and priority, as follows.

First. They shall pay thereout to P.D. Gwaltney, Jr., & Co, the sum of Three Hundred and Ninety Six Dollars and Sixty Eight Cents (\$396.68) with interest from Nov 5th 1902, until payment, in full of the amount

Scott for the benefit of the said P.D.Gwaltney Jr., & Co, reported by Commissioner Atkinson in his report aforesaid, to be the first lien on the estate in dower of the said Emma F. Scott.

Second. They shall pay thereout to V.W. Joyner the sum of Ninety Six Dollars and Forty Nine Cents (\$96.49), with interest from April 26th 1902 until payment, and One Dollar and Forty Cents costs, with a fee of Eighty Cents to the Clerk of the County Court of the County of Isle of Wight, for docketing the said judgment, and for abstract of same, in full of the judgment in the petition of the said V.W. Joyner mentioned.

Third. They shall pay thereout to B.P. Chapman and Son the sum of Thirty Four Dollars and Thirty Six Cents, with interest thereon from the 18th day of Decr 1902, until payment, together with One Dollar and Ten Cents costs, with a fee of Eighty Cents to the Clerk of the County Court of the County aforesaid, for docketing the said judgment and for abstract of same.

Fourth. The residue of the present value of the said estate in dower of the said Emma F. Scott, the said Commissioners shall pay to the said Emma F. Scott, her attorney, or assigns; taking the receipts of the parties or their attorneys for such payments.

The balance remaining in the hands of the said Commissioners, from the proceeds of sale and collection of the said land, being their respective shares of the infant defendants, and heirs at law of the said J.J. Stringfield, deceased, they shall deposit in the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, ^{*subject to the future order of the court in this cause*} as follows; one third to the credit of Lucy E. Council, one third to the credit of Eva Stringfield and one third to the credit of Alice Stringfield, taking the certificate of the cashier of the said Bank for such deposits and return the same to court with ~~their~~ report of their proceedings under this decree, and returning therewith receipts for all payments made

in pursuance of this decree.

Robert R. Henrich

Judge of the Circuit Court of the
County of Isle of Wight.

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

IN the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County ~~January~~
January 12th, 1903, the foregoing vacation decree was received and en-
tered of record.

Attest, *A. J. Young* Clerk.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In Chancery

Council et als.

Decree.

Enter Dec. 11, 1902

Robert C. Haulis

Dec. 13th 1902 received
and entered of record

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

Council et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers
formerly read, and on the petition of Lucy Council by J.R.L. Goodridge
her next friend, this day filed by leave of court, and was argued
by counsel; on consideration whereof the court doth adjudge, order
and decree, that W.E. Council, who is hereby appointed as receiver of
the separate estate of his wife Lucy Council, upon executing a
bond before ~~the clerk of this Court~~ *or the Judge thereof* in the penalty of Eight Hundred
and Twelve Dollars, with sufficient security, conditioned according
to law, be and he is hereby empowered, having first filed his receipt
therefor in the papers of this cause, to withdraw therefrom the cer-
tificate of deposit of the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia,
for the sum of Four Hundred and Six Dollars and Seventy Six Cents,
payable to the said Lucy Council, returned with the report herein of
Commissioners Boykin and Thomas, the said sum being the separate
estate of the said Lucy Council, ~~xxxxxxx the xxxxxx xxxxxxxx~~
collect the amount from the said Bank, with any accrued interest,
~~xxxxxxx~~, and hold and manage the said estate as
required by law, with authority to the said Receiver to loan the
said sum on unencumbered real estate, of double the value of the
said amount securing the same by a deed of trust thereon.

And the said Receiver shall make report to court of his proceedings under this decree.

Stringfield
51 DuChauway
Council Bluffs

Rough Draft
June 22nd 1903
To be entered

Robert R. Harris
Box 6 p 303

Springfield et als.

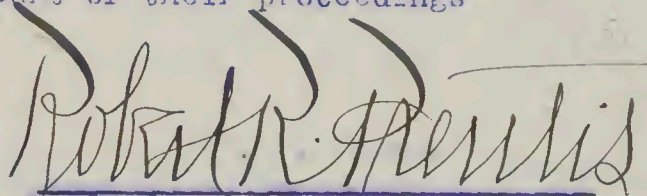
Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight,
11th. day of December 1902.
Council et als.

which has been regularly submitted to the judge of this court for such decisions and decrees herein, in vacation. It might be made in Town, and general replication thereto,
In Vacation
This cause, in which it appears to the court from the notice

filed in this suit, that reasonable notice has been given to all parties of the application for this decree, came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, and on the report of Commissioner Atkinson, filed on the 27th. day of November 1902 and was argued by counsel. On consideration thereof, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that R.E. Boykin and R. S. Thomas

, who are hereby appointed commissioners for that purpose, either of whom may act, proceed to sell at public auction at Isle of Wight Court House on some court day, after giving at least fifteen days notice, of the time and place of sale by hand bills posted at the front door of the court of said County and at five or more public places therein, the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned, of which J. A. Stringfield died, seized and possessed, in the County of Isle of Wight, containing by estimation 192.5/10 acres be the same more or less, adjoining the lands of B.L. Cox, the Richard Baker land, now owned by W. Joe Edwards and Pagan Creek, but the said land to be sold in gross and not per acre, upon the following terms, to wit; for cash as to so much thereof as is necessary to pay off and discharge in full the debt due M.F. Langhorn, secured by a deed of trust, as shown by Commissioner Atkinson's report aforesaid together with costs of suit and sale including a fee to R.E. Boykin for his services as attorney in this case of ~~the sum of~~ \$200., and the

residue upon a credit of one and two years in equal payments; taking from the purchaser bonds with approved security, with waiver of the homestead exemption, and retaining title until the further order of the Court. But the said Commissioners shall not execute this decree untill they, or the one who shall act hereunder, shall have executed a bond in the clerks office of this Court in penalty of \$5000.00, with sufficient security, conditioned for the faithful performance of this or any future decree herein. And the said Commissioners shall make report to Court of their proceedings under this decree.



Judge of the Circuit Court of
Isle of Wight County.

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In Chancery

Council et als.

C.O.B. 6, page 292

Rough Decree April 27th 1903.

To be entered

Robert C. Smith

*We consent to this cause being
made a vacation cause.*

*R. E. Boykin atty
for plaintiffs.*

J. Mervin Thomas

*for all items of
defendant's claims*

LAW OFFICE OF
R. E. BOYKIN,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

Stringfield et als.

Vs. In the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight.

Council et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, and on the report of distribution of Commissioners Boykin and Thomas, this day filed by leave of Court, and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth confirm the said report, to which no exceptions have been filed.

And by consent of parties in term entered of record, it is ordered that this cause be submitted to the Judge of this Court for such decision and decrees therein in vacation as might be made in term.

In the Circuit Court of the
County of Isle of Wight:

Stringfield, and others,
vs-
Council, and others.

DECREE.

In the CIRCUIT COURT of the COUNTY of

ISLE OF WIGHT:

-----X
Stringfield, and others, :
vs- :
Council, and others. :
-----X

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and upon the petition of Scott, Guardian of the infants Scott, and Scott.

ON CONSIDERATION WHEREOF, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree, that R. E. Boykin, who has heretofore been appointed a Commissioner in this cause, do collect from the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, the accrued interest on the several amounts deposited in this cause to their credit in the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia. And that the said Commissioner is further empowered and directed to check upon the said several ~~amounts~~ funds, to the extent of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) each, and pay over the said several sums and amounts to the said Scott, guardian of the said infants, to be expended in their necessary support and education,- taking from the said guardian his receipt for the said several sums, and return the same to Court, with a report of his proceedings under this decree.

Council also
v { De Chancery
Stringfield also

Rough Draft
Dec 6. 1904

To be entered
Robert R. Penttilä

Chancery Order Book, No. 6

Page, 393

Council case

p } In the Circuit Court of Dale of High County.

Stringfield case

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, and it appearing to the Court. that Taxes have accrued - become due and payable on the several sums and amounts deposited in the Bank of Smithfield. Smithfield, with credit of ^{the infant defendant} Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield - respectively. it is ordered that R. S. Thomas and R. E. Boykin ~~do check~~ who have heretofore been appointed Commissioners in this cause. do check upon the said several amounts, so deposited as aforesaid, for the amount of the accrued Taxes, and that said Commissioners, from time to time, as and when Taxes upon the said several sums and amounts, shall hereafter mature - become due and payable, check upon the said several amounts - for the amounts of such Taxes - and pay the same.

and the Court doth further adjudge order and decree. that the said Commissioners do ~~spend~~ ^{the said amount deposited to her credit} check upon, and expend the sum of Seventy Five Dollars for the ^{maintenance} support, and education of Eva Scott. an infant defendant. and that the said Commissioners do check upon and expend, in the ^{maintenance} support, and education of the infant defendant Alice Stringfield. it appearing to the Court that she is a paralytic, and needs attendance and assistance the annual sum of Fifty Dollars commencing from the entry of this decree.

COUNCIL ET ALS.

VS. . . IN CHANCERY.

STRINGFIELD ET ALS.

DECREE-JUNE 4th 1906. To be entered.

Robert R. Smith
C. Q. B. No. 6. Page.

Council et als.

Versus.

Stringfield et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof it appearing to the court that the defendant Eva Stringfield, has intermarried with one Joseph Charles, and since the last decree herein has arrived to the age of twenty one years, the court doth adjudge, order and decree that R. E. Boykin and R. S. Thomas, who have heretofore been appointed Commissioners in this cause, withdraw from the papers in this suit the certificate of deposit of the cashier of the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, for the share and interest of the said Eva Stringfield, collect the same, together with all interest due thereon, less such amounts as have been paid to the said Eva Charles, formerly Stringfield, by the decree of the court herein, and pay to the said Eva Charles the amount of such collection, less her pro rata of the costs of this suit remaining unpaid, and any unpaid taxes due or to become due on the amount deposited in the said bank as aforesaid. And the said Commissioners shall make report to court of their proceedings under this decree.

In the-
Circuit Court of the
County of Isle of Wight:

W. E. Council,
and others,

vs.-

Stringfield,
and others.

Decree.

C. 0. 13 No 6 p. 572

1909
Jan. 4
J. E. Boykin
12. D. W.

LAW OFFICE OF
R. E. BOYKIN,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

In the-
Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight:

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W. E. Council,	:
and others-	:
versus,	: <u>DECREE.</u>
Stringfield,	:
and others.	:

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This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and it appearing to the court that taxes have accrued, become due and payable upon the amounts deposited in the Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, to the credit of Alice Stringfield and Eva Stringfield, respectively; and that such taxes will accrue, become due and payable from time to time hereafter, the court---

Doth adjudge, order and decree that R. E. Boykin and R. S. Thomas, ^{or either of them,} who have heretofore been appointed Special Commissioners in this cause, do check upon the said several amounts so deposited to the credit of the said infants as aforesaid for the amount of the taxes due thereon and do pay the same to the Treasurer of the county of Isle of Wight.

And the court doth further adjudge, order and decree that

or either of them
 the said Special Commissioners shall, from time to time, as and when the taxes shall become due and payable on the said several amounts, check upon the same, and pay the said taxes to the said Treasurer.

And it further appearing to the court that there is an irregularity in the qualification of one, _____ Scott, as the guardian of the said infants, and that the said infants are living with the said _____ Scott; that one of them is a paralytic; another an infant of tender years, and that he has been supporting the said infants (who are his step-children) for several years without compensation, and that his means are insufficient to longer support the said infants--

It is ordered that the said Commissioners do check upon the said several sums so deposited to the credit of the said infants as aforesaid for the sum of seventy-five dollars, together with the accrued interest on the amounts deposited as aforesaid, and to pay the same to the said _____ Scott, to be expended by him in the support, maintenance and education of the said infants.

And the said Special Commissioners shall make report to the court of their proceedings under this decree.

*Cost fees up to
 and including
 this decree*

\$411

Jas. P. Andrews, President.

JOHN I. COFER, Cashier.

~~A. S. Bassett, Cashier.~~

*The Bank of Smithfield,
of*

Smithfield, Va., June 16th - 1911. 190

A. S. Johnson Esq. Clerk,

Isle of Wight - Va.

Dear Sir:-

In persuance with your request we are enclosing herewith
our Cashier's check for \$10.41 in the case of Stringfield et als.
We have a memorandum of your request and shall try to attend to
this in the future.

Yours very truly,

John I. Cofer
.....
CASHIER.

JIC/E

Cornwall et al
vs of Rough decree
Springfield et al

1911
June 5
Entered this
P. B. W.

VIRGINIA: CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT JUNE 5TH.1911

W. E. Council et als.,

vs) Chancery

Stringfield, et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and was argued by counsel: And it appearing to the Court that taxes have accrued upon the funds to the credit of the said cause now deposited in Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, as well as costs upon said suit; and it further appearing that R. E. Boykin, one of the Special Commissioners heretofore appointed in said suit has departed this life; and that R. S. Thomas, the other Special Commissioner herein has never acted as such Special Commissioner and now declines to act as such, it is, therefore, adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said Bank of Smithfield, upon presentation of any tax account showing taxes now due upon said funds so deposited in said bank as aforesaid, by the Treasurer of this County, of his deputies, do pay such taxes as shall have accrued upon said fund as aforesaid, and any taxes that may hereafter accrue upon said funds in said Bank as aforesaid; and further, that upon the presentation of any statement of costs which have or may hereafter accrue upon said suit, by the Clerk of this Court, the same shall be paid by said Bank, and such payments for taxes and costs shall be charged against the said fund by said

Bank and for which the said Bank shall have credit at final settlement.

And this cause is continued.
Things for said payments proper receipts which shall be filed at the February term of each year together with a statement of the account and funds on deposit in said bank to the credit of said cause.

\$ 1907 Jan acct 254
pay to Wm Wm 4-1
Cash fees \$7.87

June 18th. 1911.

Bank of Smithfield,
Smithfield, Va.

Gentlemen:

I enclose, herewith, copy of a decree entered in the cause of Council et als. vs. Stringfield et als., entered on the 5th. day of June, 1911, together with a bill for clerk's fees accrued in said suit to date and a tax account. Will you kindly send me cashier's check for the full amount of costs and taxes, namely, \$10.41, and which I will distribute.

You will note that this decree provides that a statement of the payments under this decree shall be reported every year in February. This you can do and mail to me the statement of the account in February of each year, so that it may be presented to the Court for its action. I trust that this matter has been made perfectly clear now and that we will have no more inquiries and requests for payment of taxes and other accounts as we have had in the past two or three years.

Yours very truly,

Clerk.

Council, et als,

VS) SECRET

Stringfield, et als.

1912
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT, VIRGINIA:

JUNE TERM, 1912:

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Council, et als,
- VS -
Stringfield, et als.
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This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, and was argued by counsel. And it appearing to the Court that the decree entered in this cause on the 6th day of December, 1904, is not being executed, on the account of the death of R. L. Boykin, one of the Special Commissioners heretofore appointed in said suit, and the refusal of S. S. Thomas, the other Special Commissioner herein, to act as such, it is, therefore, adjudged, ordered and decreed that the Bank of Smithfield shall pay, out of the funds to the credit of said cause, now deposited in the said Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, to Emma F. Scott, the mother of Alice Stringfield, the infant defendant, to be expended in the support, maintenance and education of the said Alice Stringfield, the annual sum of FIFTY (\$50.) DOLLARS, as directed by the above mentioned decree, commencing from the date of the entering of this decree.

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Rough decree

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J. B. W.

VIRGINIA: CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT.

Stringfield et als.

vs) Chancery.

Councill et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and upon the petition of L. H. Scott, one of the defendants, herein, this day, by leave of Court, filed. And, it appearing from said ^{petition} report that there is a fund in the Bank of Smithfield to the credit of this cause, belonging to Alice Stringfield; that said Alice Stringfield ^{may be} is incompetent to handle the said fund, even though she be more than twenty one years of age; ~~that the funds now being paid for the support and maintenance of said Alice Stringfield are insufficient to meet the demand.~~ It is adjudged, ordered and decreed that A. S. Johnson be, and he is, hereby, appointed a Special Commissioner, to ascertain and report to Court of what estate the said Alice Stringfield is possessed, of what it consists ^{What is the mental condition of said Alice Stringfield,} and in whose custody or control; and, what will be a proper allowance to be made to her mother for her support and maintenance. ^{& she is of unsound mind}

And the said Commissioner is directed to make report ^{after notice to said Alice Stringfield,} of his inquiries hereunder, together with any testimony which may be taken by him, which shall be reduced to writing.

Stringfield et als

vs) Chancery

Council et als.

Rough decree.

Enter, May 31st. 1920.

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Entered.
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VIRGINIA: CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF IRM OF RICH.

Stringfield et als.

vs) Chancery.

Councill et als.

This cause came on this day to be again heard upon the papers formerly read, and upon the report of A. B. Johnson, appointed Special Commissioner herein, on the 15th. day of December, 1919, to ascertain and to report to Court what estate Alice Stringfield was seized and, also, the mental condition of said Alice Stringfield, this day filed, by leave of court, and to which there is no exception, and was argued by counsel: And, it appearing from said report that the said Alice Stringfield has, in Bank of Smithfield, Smithfield, Virginia, the sum of \$308.80, funds arising out of the sale of the subject matter of this suit; that she is an adult, and non-compos mentis, and has been from a few hours after her birth to the present time; that she is not likely to recover; that she resides with and is cared for by her mother, Emma F. Scott, who was Emma F. Stringfield: upon consideration whereof, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that *As S. Johnson, do check upon* ~~the said bank of Smithfield~~ *for* ~~the costs of~~ *said fund in* ~~this order~~ *at this order* the said bank of Smithfield ~~pay~~ the costs of this suit, to dismissal, including a fee to the said Special Commissioner, A. B. Johnson, of \$ 10.00 for his report, made and filed as aforesaid; and ~~the balance, it shall pay to the~~ *Let* ~~said Emma F. Scott, mother of Alice Stringfield,~~ *do check upon said fund* ~~to be used~~ by her in the support and maintenance of the said Alice Stringfield.

And there appearing nothing further to be done in this cause it is ordered that it be stricken from the docket.

J. J. Stringfield's wife

To } T. D.

E. A. Morrison Trustee

Filed Oct 6th 1902

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Isle of Wight for thirty days and upon the following terms, to-wit. For cash as to so much of the proceeds as may be necessary to defray the expenses of executing this trust and to discharge the amount of money then payable upon the said bond, and if there be any residue of such purchase money the same shall be made payable at such time and secured in such as the parties of the first part may direct, and in case of their failure to give such direction then at such time and secured in such manner as the said trustee shall think best.

If no default be made in the payment of the debt aforesaid or any installment of interest on the same, then the said parties shall be entitled to a good and sufficient deed of release at their own proper costs and charges.

Witness the signatures and seals of the parties of the first part the day and year first above written.

James J. Stringfield, (SEAL)

Emma F. Stringfield, (SEAL)

State of Virginia: County of Isle of Wight, to-wit:

I, W. L. Folk, a Notary Public in and for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia, do certify that James J. Stringfield and Emma F. Stringfield, whose names are signed to the above writing bearing date the 10th. day of October, 1896, have this day personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same.

Given under my hand this 10th. day of October, 1896.

W. L. Folk, Notary Public.

In the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Isle of Wight County October 13th. 1896 this deed was presented and with the certificate annexed admitted to record.

Teste, N. F. Young, Clerk.

By Samuel H. Edwards, Deputy.

A Copy,

Teste,

N. F. Young

C.C.

THIS DEED, made this 10th. day of October in the year of our Lord, 1896, by and between James J. Stringfield and Emma F. his wife, both of the County of Isle of Wight in the State of Virginia, parties of the first part and E. A. Morrison, of the town of Smithfield in the County and State aforesaid party of the second part:

WITNESSETH: That the said James J. Stringfield and Emma F. his wife, doth grant and convey with General Warranty unto said E. A. Morrison all of the following property, to-wit: All of that certain tract or parcel of land situated and being in the Countt of Isle of Wight and State of Virginia and containing by estimation 272 acres, be the same more or less and bounded as follows, to-wit: On the North by the lands of John Predmore, and on the East by Pagan Creek, and on the South by the lands of R. H. Baker and B. L. Cocks, and on the West by the lands of John Predmore, together with all the buildings and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

IN TRUST, to secure to M. F. Langhorne of the town of Smithfield in the County and State aforesaid the payment of a certain bond executed by the said J. J. Stringfield and of ~~exen~~ date herewith and being for the payment of the sum of eight hundred dollars, and payable two years after date, with interest from date.

And the said James J. Stringfield covenants and agrees to pay the interest on the sad bond semi-annually.

In the event that default shall be made in the payment of the above mentioned bond or any installment of interest when due and payable, then the said trustee, on being required so to do by the said M. F. Langhorne his heirs or assigns, shall sell the property hereby conveyed.

And it is covenanted and agreed between the parties aforesaid that in case of a sale the same shall be made after first advertising the time place and terms of same by printed posters posted in five or more public places in the county of

Stringfield & Wife

To } **Deed of Trust.**

Morrisoe E. A.

*Admitted to record
October 13 1896*

*Examined Verified
and delivered.*

Test

*Saml. W. Edwards
Jr.*

*Recorded in
Deed Book 69, page 99.*

*Fee 1.00
1.25
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1.50*

W. L. FOLK,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,
SMITHFIELD, VA.

*Balance due on this deed
75¢*

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James J. Stringfield (SEAL)
 Susan F. Stringfield (SEAL)

In the clerk's office of the county
court of Isle of Wight County October
13th 1894. This deed was presented
and with the certificate annexed
admitted to record

Test. N. Y. Young
by Samuel H. Edwards.
Deputy.

W. Jayner

vs.

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ABSTRACT
OF JUDGMENT.

Geo. L. B. Scott

B 33116

Virginia:
Judge M. Jordan, a J.P.
~~In the County Court of the County of Isle of Wight,~~ Term, 190....

V. H. Jaynes Plaintiff
versus

Grand L. N. Bell Defendant

Judgment in favor of the Plaintiff against the Defendant for the sum
of *\$96.49*

With interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, from
Nov 26th 1902 until payment.

and \$14.00 costs
Subject to the following credits:

A FIERI FACIAS issued from the Clerk's office of said Court on the day of 190....
returnable to the thereafter, directed to the
of the County of Isle of Wight, who hath made return thereon in the words and figures following, to wit:

This Judgment was duly docketed in the Clerk's office of the
County Court of the County of Isle of Wight on the *10th*
day of *Decr* 190*2*
Judgment Docket No. *3* Page *22*

Teste:

W. H. Young Clerk.
By A. Johnson p. q.

W. H. Young Clerk.
By A. Johnson
Cost of docketing this judgt *45*
Cost of this abstract *30*
80

B. P. Chapman & Son

vs.

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ABSTRACT
OF JUDGMENT.

Emma F. Scott

B 33116

Virginia:
Judgment m & Jordan J. P. Isle of Wight County
~~In the County Court of the County of Isle of Wight,~~ *Decem 25* 1902 Term, 1902.

B. P. Chapman & Son Plaintiff

versus

Emma F. Dett Defendant

Judgment in favor of the Plaintiff against the Defendant for the sum of *\$34³⁶*

With interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, from *Dec 18th 1902* until payment.

and \$110 Costs
Subject to the following credits:

A FIERI FACIAS issued from the Clerk's office of said Court on the _____ day of _____ 190____
returnable to the _____ thereafter, directed to the _____
of the County of Isle of Wight, who hath made return thereon in the words and figures following, to wit: _____

This Judgment was duly docketed in the Clerk's office of the

County Court of the County of Isle of Wight on the *31st*

day of *December* 190*2*

Judgment Docket No. *3* Page *24*

Teste:

N. J. Young
By Apphuson D. C. Clerk

Clerk.

p. q.

Costs of docketing this judgt
Cost of this Abstract

45¢
35¢
80

To Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.E.Council and J.Waverly Thomas guardian ad litem of Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield M.F.Langhorn and E.A.Morrison Trustee.

Take notice that by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, entered on the 27th day of Oct. 1902, in the Chancery suit depending in the said Court wherein J.N.Stringfield, Chas H.Stringfield and Mary E.Stringfield are complainants and Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.E.Council, Lucy Council Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield, M.F.Langhorn and E.A.Morrison Trustee, are defendants, we shall on the 9th day of Jany 1903, apply to the Hon. R.R.Prentis, Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, at his office in the Town of Suffolk in the State of Virginia, to confirm the report of sale of R.E.Boykin and R.S.Thomas Special Commissioners of sale in the suit of Stringfield et als against Council et als, of the sale of the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of the said suit mentioned, of which the said J.J.Stringfield died, seized and possessed in the County of Isle of Wight and State of Virginia, made Jany 5th 1902, in pursuance of a decree in said suit on the 11th day of Decr 1902, to empower the said Commissioners to receive in cash the full amount of the purchase price of the said land, and after the payment of the liens thereon, and the cost of suit and sale, to distribute the proceeds of sale among the parties entitled thereto, as their interest may entitle them.

*J. N. Stringfield
Chas. H. Stringfield
Mary E. Stringfield
By Council*

November 28th 1908.

Stringfield et als
vs / Du Cha
Courcie et als

Notice of application
for decree in vacation

We acknowledge legal ser-
vice of this notice.
Emma F. Scott
E. H. Scott
W. E. Courcie
W. F. Langhorne
E. A. Morrison Trustee
By R. E. Boykin this day.

Lucy Courcie
Eva Stringfield
Alice Stringfield
By J. W. H. Thomas
Att ad Litem
J. W. H. Thomas
Att ad Litem

Take notice, that by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court

M. F. Langhorne and E. A. Morrison Trustees.

and of title of Inca Council, has Stringfield and Alice Stringfield
to Emma F. Scott, E. H. Scott, W. E. Courcie and J. W. H. Thomas Trustee.

To Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.E.Council and J.Waverly Thomas guardian ad litem of Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield M.F.Langhorn and E.A.Morrison Trustee.

Take notice, that by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, entered on the 27th day of Oct. 1902, in the chancery suit depending in said Court wherein J.N. Stringfield, C.H.Stringfield and Mary E. Stringfield are complainants and Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.E.Council, Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield, M.F.Langhorn and E.A.Morrison Trustee, are defendants, we shall on the 11th day of Dec. 1902, apply to the Hon. R.R.Prentis, Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, at his Office in the town of Suffolk in the State of Virginia, to confirm ^{the} reports of Commissioner Geo. R. Atkinson taken in pursuance of ^{the} a decree in chancery suit in said Court depending, wherein we are complainants and you are defendants, and filed in said suit on the 27th day of Nov. 1902, and enter a decree appointing a Commissioner, or Commissioners, of sale, and directing the sale of the tract of land in the bill and proceedings of this suit mentioned, of which J.N.Stringfield died, seized and possessed in said County, free and clear of the dower of Emma F. Scott.

November 27th 1902.

J. N. Stringfield
C. H. Stringfield
Mary E. Stringfield

Stringfield et als.
 vs. In Chancery.
 Council et als.

Commissioner's Notice

We acknowledge the
 Service of This notice.

J. A. Stringfield
 Chas. H. Stringfield
 Mary B. Stringfield
 Emma F. Scott
 E. H. Scott. Mr. F. Paughome
 W. E. Council. C. A. Morrison
 By R. B. Boykin this day.

Successor

Levi Stringfield
 Alice Stringfield
 By J. Mervin Thomas, Esq.
 ad Litem

J. Mervin Thomas
 Esq. ad Litem.

Comptroller of the Court

defendants, that the estate in dower of the said Emma F.Scott, in said land be commuted and paid her, and whether she desires the same to be done.

With any matter specially stated, deemed pertinent by himself,
or, required by any of the parties to be so stated.

And if for any reason the said accounts be not commenced on that day, or if commenced be not concluded on that day, the taking of the same will be adjourned from day to day, or from time to time, until the same be completed.

Given under my hand as Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit
Court of the County of Isle of Wight this 19th day of Nov. 1902.

Ans R W K

Commissioner in Chancery

To J.N.Stringfield, Charles H.Stringfield, Mary B.Stringfield,
" Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.R.Council and J.Waverly Thomas guardian
ad litem of Lucy Council, Eva Stringfield and Alice Stringfield.
M. J. Saughorne and E. M. Morrison Trustees.

Take notice, that by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court
of the County of Isle of Wight, entered on the 27th day of Oct. 19-
02, in the chancery suit depending in said court, wherein J.N.
Stringfield, C.H.Stringfield and Mary B. Stringfield are complain-
ants and Emma F.Scott, L.H.Scott, W.R.Council, Lucy Council Eva
M. J. Saughorne and E. M. Morrison Trustees
Stringfield and Alice Stringfield are defendants, I shall on the
~~22nd~~ day of Nov. 1902, at my Office in the town of Smithfield in
the State of Virginia, proceed to take and state the following
accounts, required to be taken and stated by the said decree.

FIRST. Whether the real estate in the bill mentioned can be conven-
iently divided in kind between the several parties entitled to
shares therein without loss or injury.

SECOND. If the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind whether
any party will take the entire land and pay therefor to the other
parties such sum of money as their interest may entitle them to.

THIRD. And if the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind, and,
if no party will take the entire land and pay the others for their
share, whether the interest of those who are entitled to the said
land, or, its proceeds will be promoted by a sale of the entire
property, or by an allotment of a part and sale of the residue.

FOURTH. An account of the debts due by the said J.J.Stringfield,
or his estate, with their priority and dignity.

FIFTH. An account of the liens upon the respective interest of the
heirs at law of the said J.J.Stringfield, with their priority.

SIXTH. Whether or not it would be to the interest of the infant