

1923-007 Chancery Causes: Sidney Ward vs Annie Ward
Isle of Wight County

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other SURNAMES: Green, Hill
Williams, Fowler, Greene

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

Sidney Ward

v.

Annie Ward.

B I L L

2 Oct Rules 1922

Process returned executed

Bill filed, decree nisi

3rd Oct - Rules 1922

*Defendant not appearing
Case set down for hearing*

Law Offices of
JAMES H. CORBITT
SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

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

Your complainant, Sidney Ward, respectfully represents:

1. That on the 13th day of July, 1913, your complainant was lawfully married to Annie Green at the home of Mrs. Green in the County of Nansemond, Virginia, as will appear from a certified copy of the certificate of marriage filed herewith marked "Exhibit A" and made a part of this bill; and,

2. That continuously from the date of said marriage until about the latter part of the month of June, 1920, your complainant and the said Annie Ward lived together as husband and wife; and,

3. That your complainant is advised, and so charges, that the said Annie Ward has, since the aforesaid marriage, committed adultery: that is to say, in the latter part of the month of June, 1920, the said Annie Ward did, voluntarily, wilfully and without any justification whatever, leave your complainant's home for Newport News with Johnnie Williams; that since wilfully abandoning and deserting your complainant the said Annie Ward has had carnal, illicit intercourse with Johnnie Williams, and the said Annie Ward and Johnnie Williams have been living together at No. 651 Twenty-fourth Street, Newport News, Virginia, as man and wife in a constant and continuous state of adultery; that the said Annie Ward and Johnnie Williams are known to the general public as man and wife and that the said Annie Ward has changed her name to, or adopted the name of, Annie Williams; that the said Annie Ward and Johnnie Williams are living together at present as man and wife, and have so lived since leaving your complainant in the month of June, 1920.

4. That your complainant has not seen nor cohabited with

the said Annie Ward since obtaining knowledge of such acts of adultery and since the said Annie Ward wilfully deserted him; that at the time of the institution of this suit it had not been five years since the said acts of adultery occurred, and that the said acts of adultery were not committed by procurement or connivance of your complainant.

5. That your complainant has been domiciled in this State for more than one year next preceding the commencement of this suit, and that he is now domiciled and resides in the County of Isle of Wight, Virginia, the County in which your complainant and the said Annie Ward last cohabited.

In consideration whereof, and forasmuch as your complainant is remediless in the premises, save in a court of equity, your complainant prays that the said Annie Ward may be made a party defendant to this bill, and required, but not on oath, to answer the same, the oath being hereby waived; that proper process issue; that a divorce from the bond of matrimony, which was created by the aforesaid marriage, be decreed your complainant, and that your complainant may have all such further and other and general relief in the premises as the nature of his case may require, or to equity may seem meet.

And your complainant will ever pray, etc.

Sidney Ward

Chas B. Godwin Jr. p.q.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA:

Sgt. J. City J. Newport News
TO THE ~~SHERIFF OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY~~ Greeting:

We command you that you summon Annie Ward.,

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of
Isle of Wight at the rules to be holden for the said Court on the
.....Third.....Monday in.....October....., 1922....., to answer a bill
in chancery exhibited against.....her.....in our said Court by

.....SIDNEY WARD.....

And have then and there this writ.

Witness, R. A. Edwards, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-
house, this.....26TH.....day of.....September....., 1922, and in
the.....147th.....year of the Commonwealth.

R. A. Edwards Clerk.

C. B. Godwin Jr.....p. q.

Sidney Ward

~~Virginia~~ Chancery No.

Annie Ward

ORIGINAL SUBPOENA.

VIRGINIA, Clerk's office of the Circuit
Court of the County of Isle of Wight:

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Returned, entered and filed.

Teste:

Clerk

To 2nd Oct. 1922. Rules.

C. B. Gordon Jr. p.g.

See sgts - return inside

sgts - fee 50¢ paid

C. C. Curtis Sgt.

Executed this the 29th Day
of September 1922, in the
city of Newport News, Virginia,
by delivering a true copy of the
within summons to...

Annie Ward
in person

C. C. Curtis
City Sergeant, City
of Newport News,
Virginia.

JAMES H. CORBITT
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

September 25, 1922.

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County,
Isle of Wight, Va.

Dear Gus:

In re: Sidney Ward v. Annie Ward.

I am enclosing herewith memorandum returnable to second
October rules in the above matter.

Sidney Ward, who resides in your County and who last
co-habited with his wife there, is instituting this suit for
the purpose of getting a divorce. Annie Ward is at present
living in Newport News at 651 Twenty-fourth Street, at the home
of Charlie Statens, and under the name of Annie Williams.

Please issue summons directed to the Sergeant of the City of
Newport News and send same to him at once. The defendant is
leaving for New York next week and it is necessary that I get
service upon her before she leaves.

Thanking you in advance for your favor in this matter,
I am,

Yours very truly,

Chas B. Godwin, Jr.

CBG/K

Sidney Ward,.....Complainant.

v.

Annie Ward,.....Defendant.

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County,
Virginia:

Kindly issue Chancery summons against the above-named
defendant, returnable to the second October rules, 1922.

Chas B Godwin Jr. p.q.

Sidney Ward

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Annex Ward

Memorandum

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Letter

R. A. Edwards
clerk

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JAMES H. CORBITT
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

February 19, 1923.

Mr. R. A. Edwards,
Isle of Wight, Va.

Dear Gus;

In re: Ward v. Ward.

I am enclosing herein notice of taking depositions in the above matter. I would appreciate it if you will fill in dates, place, and your office and send same to be served. Set the date for taking same after the 15th of march as I will be down South from the first until about that time, however as soon thereafter as it is convenient to you I would like to have the matter heard.

Also issue summons against Charlie and Lillie Staten 651 24th Street, Newport News, Va. and against Johnnie Williams who is at present around Wills Store.

Trusting that you will send notice to be served at once and that I will be able to get the matter heard as soon after the 15th as possible.

With kindest regards,

Chas B. Godwin

2/26/23
Sub sent to Sgt U.N. for 2 wit
Notice " " " " Defat.
Sub sent to Subt. Dorr for 1 wit.
Check 1.00 to Sgt & 50 to Subt. Dorr. Advise of same.

W. H. CHAPMAN

SHERIFF OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY

MAGNET. VIRGINIA

Dear Gus:-

Enclosed you will find original summons for Johnnie Williams. You will notice from my return that I was unable to get personal service. Williams was around Wills' stre on the morning I was down there, but could not be located. I drove over to Chuck-atuck, but they had not seen him, so I came back and left the copy with his brother's wife, where he keeps his clothes, but where, I was informed, he had not spent a night in over a month. However, Gilliam and the woman whom I served the copy on, both told me they thought they would see hi before sat. and would make an effort to get him the copy. They did not seem to think he objected to being a witness. Was sorry I could not see him in person.

Yours very truly,

W.H.C.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA:

TO THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT: GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED ^{as heretofore Commanaded} TO SUMMON, JOHNIE WILLIAMS,

TO APPEAR BEFORE R. A. Edwards, a Commissioner in
Chancery of the Circuit Court for the County of
Isle Of Wight, Virginia, at the office of George F.
Whitley, Attorney At Law, in the Town of Smithfield,
County of Isle Of Wight, on Saturday March 17th, 1923,
between the hours of Eleven and One Oclock of the
same day, to testify and the truth to speak in a
deposition then and there to be taken by the afore-
said Commissioner in a cause depending in the The
Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, where-
in Sidney Ward is the Complainant and Annie Ward is
the defendant.

And have then and there this writ and make
known how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand this the 26th day of February
1923.

R. A. Edwards Clerk.

Copy for.

Johnie Williams

at or near.

Hills Store

After searching
diligently I was unable
to find Johnie Williams
in my County nor do
I believe he is a
resident of said
County.

W. H. Chapman
Shuff.

Johnie Williams was
executed the within
by serving a true copy of a
said Johnie Williams
sentence being a member of the family of the said
and over the age of sixteen years in the County of
W. H. Chapman,
14 Mar 23
Mary Ann Williams
Johnie Williams

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA:

TO THE SARGEANT OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS: GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON, Charlie Staten and Lillie Staten to appear before R. A. Edwards, a Commissioner in Chancery of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle Of Wight, Virginia, at the office of George F. Whitley, Attorney At Law, in the Town of Smithfield, County of Isle Of Wight, on Saturday the 17th day of March 1923, between the hours of Eleven and One Oclock of the same day, to testify and the truth to speak, in a deposition then and there to be taken by the aforesaid Commissioner in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Isle Of Wight County, wherein Sidney Ward is the Compalinant and Annie Ward is the defendant.

And have then and there this writ and make known how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand this this the 26th day of February 1923.

R. A. Edwards Clerk.

Executed this the 27th day of February 1923, in the city of Newport News, Virginia, by delivering a true copy of the within summons to Charlie Staten, and Lillie Staten, each in person. (Charlie Staten is in the Newport News Virginia Jail)

C. C. Curtis

City Sergeant for the

City of Newport News, Virginia

By

C. C. Curtis

Deputy Sergeant.

Mrs. Sidney

W. J. Sub. for Writ.

Mrs. Annie

original

*See Sergeant's
return on back*

*Typed \$100 Pd
Sgt. C. C. Curtis*

Sidney Ward.,

V. { Cy No. 396

Annie Ward.,

Depositions of witnesses
in behalf of plaintiff.
Filed 6/15/23.

TO ANNIE WARD, 561 24th Street, Newport News, Virginia:

TAKE NOTICE, that on the 17th day of March, 1923,
at the office of G.F. Whitley, Atty, in Smithfield, Virginia,
between the hours of ~~Ten~~ ^{Eleven A.M.} and ~~Twelve~~ ^{One P.M.}, of that day, I
shall, before R. A. Edwards, Commissioner, proceed to take the
depositions of Johnny Williams, Lillie Staten, Charles
Staten, and others, to be read as evidence in my behalf, in
a certain suit in equity, pending in the Circuit Court of
Isle of Wight County, Virginia, wherein I am complainant
and you are defendant, and if from any cause the taking of
the said depositions be not commenced, or, if commenced, be
not concluded, on that day, the taking thereof will be
adjourned from day to day, at the same place, and between the
same hours, until the same shall be completed.

Given under my hand this 26th day of February, 1923.

Sidney Ward

BY Chas. B. Godwin
Attorney for Complainant.

The depositions of ~~Sidney~~ Ward and Johnnie Williams taken before me
R.A. Edwards, Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of the County
of Isle of Wight, Va., on the 17th day of March, 1923, in the office of
Geo. F. Whitley in the town of Smithfield, Va., and County of Isle of Wight,
pursuant to the annexed notice and the depositions of Wesley Hill, Fannie
Williams and Minor Fowler taken before me, Commissioner as aforesaid, for
the Circuit Court aforesaid, in the County and State aforesaid, on the 13th
day of June, 1923, at Isle of Wight Courthouse, the taken of said depositions
on the last mentioned date having been adjourned from the 17th day of March,
1923, until this date.

The ~~xxix~~ said depositions are to be read in evidence in the
chancery cause now pending in the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County,
in which Sidney Ward is the plaintiff, and Annie Ward, the defendant.

Executed this the 27th day of February 1923, in the city of Newport News,
Virginia, by delivering a true copy of the within notice to Annie Ward,
in person.

City Sergeant, for the city of
Newport News, Virginia.

By C. C. Curtis
Deputy Sergeant.

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Ward, Sidney
vs } Notice
Ward, Annie

See Sergeant's
return inside.

Dy to fee 50¢
Paid
to C. C. Curtis - Sgt

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Sidney Ward being duly sworn deposes and saith as follows.

Q. What is your name, age and occupation and residence.

A. My name is Sidney Ward, I am 43 years old, I live in Isle Of Wight County and work on a farm.

Q. How long have you lived in Isle Of Wight County, Virginia.

A. I have lived in the County of Isle Of Wight, Virginia all my life, 43 years

Q. Are you married or single.

A. I am married.

Q. When and where were you married.

A. I was married in Nansemond County on the 13th day of July 1913.

Q. To whom were you married.

A. I was married to Annie Green.

Q. Where ~~was~~^{is} the place that you and your wife lived together last as man and wife.

A. Near Longview in Isle Of Wight County,.

Q. Were there any children born of the said marriage.

A. No sir, there were not.

Q. You have alledged that since your marriage to Annie Green that she has deserted you and has been living in a constant state of adultery, with Johnie Williams in Newport News, Virginia, please state when Annie Ward left you.

A. She left me during the latter part of June 1920,

Q. Why did she leave you.

A. I do not know why she left, I was off at work and when I came home I found that she had gone away.

Q. When she left your house where did she go.

A. When I first found out where she was, she was in Newport News.

Q. Where was she living in Newport News.

A. From a letter that I got from her, she was living on 24th Street in Newport News.

Q. I hand you a letter purporting to have been written by Annie Ward signed Annie Williams, was that letter written and received from Annie Ward.

A. Yes sir it was.

(The letter is introduced in evidence, marked exhibit A.).

Q. Was she living alone at the time that you heard from her.

A. No sir.

Q. Who was she living with at the time.

A. She was living with Johnnie Williams at his sisters house.

Q. How do you know this to be true.

A. I heard that she had been arrested for living with Johnnie Williams and I went over there to find out about it, and I found out that she had been arrested and been in jail thirty days for living with Johnnie Williams without being married to him. I talked to her about her self and she said I am not going to tell you any story, I have been living with a man every since I left you.

Q. Did you in any way cause her to desert you.

A. No sir.

Q. Have you lived with her as man and wife since the day that she first left you.

A. No sir I have never seen her but once and that was the day I went to Newport News.

Q. Has your conduct since your wife left you been such as would in your opinion entitle you to a divorce.

A. Yes sir, I think so.

Further this deponent saith not.

Sidney Ward

Johnnie Williams being duly sworn deposes and saith as follows.

C. Please state your name, your age, residence and occupation.

A. My name is Johnnie Williams, I am 29 years old, live in Isle Of Wight County, Virginia and work on a farm part of my time and on boats the other part.

Q. Do you know Sidney and Annie Ward who are the complainants and defendant in this suit.

A. yes I know them.

Q. Do you know that they were ever married and lived together.

A. Yes I know that they were married several years ago and lived together for some time.

C. Where did they live together.

A. They lived together in Isle Of Wight County near Long View.

C. Have they been living together recently.

A. No sir, Annie left Sidney and came to Newport News and has been living there since that time.

Q. How long has it been since she left Sidney.

A. I can't say exactly but think it was in the summer of 1920.

C. Have you seen Annie Ward in Newport News since the time she left her husband.

A. Yes sir I have seen her right often over there.

C. Were you living in Newport News at the time she left Sidney.

A. Yes sir I was living there and working in the Ship Yard.

C. Where did she live when she came to Newport News.

A. I do not know where she was living when she first came to Newport News but I met her at a show one night and went to a ladies house with her and she told me that she had left Sidney.

C. When did you again see her after this night.

A. I saw her lots of times, she would at times come to the house that I was stopping at.

Q. Did she come there to see you.

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you ever live in the same house with her.

A. Yes I was renting a house and she came and asked me if she could stay there so I let her have a room in the house.

Q. Where was the room situated that she occupied in this house.

A. It was down stairs, the house did not have any up stairs.

Q. While living ⁱⁿ this house with you did you ever have intercourse with her.

A. yes sir.

Q. In who's room.

A. In her room.

Q. How often would go into her room for this purpose.

A. I do not know just exactly, but could go as often as I wanted too, but did go as often as twice a week some weeks.

Q. How long did she live in this house that you were living in and renting

A. She lived there something like six months.

Q. Were you ever arrested in Newport News for having illegal intercourse with Annie Ward.

A. Yes sir she and I were at a certain house one night in Newport News and the police raided it and arrested us and we were tried and sentenced to thirty days in jail for fornication.

Q. When did she come to live at your house.

A. It was in the summer time of 1920.

Q. Was that the time that you had sexual intercourse with her.

A. Yes it was during that time.

Q. About when were you arrested.

A. It was during the summer of 1921 as well as I can remember.

Q. You have stated that you and Annie Ward were arrested in a certain house in Newport News, please state what kind of a house this was.

A. It was a house that you could buy liquor and it had rooms in it that could be gotten to take a woman for anything that you wanted.

And further your deponent saith not. *This*

Witness

R. A. Eden Dd.

John X. Williams
mk

Wesley Hill being duly sworn deposes and says as follows;

Q. Wesley do you know Annie and Sidney Ward.

A. Yes, I know them.

Q. Do you know whether or not they have been living together for the past three or four years;

A. No sir, they have not been living together since they separated and she went to Newport News.

Q. Where has Sidney Ward been living since he and Annie separated.

A. He has been living in Isle Of Wight County at his home near Long View.

Q. Where has Annie Ward been living during that time.

A. In Newport News I suppose for every time I go there I see her.

Q. Have you lived in Newport News since June 1920.

A. Yes, I went to Newport News in August 1921 and lived there until March 1922.

Q. While in Newport News where did you live.

A. I lived at Charlie Staten's house.

Q. Who else lived in that house besides you.

A. John L. Jones, Walter Williams and Johnnie Williams and Annie Ward lived in there.

Q. While living in that house were Johnnie Williams and Annie Ward living and passing as man and wife.

A. Yes they were.

Q. Do you know that they slept together in the same room.

A. I know that they went into the same room and suppose they slept together as they did not have but one room between them.

Q. Did they live that way the entire time you were over there.

A. Yes they did.

Q. Under what name was Annie Ward known while she was living with Johnnie Williams in Newport News.

A. I reckon she was known as Annie Williams as I heard people calling her Mrs Williams.

Q. Do you know whether or not Sidney and Annie Ward have ever lived together since they separated.

A. No, they have not lived together that I know of.

Q. Have you ever seen them together.

A. No sir, I have not.

And further this deponent saith, not.

Wesley X Hill
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Witness

R. A. Eamond

Fannie Williams being duly sworn deposes and saith as follows.

Q. Where do you live.

A. I live in Isle Of Wight County near Longview.

Q. How far do you live from where Sidney Ward lives.

A. We live near enough together to talk to each other from our houses.

Q. Do you do any work for Sidney Ward at any time.

A. Yes sir I clean up his house and make his bed.

Q. How long have you been doing this work.

A. I have been doing it every since Annie left him.

Q. Have you ever seen her in Isle Of Wight County since they seperated.

A. No sir I have never seen her since that time over here.

Q. Has Sidney Ward ever lived with Annie Ward as man and wife since Annie left him.

A. No sir he has not.

And further this deponent saith not.

Attest.

R. A. Edwards

Fannie Williams

mk

Minor Fowler being duly sworn deposes and saith as follows.

Q. Where do you live. ~~Q. How old~~

A. In Isle Of Wight County near Long View.

Q. How near do you live to Sidney Ward.

A. I live about one hundred yards, from him.

Q. Have Sidney Ward and Annie Ward lived together since they seperated and she went to Newport News.

A. No sir, they have not and in fact I havent seen her in three or four years.

Q. Has Sidney lived there near you every since he and his wife seperated.

A. Yes sir every since.

Q. How old ~~are~~ you Minor.

A. I am now about 84 years old.

And further this deponent saith not.

Minor ^{by} Fowler
mk

Witness.

R. A. Edmunds.

STATE OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT, TO-WIT:

I, R. A. Edwards, Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, Va., do certify that the foregoing depositions of Sidney Ward, Johnnie Williams, Wesley Hill, Fannie Williams and Minor Fowler, were duly taken and subscribed too before me, after said witnesses had been duly sworn, at the places and on the dates, as herein before stated, pursuant to the notice mentioned in the caption hereof.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of June, 1923.

R. A. Edwards Jr.
Commissioner in Chancery

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c. 100 ft. above 10
507 22 Street

Mr. Sidney

Dear Sir I wrote
you a letter the last time,
and I haven't got an answer
yet I give you the privilege
any time you want you
divorce from me you know
that I am you are not in
good mode and will never be
one if you see some one you
want to be your companion
you can do so and good luck
and Prosperity to you may God
bless you and keep you until
we meet again.

Yours Annie Williams

"Exhibit A"

When she left you? July 3 Sunday.
Who she went with: - young wife
Who I know they are leaving together
Charles Stetson. 651 - 24th Street.

See Nelson. Saw them leave.
And out if ever arrested.

VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY.

Sidney Ward, Complainant :

v. :

Annie Ward, Defendant :

in which the defendant has been served in person with process.
This cause, came on this day to be heard upon the

complainant's bill and the exhibits filed therewith; and the
after notice served in person upon the defendant.
depositions taken in Isle of Wight County, Virginia, before
R. A. Edwards, a Commissioner in Chancery, and filed on behalf
of the complainant; and was argued by counsel.

~~On consideration whereof, and~~ *and* it appearing to the
Court independantly of the admission of either party in the
pleadings or otherwise, that the said parties were lawfully
married on the 13th day of July, 1913, that continuously from
the date of said marriage until the latter part of the month of
June, 1920, the complainant and the respondent lived together
in Isle of Wight County, Virginia
as husband and wife; that since the aforesaid marriage *to wit,*
~~Annie Ward wilfully and without justification deserted Sidney~~
~~Ward;~~ that during the summer of 1920 in the City of Newport News,
Virginia, said Annie Ward and Johnnie Williams lived together as
man and wife in constant and continuous state of adultery; that
the said ~~Sidney Ward~~ *Complainant* has not co-habited with the said Annie Ward
since obtaining knowledge of the said acts of adultery; that at
the time of the institution of this suit it had not been five
years since the acts of adultery occurred; that the said acts of
adultery were not committed by *the* procurement or connivance of the
said ~~Sidney Ward~~ *Complainant*; that the said ~~Sidney Ward~~ *Complainant* has not condoned the
said acts of adultery; that both the said Sidney Ward and Annie
Ward have resided and have been domiciled in this State ever since

the aforesaid marriage, ~~and for more than one year next preceding~~
~~the commencement of this suit;~~ that the said ^{parties} Sidney Ward and Annie
^{on consideration whereof} Ward last cohabited in Isle of Wight County; the Court doth adjudge
order and decree that the said Sidney Ward and Annie Ward be di-
vorced from the bond of matrimony which was created by the afore-
said marriage, and that the said marriage be, and the same hereby
is, dissolved; ~~and annulled,~~ ^{but neither of the parties hereto shall re-marry}
^{within six months from the date of the entry hereof.}
And it is ordered that the said Sidney Ward shall
pay all costs rendered in the prosecution of this suit; and,
nothing further remaining to be done in this suit, it is further
ordered that the same be removed from the docket, but leave is
reserved to the parties, or either of them, to make application
to this Court for such further orders as are authorized by law.

Emily Ward
153 Du chy.
Aunie Ward

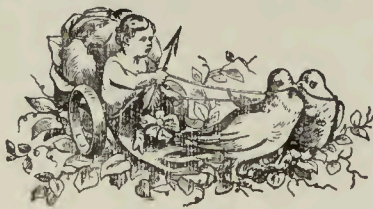
Dress,

1923
July 2.
Enter this.
B.D.W.

0 B. # 8

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MARRIAGE LICENSE



Virginia Mason County to-wit:

To any Person Licensed to Celebrate Marriages:

You are hereby authorized to join together in the Holy State of Matrimony, according to the rites and ceremonies of your Church, or religious denomination, and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

Sidney Ward
and Annie Green

Given under my hand, as Clerk of the Circuit Court
of Mason Co. this 12th day of July 1913

H. E. Bunting Clerk
S. J. Parker, H. C.

CERTIFICATE TO OBTAIN A MARRIAGE LICENSE, AS AMENDED BY ACT OF FEBRUARY 16, 1910.

Time of Marriage, 1913 July 13
Place of Marriage, Mason Co. Va.
Full Names of Parties Married, Sidney Ward & Annie Green
Race (white or colored), Colored
Age of Husband, 33 yrs.
Age of Wife, 23 yrs.
Condition of Husband, Single
Condition of Wife, Single

Place of Husband's Birth, Lebanon, W. Va.
Place of Wife's Birth, Mason Co. Va.
Place of Husband's Residence, Mason Co. Va.
Place of Wife's Residence, Mason Co. Va.
Names of Husband's Parents, Edmund Ward & Missouri his wife
Names of Wife's Parents, Jerry Green & Maria his wife
Occupation of Husband, Salvager

Given under my hand this 12th day of July 1913
H. E. Bunting Clerk
S. J. Parker, H. C.

Certificate of Time and Place of Marriage

I, J. B. Wrench, a minister of the Baptist Church, or religious order of that name, do certify that on the 13th day of July 1913, at the home Mrs. Green, under authority of the above license, I united in Marriage the persons named and described therein.

Given under my hand this 14th day of July 1913

J. B. Wrench (Rus) J. B. Wrench

The minister or other person celebrating a marriage is required, within thirty (30) days thereafter, to return the license and certificate of the Clerk and his certificate of the time and place at which the marriage was celebrated to the Clerk who issued the license; failure to comply with these requirements of the law makes the minister or other person celebrating the marriage liable to a fine of not less than ten nor more than twenty dollars for each offense (See Section 222 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, by Act approved February 16th, 1910, Acts 1910, chapter 28, pages 36 and 37.)

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JAMES H. CORBITT
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

October 3rd, 1922.

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Isle of Wight, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

In re: Ward v. Ward.

I am in receipt of your letter advising me that process has been duly executed on the above named defendant. I appreciate your promptness and favor in attending to this matter for me, and I am herewith enclosing my check in the amount of \$7.50 to cover deposit in this suit.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Chas B. Gidner, Jr.

CBG/V

JAMES H. CORBITT
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW
SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

October 9th, 1922.

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Isle of Wight, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

In re: Ward v. Ward.

I am enclosing herewith bill in the above matter.

I trust that you have received check to cover deposit.

Yours very truly,

Chas B. Godwin J

CBG/V

Charles B. Godwin, Jr.
Attorney at Law
Suffolk, Virginia

COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY FOR
NANSEMOND COUNTY

June 26, 1923.

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Isle of Wight C. H., Va.

Dear Gus:-

In re: Ward vs. Ward.

I am enclosing herein papers in the above case. I have drawn the decree, which you will find attached to bill. I trust that you will present them to the Judge and ask that the decree be entered.

I did not find in the papers your bill, please let me have same.

Yours very truly,

Chas. B.

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