

1903-017

Nansemond Co (Suffolk) Chancery Causes: Robert H. Randall et al ^{by} vs Martha Brown et al

Hodsden, Whiting, Copeland, Gwathmey, Gale, Briggs, Urguhart,
Royster, Baker, Johnson, Jenkins, Thomas, Oliver

Randall and others vs Brown and others-

Received of R.H.Rawles and Lee Britt, Special Commission-
ers in the above cause the sum of two dollars and ninety
five cents in payment of amount due me as distributee
in said cause.

November 3, 1900.

W. J. Gofford

Rec'd of R.H.Rawles and Lee Britt Special
Commissioners in the above cause the sum
of one & 4/100 dollars in payment of amount
due me as distributee in said cause
Feb'y 14, 1903.

Mary Gale

Vaccinaria

L. R. BRITT & CO.,

Wholesale Grocers,

No. 12 Nivison Street, NORFOLK, VA.

\$ 1473
x x

Norfolk, Va., Oct 25 1901

Received of R. H. Rawles, Lee Britt Special Commr in
Chancery cause of Randall vs Brown the sum of
Fourteen & 73/100

is payment of my distributive share in case of
Randall vs Brown now pending in the Circuit Court
of Housewoud County. Dollars.

Acct of Consignment

Witness

R. E. Parker

May J. Noddin

Mark

\$1.40 Reid of Lee Bill & R. H. Rawles special
1.40 Comm in Cam of R. H. Randall do
1.40 or Menta Brown do me + $\frac{46}{100}$ dollars,
1.40 each, in full payment of amounts
due to us in said suit from each of
land. July 27. 1901. + Catharine Jenkins

Witness:—
James Woodward

Alida B. B. S.
James Johnson
John Robert ^{son} Johnson
newell

\$1⁴⁰/₁₀₀

Rec'd of Lee Britt & H. H. Reeve,
Special Commr in R. H. Randall
State of Montana Broom & Co. Inc.
+ $\frac{40}{100}$ dollar in fees of the out
dun in said claim per roll of
land. July 27. 1901.

Mildith Johnson

1 $\frac{41}{100}$ Recd of Mess. Lee Britt & R. H. Rowles
one & $\frac{41}{100}$ dollars in full of the amount due
me in the suit of R. H. Rowles et al vs
Martha Brown et al in the Circuit Court
of Nassau County: from sale of land.
Jury 26 - 1901. Mariah Briggs

\$9 $\frac{82}{100}$ Recd of Lee Britt & R.H.
Rawles special Commis in the cause
of R.H. Randall who is Martha Brown
Widow's heirs $\pm \frac{82}{100}$ dollar in full
of the amt due on in said
cause for my interest in land.
July 26 - 1801.

Chas Randall

\$ 9 $\frac{82}{100}$ Recd of Lee Brill & R.H. Rawls
Special Commr in the suit of R.H. Randall
vs Martha Brown who have $\frac{82}{100}$ dol -
been in full payment of the amount
coming from the sale of the land
mentioned in each suit July 22 (1861)
Witness:

~~Martha~~
R.H. Randall

Martha ^{her} Brown
mark

#180

Recd of R. H. Rawles & Lee
Britt special Commr in Randall vs
Brown the $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars for recording
deed due me in said suit. sft
23. 1801.

J. J. Williams

\$10⁰⁰ Recd of Lee Britt & R.H. Rawles Ten dollars
in full settlement and release of all our right
and interests in the Honey Creek Copeland land
involved in the chancery suit of Robt. H. Randall
vs Martha Brown sold in Hamilton County
Circuit Court, said Britt & Rawles being special
commis in said cause. Apr. 23. 1901.

Darah G. Burney,
Lelia W. Hornsollen,
P. J. Kervodde

[Receipt to be given by County or City Treasurer when Delinquent Land Taxes are paid before sale.]

\$ ⁷⁹
1. ~~75~~

Office of the Treasurer of the

County of Nassau
Nov 9 1900 189,

RECEIVED of

Alfred B. Randall Est

One

Dollars and

Seventy nine

Cents,

in payment of Delinquent Taxes due on 25 acres of land for the year 1899, as follows:

State Taxes, ... \$ 60

County Levies for all purposes, ... 76

Interest, ... 05

Proportionate expense of advertising 35

Total, ... \$ 179

Paid by J. A. Rawls & L. C. Britt Spl Comr

Randal v. S. Brown

W. A. King
Treasurer.

Mr. Alfred Randall Esq Dr.
 1900.

To S. T. ELLIS, Treasurer of Nansemond County, Va.

No.----- No. of Acres	State Tax, 30c. on \$100.	State School Tax, 10c. on \$100.	County Levy, 30c. on \$100.	Parish Levy, 8c. on \$100.	County School Tax, 5c. on \$100.	District School Tax, 5c. on \$100.	County Road Tax, 15c. on \$100.	TOTAL TAX.
25								
To Real Estate, value \$150	45	15	45	12	8	7	23	155
" Personal Property, value \$								
" " " " " value \$								
" Poll Taxes		1 00					50	
Total								
5 per cent. additional								
Total								

Received payment 9th day of November 1900.
 R. A. Rawls & Lee Brittle Spl Comrs
 Randall v. S. Brown

W. A. Ellis
 Per _____ Treasurer,

\$7 $\frac{82}{100}$ Recd of R H Lawler & Lee Britt Special
Commrs in cheday Comm of Randall ex Brown
vs Nims & $\frac{82}{100}$ dollars in full payment of my
pro rata share of the sale of land in said
Cause. Apr. 6. 1901.

R H Randall

Robert Randall & others

\$900

To A. P. GOMER, Clerk Circuit Court of Nansemond County, Dr.

Nov 5th

~~Tax and~~ Clerk Fees in suit in Chancery MS

Martha Brown & others

\$ 11.01

Paid by Geo Britt & Spec
Jas Racoles & Comrs.

A. P. Gomer Clerk

Robert Randall & others

1899

To A. P. GOMER, Clerk Circuit Court of Nansemond County, Dr.

Aug 31st Tax ~~and Clerk Fees~~ in suit in Chancery vs

Martha Brown & others

\$ 1.50

Paid by Geo Burt & Spc
v R Hawles & Cms

A. P. Gomer Clerk.

SOUTHERN STATES PHONE, No. 2932.

SOUTHERN BELL PHONE, No. 124.

COMMISSIONER IN CHANCERY.

LAW OFFICES OF

LEE BRITT.

SUFFOLK, VA., Nov. 9, 1900.

Received of R.H.Rawles and Lee Britt, Special Commissioners in chancery cause of R.H.Randall and others vs Martha Brown and others the sum of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) in payment of fee as crier of land sold May 14, 1900 under authority of decree in said cause.

J. Walter
Crier.

A UCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LAND!

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county rendered on the 11th day of April, 1900, in the chancery cause of Robert Randall et als. vs. Mary Brown et als., we, the undersigned special commissioners, will proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, before the Courthouse door of this county,

ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 1900,

(that being court day), at 11 o'clock A. M., the following valuable tract of land, situated near the town of Suffolk, and in Chuckatuck district, Nansemond county, Virginia, containing twenty-five (25) acres, more or less, and fronting on the "Pitch Kettle" county road leading to Suffolk, and adjoining the Reynolds or Smith tract of land and the land of Joseph T. Williams, and generally known as the "Randall land."

TERMS.—One-half cash, and the balance on credit of six months, with interest from day of sale; but with the option to the purchaser to pay the whole in cash if so desired.

LEE BRITT,
R. H. RAWLES,

ap27-2t

Special Commissioners.

I, A. P. Gomer, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county, do certify that Lee Britt and R. H. Rawles, special commissioners in the chancery cause of Robert Randall et als. vs. Mary Brown et als., have given the bond required by the decree in said cause with security deemed sufficient by me.

Given under my hand this 24th day of April, 1900.

A. P. GOMER, Clerk.

VIRGINIA—NANSEMOND COUNTY,
to wit: In the Clerk's office of the
Circuit Court of said county, in vacation,
this 30th day of August, 1899—

Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W. F.
Copeland, Alice Baker, William John-
son, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson,
Didemma Johnson, James Johnson and
John R. Johnson, the last three being
infants under the age of twenty-one
years, who sue by their next friend, Wil-
liam Henry Johnson.....Plaintiffs,

AGAINST

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsden, Mar-
garet Whiting, Caroline Randall, An-
drew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wort-
ley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland,
Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria
Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale,
Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Hattie
Royster.....Defendants.

The object of this suit is to ask for a de-
cree for partition or sale of a certain tract
of land situated in Nansemond county, Vir-
ginia, near Suffolk, containing about twenty-
five acres, and adjoining the lands of
J. T. Williams and the Reynolds or Smith
tract, and sometimes known as the Ran-
dall land, belonging to the above parties;
and affidavit having been made and filed
in this office that Margaret Whiting, Caro-
line Randall, J. Robinson Copeland, Alfred
Gale and Indiana Gale are non-residents
of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that
the said defendants Margaret Whiting,
Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland,
Alfred Gale and Indian Gale appear at the
said Clerk's office within fifteen days after
due publication hereof and do what may
be necessary to protect their interest in
this suit.

And it is ordered that a copy of this or-
der be published once a week for four suc-
cessive weeks in the SUFFOLK HERALD,
and be posted at the front door of the
Courthouse of said county on the first day
of the next County Court for said county
after the date of this order.

sel-4t

A. P. GOMER, Clerk.

ESTABLISHED 1873.

Suffolk, Va., Nov 9 1900.

Messrs R H Rawley & Co Butte Sp
 TO SUFFOLK HERALD, Dr. *Coring*
 Newspaper and Job Printing Establishment

No. 9 WASHINGTON SQUARE.

TERMS OF THIS BILL, NET CASH.

1899	Sep 1	20 Pub Notice Randall	
	Jan 19	vs Brown et al 5 in 400	7.00
	Apr 27	To Adv Sale of Randalls	
		Land 4 in 2 Weeks	4.00
		100 Bills Notice of Sale	11.00
		Recd Eight Dollars	1.20
		part pay made of above	12.00
		Nov 13 1900 H. B. Boker	

Received of R.H.Rawles and Lee Britt, Special Commission-
ers in chancery cause of Randall et als vs Martha Brown
et als the sum of six dollars in payment of sheriff's
fees in said cause. *A M Baker Sheriff*

Nov. 2, 1900.

Received of R.H.Rawles and Lee Britt, Special Commission-
ers in chancery cause of Randall et als vs Martha Brown
and others the sum of ten dollars in payment of fee as
Commissioner for report made in said cause.

Oct.22,1900.

John B. Finney
Clerk in Chg.

LAW OFFICES OF

LEE BRITT.

SUFFOLK, VA.,

Nov 2, 1900

Rec'd of R.H. Rawles & Lee Britt, Special
Commissioners in Chancery Case of R.H. Randoll
Docten vs Martha Brown Docten fees paid
Sheriffs of Norfolk County, Elizabeth City County
and Sergeant of Portsmouth amounting to
five dollars.

R.H. Randoll

\$2⁴⁵ Recd of Lee Britt & R H Beechley special Comm in
Randall vs Brown in chancery now pending in the
Circuit court of Hayswood County two $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars
in full of amt due me or one of the distributees in
said case. Nov. 19. 1802.

Witness

Lewis^{his} X Randall
Mark

Dary E. P.

Suffolk Co Dec 14, 1778

To Hon. L^d Chief Just

These being my sister
maria Raigee the money due

me as her share of the estate of
her father

John Raigee

Peter Gale

Received of F. H. Lawton and Lee Britt, Special Commissioners
in the chancery cause of Robert H. Randall and others against
Martha Brown and others, pending in the chancery Court of Bangor-
land, the sum of one dollar and forty one cents, being the
amount due me, Peter Gale, as one of the distributees in said cause
Feb. 10, 1867.

Peter gale By Mariah Briggs

\$2 $\frac{45}{100}$

Recd of R. H. Rowles and
Ler Britt Two & $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars
in full of rent coming to
me for my share of land
and in chancery suit of
Robt. H. Rowdell vs Martha
Brown etc. Sept. 11. 1901

Annie M Thomas

\$245-

245-

Reed of R.H. Rawley & Lee
with Two & $\frac{45}{100}$ dollars
each of us in full of
our share of the Cancer Society
in charge rent of R.H.
Randall in Maria Brown
St. Ch. Sep. 11, 1890.

Hattie Royster

Phillie Randall

Alfred R. all Est

Sale & expense

1899

\$ 1.79

Sale

1900 -

1.55

3.34



No. 1
ach 19 1900
189

To R. H. Rawles Leeds N.Y.

For _____

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	71	75
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 2
Oct 22 1900
To Mrs. R. Pinner ^{Comr}
For Fee in Bondall's
House

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	10	00
Bal. car'd ford		

No.

3

Nov 2 1900
~~189~~

129

To Robt H. Randall

For Advanced Sheriff's License
in Portland, Me.

in Randall's Mouth

DOLLARS. CENTS.

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt.this check

500

Bal. car'd ford

No. 4
Nov 2 1900

To A. H. Baker, Sheriff

For Costs of Sheriff in
Warrant for Arrest

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.
6	00

No. 5
Nov 3 1900
~~189~~
 To W. J. Capeland
 For liquid in Pendueen
iron ore

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	<u>2.</u>	<u>95</u>
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 6

Nov 13 1892

To J. E. Barker

For Admission

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	8	00
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 1223 19-0
189

To W. H. Wells

For Uchtoral

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	2	50
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 8
New 3 ¹⁹⁰⁰
189
To S. T. Ellis Treas
For Taxes for 1899-1900

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	3	34
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 9
May 13 1890
To W. D. Turner
For Merchandise

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.
47	01

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No. 10

To Rev. J. H. Ford

For Antislavery

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	14	75
Bal. car'd ford		

All Available Text Successfully Captured

No. 11 189

To Margaret Harding
for Distribution

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
al. brot. ford.		
mt. deposited		
Total		
amt. this check	<u>14</u>	<u>23</u>
al. car'd ford		

No. 11

SUFFOLK, VA. 189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

Margaret Harding
Distribution 100 DOLLARS
\$ 14 ²³/₁₀₀ RARawley

PAUL & FALCONER CO. BALTO

All Available Text Successfully Captured

No. _____

189

To *Indemnity Fund*

For *Indemnity*

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS. CENTS.

No. _____

SUFFOLK, VA. _____

189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

DOLLARS

100

\$

PAUL & FALCONER CO BALTO



paid by check no 100
90
100
Saved

RA Rawls

No. 110

189

To Wm. H. Speland

For Interest

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

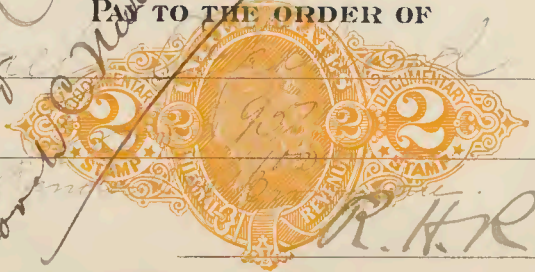
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SUFFOLK, VA.

189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



DOLLARS

\$

93
100

Handwritten: Paid by check
No 114
No 100
Suffolk

Handwritten signature: R. H. Rawley

No. _____

789

To William H. Ford

For interest

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. _____

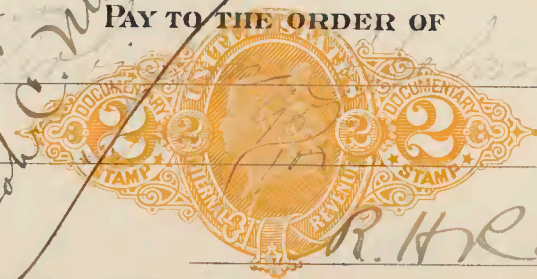
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189 _____

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

check
paid by W. H. Ford
No 40
Sarah C. Ford



100 DOLLARS

\$

R. H. Rawls

PAUL & FALCONER CO BALFO

No. 189

To Wm. S. Smith

For Wm. S. Smith

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

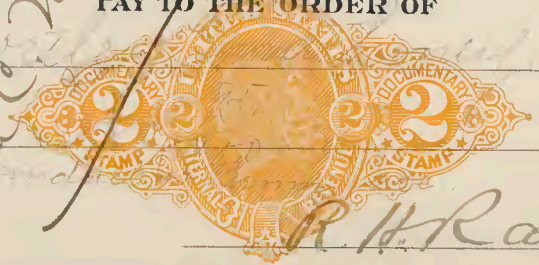
Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 189 SUFFOLK, VA. 189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



100 DOLLARS

\$

Handwritten: Paid by Wm. S. Smith to Wm. S. Smith

Handwritten signature: R. H. Rawley

No. 15

May 3 1897

To From Bank

For with bank

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 189

189

To Car'd Ford

For Interest

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check		
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 189

189

To H. B. Randall

For Travel - 1892

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 28

189

To Wm. Ford

For Wm. Ford

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	2	45
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 189

To Wm. H. Ford

For Wm. H. Ford

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 223

189

To Wm. H. Hall

For Wm. H. Hall

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	2	40
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 30

189

To Willie M. Hall

For W. M. Hall

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

189

To William Brewster.

For 1000000

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.
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No. _____

SUFFOLK, VA. 189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

DOLLARS

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PAUL & FALCONER CO BALTO

No. 28-

189

To Mary Hale

For scribble

Bal. brot.ford.

Amt.deposited

Total

Amt.this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 189

To Amos J. Giddell

For Distribution

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 189

SUFFOLK, VA. 189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



100 DOLLARS

\$

PAUL & FALCONER CO BALTO

No. 37

189

To Martha Briggs

For rent

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. _____

189 _____

To _____

For _____

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. _____

189 _____

To Wm. H. Lee

For _____

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 29

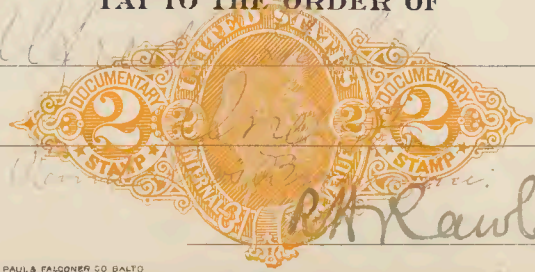
W.H.

SUFFOLK, VA.

189 _____

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



Distributed in Nans.

\$

200

100 DOLLARS

R.H. Rawley

No. 30 189

To Edna's sale

For withd'n

	DOLLARS.	CENTS.
Bal. brot. ford.		
Amt. deposited		
Total		
Amt. this check	<u>1</u>	<u>41</u>
Bal. car'd ford		

No. 138 Phil

SUFFOLK, VA. 189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



Edna's sale 100 DOLLARS

withd'n

\$ 1 41

R. H. Rawles

No. 13

189

To Rich. Baker

For Debit 7.00

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

No. 189

To Am...

For ...

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 189

SUFFOLK, VA.

189

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



DOLLARS

\$ 1.00

PAUL & FALCONER CO BALTO

No. 33

189

To Wm. B. Brown

For Five

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

No. 2

189

To Credit of John

For Contribution

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 3

189

To Widow Mary Ann

For Widow Mary Ann

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

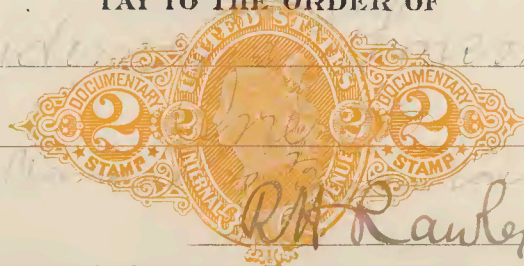
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SUFFOLK, VA.

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FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND

PAY TO THE ORDER OF



100 DOLLARS

\$ 100

PAUL & FALCONER CO. BALTO

No. 136

189

To James H. Brown

For W. H. Ford

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

No. 189

189

To Small Business

For Interest

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

No. _____

189

To _____

For _____

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

No. _____

189 _____

To _____

For _____

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.

No. 40
Date Apr 23 1901
To Sarah Murney
For Lula W. Hemmelle

Bal. brot. ford

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

DOLLARS.	CENTS.
10	—

No.

41

Apr. 23 1901

To

T. D. Smith

For

Joseph T. Williams

Bal. brot. ford.

Amt. deposited

Total

Amt. this check

Bal. car'd ford

Receivable may date

DOLLARS.

CENTS.

1 80

**REMAINING
PAGES IN
VOLUME ARE
BLANK AND
HAVE NOT
BEEN
REFORMATTED**



1900.

Farmers Bank of Nansemond

SUFFOLK, VA.

In Account with

R. H. Rawley & Lee Bush
The Currier's
Randall VS Brown

FARMERS BANK OF NANSEMOND,
SUFFOLK, VA.

Dr.

IN ACCOUNT WITH

1900 *IF*
May 19 Deft \$117.50
Sept 28 " 120.10
Oct 19 " 23.60

R. H. Rawles & Lee Britt,
Exe Conrs

Cr.

1900 Randale vs Brown

Date	Deft	Cr.
Oct 1	Deft	23.60
" 19	R. H. Rawles	71.75
" 22	Geo B. Rimmer	10.00
Nov 2	J. E. Booker	0.00
" 2	R. H. Rawles	5.00
" 2	A. N. Baker, Sheriff	6.00
" 3	W. F. Copeland	2.95
" 3	J. E. Booker	8.00
" "	J. W. Hosier	2.50
" "	S. T. Ellis	3.34
" "	A. P. Gorman	11.01
" "	Mary J. Haskins	14.73
" "	Margaret Whiting	14.73
	Forward	\$150.01

1900				
No 3		Amt Forward	\$150.01	
" "		Caroline Randle	12	14 73
" "		Andrew Speland	13	2 95
" "		Israel Speland	14	2 95
" "		Erasmus Speland	15	2 95
" "		Northey Mathney	16	2 95
" "		Chas Randall	17	9 82
" "		Paultha Benson	18	9 82
" "		Edw Randall	19	9 82
" "		Hattie Rogers	20	3 40
" "		Minie Thomas	31	2 45
" "		Linus Randall	22	2 45
" "		Willie Randall	23	2 45
" "		Frederica Thurgum	24	1 41
" "		Mary Gale	25	1 41
		Forward		\$218 62

1900

1-23 Bank owned \$218.62

" " Annie Randall 26 1 41

" " Maria Biggs 27 1 41

" " Peter Gale 28 1 41

" " Alfred Gale 29 1 41

" " Indiana Gale 30 1 41

" " Alice Baker 31 1 40

" " William Johnson 32 1 40

" " Callie Johnson 33 1 40

" " Meredith Johnson 34 1 40

" " Edith Mae Johnson 35 1 40

" " James Johnson 36 1 40

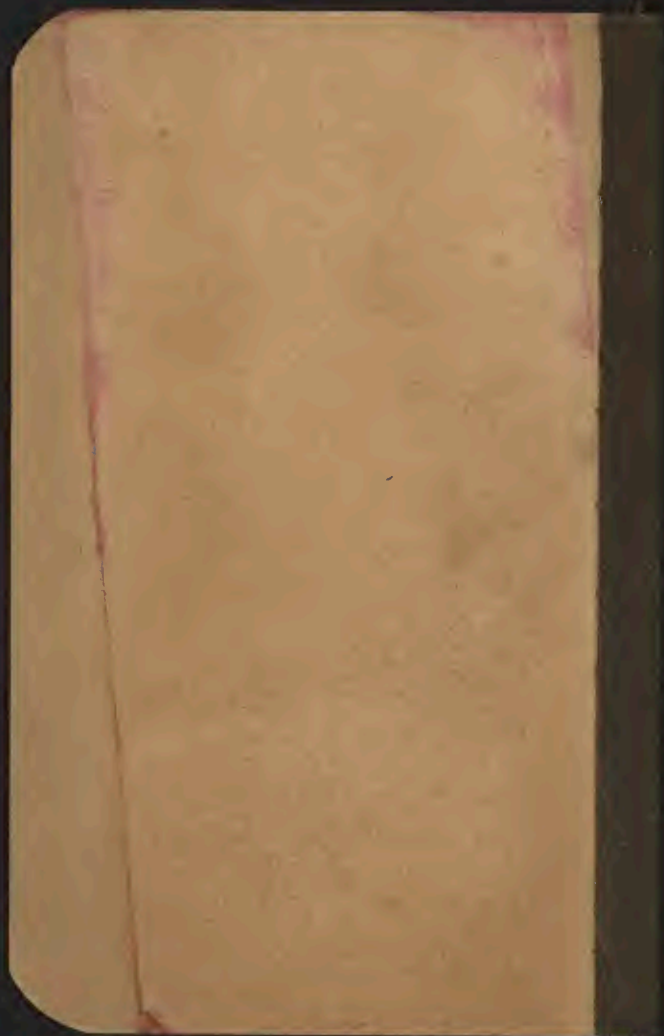
" " John B. Johnson 37 1 40

" " E. H. B. 38 1 40

" " Cash 39 1 40

Balance 237.60

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SOUTHERN STATES PHONE, No. 2932.

SOUTHERN BELL PHONE, No. 124.

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11.88

COMMISSIONER IN CHANCERY.

LAW OFFICES OF

LEE BRITT.

Costs in *Randall vs Brown Case*
SUFFOLK, VA.

J. E. Booker	8	8.00 ✓	
Auctioneer		2.50 ✓	
Commissions		11.88 ✓	
Writing deed		5.00 ✓	
U.S. Stamp on deed		.50 ✓	
Pd Sheriff Portsmouth City		2.00 ✓	before Commission
Pd " Elizabeth City Co		.50 ✓	" "
Pd " Newmarket Co		3.00 ✓	" "
Atty's fee allowed		40.00	
Costs taxed by Clerk		43.01	
Taxes for 1899		1.79	
" " 1900		1.55	
		<u>119.73</u>	
			\$ 237.60
			<u>119.73</u>
			\$ 117.87

①	Mary J. Hobden	1/8 each	\$14.73
②	Margaret Whiting		14.73
③	Caroline Randall		14.73
④	P. W. F. Copeland		2.95
⑤	Andrew Copeland	1/40 each	2.95
⑥	Israel Copeland		2.95
⑦	J. Robinson Copeland		2.95
⑧	Wortley Swathmore		2.95

⑨	Chas Randall	1/12 each	9.82
⑩	Martha Brown		9.82
⑪	R. H. Randall		9.82
⑫	Hattie Royster	1/48 each	2.45
⑬	Annie Thomas		2.45
⑭	Lewis Randall		2.45
⑮	Willie Randall		2.45

⑯	Evelina Urquhart	1/84 each	1.41
⑰	Mary Gale		1.41
⑱	Jennie Randall		1.41
⑲	Maria Briggs		1.41
⑳	Peter Gale		1.41
㉑	Alfred Gale		1.41
㉒	Indiana Gale		1.40
㉓	Alice Baker		1.40
㉔	William Johnson		1.40
㉕	Callie Jenkins		1.40
㉖	Meredith Johnson		1.40
㉗	Widemma Johnson		1.40
㉘	James Johnson		1.40
㉙	John B. Johnson		1.40

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W. F. Copeland

Andrew ..

Small ..

W. A. Brumley

J. Robinson

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Circuit Court.

Tuesday after the Second Monday in
April and October.

HON. ROBERT R. PRENTIS, Judge.
AZRA P. GOMER, Clerk.

Nansemond County

Suffolk

VIRGINIA—NANSEMOND COUNTY,
to wit: In the Clerk's office of the
Circuit Court of said county, in vacation,
this 30th day of August, 1899—

Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W. F.
Copeland, Alice Baker, William John-
son, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson,
Dilemma Johnson, James Johnson and
John R. Johnson, the last three being
infants under the age of twenty-one
years, who sue by their next friend, Wil-
liam Henry Johnson.....Plaintiffs,

AGAINST

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsden, Mar-
garet Whiting, Caroline Randall, An-
drew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wort-
ley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland,
Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria
Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale,
Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Hattie
Royster.....Defendants.

The object of this suit is to ask for a de-
cree for partition or sale of a certain tract
of land situated in Nansemond county, Vir-
ginia, near Suffolk, containing about twenty-
five acres, and adjoining the lands of
J. T. Williams and the Reynolds or Smith
tract, and sometimes known as the Ran-
dall land, belonging to the above parties;
and affidavit having been made and filed
in this office that Margaret Whiting, Car-
oline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland, Alfred
Gale and Indiana Gale are non-residents
of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that
the said defendants Margaret Whiting,
Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland,
Alfred Gale and Indiana Gale appear at the
said Clerk's office within fifteen days after
due publication hereof and do what may
be necessary to protect their interest in
this suit.

And it is ordered that a copy of this or-
der be published once a week for four suc-
cessive weeks in the SUFFOLK HERALD,
and be posted at the front door of the
Courthouse of said county on the first day
of the next County Court for said county
after the date of this order.

sel-4t

A. P. GOMER, Clerk.

I A P Gomer Clerk of the Circuit
Court of Nansemond County do hereby
Certify that the above order of Publication
was posted at the front door of Nansemond
County Court house on Monday the 11th
day of the Sept Term of said Court the
first day.

A P Gomer Clerk
Sept 12th 1899

VIRGINIA—NANSEMOND COUNTY,
to wit: In the Clerk's office of the
Circuit Court of said county, in vacation,
this 30th day of August, 1899—

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geline Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wor-
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of the next County Court for said county
after the date of this order.

sel-4t

A. P. GOMER, Clerk.

Office of The Herald.

Suffolk, Va., Oct 10 1899

I hereby certify that the order of which the annexed is a copy has been published in THE SUFFOLK HERALD in the manner prescribed by law ~~=once~~ a week for four successive weeks.

J. A. Doster
Pubr & Editor Herald.

Chas² \$ 7⁰⁰ 5 inc by 46.

To the clerk of the Circuit Court of Wau-
sermond County: -

Robert H. Rondall, Charles Rondall W.F.
Copeland Alice Baker, William Johnson, Gallie
Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Wadena Johnson
James Johnson and John R. Johnson, the last three being
infants under the age of twenty one years, who sue
by their next friend William Henry Johnson. Plaintiffs

VS

Mortcha Brown, Mary Jane Stockden, Mar-
garet Whiting, Caroline Rondall, Andrew
Copeland, Isreal Copeland, Mortley A. Swath-
mby, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jen-
nie Rondall, Maria Briggs, Evelina
Urgubart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana
Gale, and Hattie Rogers, defendants

Issue summons on plaintiffs against
defendants to first September term 1899
to answer said plaintiffs of a
Bill in Chancery.

Pay \$1.50

Lee Britt
Att. Lawler f.g.

Robert A. Randall
and others
vs
Memorandum
Martha Brown and
others.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON *Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsden, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Guathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Nattie Royster*

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, at the Rules to be held for the said Court, on the *First* Monday in *September 1899*, to answer

a Bill in Chancery, exhibited against *them* in the said Court by *Robert A. Randall, Charles Randall, W. G. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Leallie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson and Ovidema Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson* the last three being infants under the age of twenty one years, who sue by their next friend *William Henry Johnson*

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 1899, in the 124th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste:

Teste:

A. P. Gomer, CLERK.

A. P. Gomer, CLERK.

Re Rawles
Ex Brui } p. q.

A Copy for
Indiana Gale

vs. } *In Chancery.*

non resident

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CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,
Sergeant the City of Portsmouth
 TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON *Martha Brown Mary Jane Waddden Margaret Whiting Caroline Randall Andrew Copeland Israel Copeland Wortley A. Gwathmey J. Robinson Copeland Mary Gale Jennie Randall Maria Briggs Evelina Urquhart Peter Gale Alfred Gale Indiana Gale and Mattie Royster*

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in the said Court by *Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W. F. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Ballie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Ademma Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson, the last three being infants under the age of twenty-one years, who sue by their next friend William Henry Johnson*

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 1*899*, in the 12*4*-th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste:

Teste:

, CLERK. }

A. P. Gomer, CLERK.

R. A. Rawles }
Sec. Write } p. q.

Robert A. Randall
and others

vs. } In Chancery.

Martha Brown
and others

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Executed this 2nd day of Sept 1899 by delivering a copy hereof
to each Martha Brown Sallie Royster and Mary Gale
in person, first finding Mary Jane Hordaden at her usual
place of abode I delivered on the 2nd day of Sept 1899
a copy hereof to Sallie Connor for her she being then
and being a member of her family over sixteen years
of age and explained to her its purport -
Wm. for Smith sgt of the City of Portsmouth, Portsmouth Va.

CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF ^{Elizabeth City} ~~NANSEMOND~~ COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Nodsdew, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley, A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Woguhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Mattie Royster

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in the said Court by *Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W. F. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson and Diddema Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson, the last three being infants under the age of twenty-one years, who sue by their next friend, William Henry Johnson*

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 1899, in the 124th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste:

Teste:

CLERK.

CLERK.

Executed this 4th day of
Sept. 1899, by delivering
a true copy of the within
Summons to Peter Gale
in person

R. B. Luntis,
Shuff

Old Point

Robert A. Rawley }
Lee Britt } p. q.

Robert A. Randall
and others

vs.

In Chancery.

Martha Brown
and others

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CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hododen, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina W. - gunhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Hattie Royster

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and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 18*99*, in the 12*4*th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste:

Teste:

CLERK.

CLERK.

Robert Rawles }
Lee Britt } p. q.

Robert A Randall
and others

vs.

In Chancery.

Martha Brown
and others

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Received this 1st day of September 1899, by delivery of a
copy of the within process in person to Andrew Caplan.
Jesse Caplan, brother of Andrew, John. Randolph
and John Caplan, and John Caplan.

Attest
J. H. Caplan

CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON *Martha Brown, Mary Jane Woddsden, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley, A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Fennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Uroghart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Mattie Royster*

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and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 1*899*, in the 12*4*th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK. } Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK.

Re Rawles
See Brutt } p. q.

A copy for
Robinson Copeland

vs. } *In Chancery.*

Non Resident

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CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Martha Brown Mary Jane Hodges Margaret Whiting Caroline Randall Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley H. Swathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Mattie Royster

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and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 1 *899*, in the 12 *4*th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK. } Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK.

R. H. Rawles
Lee Brit } p. q.

A copy for
Margaret Whiting

vs. } *In Chancery.*

Now resident

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CHANCERY SUMMONS.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodges, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Fannie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Ugrubart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Mattie Royster

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W. J. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Liddemna Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson, the last three being infants under the age of twenty-one years, who are by their next friend William Henry Johnson

and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 1*899*, in the 12*4*th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK. } Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK.

Rawles }
Lee Brit } p. q.

A copy for
Alfred Cole

vs. } In Chancery.

Now resident

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The Commonwealth of Virginia,

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodges, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Swathmore, J. Robinson, Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Mattie Royster

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and have then and there this summons.

Witness, A. P. GOMER, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this *31st* day of *August*, 18*99*, in the 12*4*th year of the Commonwealth.

A copy—Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK. } Teste: *A. P. Gomer*, CLERK.

R. H. Rawles
See Proc. } p. q.

A copy for
Lawline Randall

vs. } *In Chancery.*

a non resident

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Know All Men by These Presents, That we, *Richard N Rawles*
Lee Britt Luther R Britt

are held and firmly bound unto the COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA in the just and full
sum of *Two hundred and fifty* DOLLARS,
to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made to the said Commonwealth, we bind ourselves,
and each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly
by these presents.

And we waive the benefit of our exemption as to this obligation, and also waive any claim or
right to discharge any liability to the said Commonwealth arising under this bond, or by virtue of
the office, post or trust herein mentioned, with coupons detached from bonds of said Commonwealth.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this *23rd* day of *April* in the year
of our Lord one thousand ^{*and nine*} ~~eight~~ hundred and ~~and~~, and in the *124th* year
of the Commonwealth.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas *by a*
decree of the Circuit Court of Nausemond County Virginia
pronounced on the 11th day of April 1900 in the Chancery
cause pending in the said Court between Robert N
Raydall & others complainants and Martha Brown & others
Defendants the above bound Richard N Rawles and Lee
Britt were appointed Special Commissioners for the purpose
specified in said decree. Now therefore if the said Richard
N Rawles and Lee Britt shall faithfully discharge their
duties under said decree and all other decrees they may
be required to execute in said cause then the above
obligation is to be void, otherwise it is to remain in full
force and effect

Richard N Rawles

Lee Britt

Luther R Britt

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In the office of the Clerk of the *Circuit* Court of Nausemond County, on the

23rd day of *April* 1900

The above bond was executed and acknowledged by the obligors (the surety) justifying
on oath as to *his* sufficiency) and recorded.

Teste:

A. P. Gomer

CLERK.

A copy of
Teste:

A. P. Gomer clerk

R. H. Rawles Sec. Brit.
To Spec Comm Bond

The Commonwealth.

1900

Apr 23rd

Recorded in Official
Bond Book No 1 Page 200

A Copy

AUCTION SALE

OF

Valuable Land

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county rendered on the 11th day of April, 1900, in the chancery cause of Robert Randall et als. vs. Mary Brown et als., we, the undersigned special commissioners, will proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, before the Courthouse door of this county,

On Monday, May 14, 1900

(that being court day), at 11 o'clock A. M., the following valuable tract of land, situated near the town of Suffolk, and in Chuckatuck district, Nansemond county, Virginia, containing twenty-five (25) acres, more or less, and fronting on the "Pitch Kettle" county road leading to Suffolk, and adjoining the Reynolds or Smith tract of land and the land of Joseph T. Williams, and generally known as the "Randall land."

TERMS.--One-half cash, and the balance on a credit of six months, with interest from day of sale; but with the option to the purchaser to pay the whole in cash if so desired.

LEE BRITT,

R. H. RAWLES,

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.

I, A. P. Gomer, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county, do certify that Lee Britt and R. H. Rawles, special commissioners in the chancery cause of Robert Randall et als. vs. Mary Brown et als., have given the bond required by the decree in said cause with security deemed sufficient by me.

Given under my hand this 24th day of April, 1900.

A. P. GOMER, CLERK.

See to go to Williams

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J. Walter Lewis Clerk

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To the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss, Judge of the Circuit
Court for the County of Nansemond :-

Robert H. Randall and Others -----Plaintiffs-

VS

Martha Brown and Others -----Defendants-

The undersigned, Special Commissioners appointed by decree entered in the above entitled cause on the 11 day of April 1900, beg to report that on the 14 day of May 1900, after advertisement of the time, terms and place of sale required by said decree, they sold, before the Court-house door of Nansemond County, at public auction, the tract of land containing twenty five acres, more or less, in the proceedings mentioned, and that ~~at~~ the said sale Joseph T. Williams made the highest bid therefor and became the purchaser thereof at the price of two hundred and thirty five dollars (\$235). The said purchaser has complied with the terms of sale in electing to pay the entire purchase money in cash, but as he did not promptly pay one ^{half} of said purchase money he was required to pay interest at six per cent. per annum on the said half of the purchase money, to wit, the sum of \$117.50, from the day of sale to the 28 day of September 1900, the day of payment, which amounted to the sum of two dollars and sixty cents (\$2.60) aggregating the entire sum of \$237.60, the said purchase price, with interest, which amount has been received by your Commissioners and deposited by them in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, a certificate of which deposit is herewith returned. Your Commissioners return herewith a copy of the advertisement of sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Britt
W. McAuley } Commissioners

Robert H. Randall et als.
VS } Report of Sale-
Martha Brown et als.

Oct. 1, 1900-Filed.

W. B. Gomez Clerk

Commissioner's Office,

Suffolk, Va. Feb. 28th. 1900. 18

To Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W.F. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Didemma Johnson
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vs.
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You are hereby notified that I have fixed upon the 15th. day of March 1900 next,

if fair, if not, on the next fair day thereafter (Sunday excepted), to take and settle at my office ^{following} the account

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 - 3rd. And if the same can not be conveniently divided in kind and if no party will take the entire property and pay the others for their respective shares therein whether the interests of those who are entitled to said property, or the proceeds thereof, shall be promoted by a sale of the entire property, or an allotment of part, and sale of the residue.
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- court, between

said enquiries being required to be taken by a decree of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, Virginia, rendered on the 12th. day of October 1899 in a suit in chancery depending in said Court between you.

at which time and place you are required to attend.

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

John B. Pinner
Com'r in Chancery

Original

vs. }

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

Return to
 R.H. Rawles
 Atty at Law
 Suffolk Va

Executed in the City of
 Portsmouth Va this 2nd
 day of March 1900 by
 delivering a copy of the
 within notice to each of
 the following person
 Martha Brown, Mary Jane
 Hodsdon, and Mary Gale,
 in person, Winson Smith
 Sergeant of the City of
 Portsmouth Va

Executed March 2nd 1900
 by serving a copy of the
 within notice on
 Hattie Royster in person
 A.C. Cromwell
 Sheriff.

By L.W. Codd
 Deft-Sheriff.

Recd \$2.00 as fee
 for service
 Winson Smith

Commissioner's Office,

Suffolk, Va. Feb. 28th., 1900.

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Defendants.

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

John P. Danner
Comr in Chancery

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COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

Return to
R. H. Rawles
Suffolk
Va.

Nonie Gale Mar 5th 1900

Peter Gale not being found
at his usual place of abode,
I executed this 5th day of March
1900, by delivering a true
copy of the within notice to
Nonie Gale, wife of Peter Gale
she being a member of his
family and over the age of 16
years

R. H. Curtis Sheriff

Commissioner's Office,

Suffolk, Va. Feb. 28th., 1900.

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

John B. Pinner
Comr in Chancery

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COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE

Form No. 400

Commissioner's Office,

Suffolk, Va. Feb. 28th., 1900. 18.

To { Robert W. Randall, Charles Randall, W.F. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Mildred Johnson, James Johnson and John F. Johnson, the three last named being infants under the age of twenty-one years who sue by their next friend William Henry Johnson. Plaintiffs.
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You are hereby notified that I have fixed upon the 15th day of March 1900 next,

if fair, if not, on the next fair day thereafter (Sunday excepted), to take and settle at my office, the account ^{following} of
1st. Whether the real estate in the bill mentioned can be conveniently divided in kind between the several parties entitled there
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at which time and place you are required to attend.

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

John B. Palmer
Comr in Chancery

Presented this 20th day of March 1868. by delivering a true copy of
the within process, in person to Maria Briggs, Cecilia Vignani,
Mortley A. Swatney, Israel Capeland and James Randall,
Indians Capeland was found in my custody.

A. W. Baker
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Form No. 400.

Joseph H. H. H. H.

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COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

James H. H. H. H.

Q. 8. You have no interest whatever in this land, have you?

A. No sir.

Q: 9. Do you know of any one or more of these heirs who is willing to take this land and pay the other heirs for their shares.

A. No sir I do not.

Q. 10. Do you know, or can you state, whether or not the interests of all parties would be promoted by a sale of the said land and a division of the proceeds thereof among them?

A. I think it would be better for them to sell it and divide the money.

And further this deponent saith not.

Witness
J. D. Pinner

David ^{his} Oliver
made

No other witness appearing the further taking of the depositions is hereby adjourned until Saturday March 17th. 1900.

John D. Pinner A. P.

Saturday March 17th. 1900

No witness appearing the further taking of the depositions is hereby adjourned to Monday March 19th. 1900

John D. Pinner A. P.

The depositions of David Oliver and others taken before me John B. Pinner, a Notary Public for the County of Nansemond, pursuant to notice hereto annexed at Suffolk, Va. on the 15th. day of March 1900, to be read as evidence in behalf of Robert H. Randall and others, Plaintiffs, in a certain suit in chancery depending in the Circuit Court of Nansemond County wherein Robert H. Randall and others are plaintiffs, and Martha Brown and others are defendants.

Present R.H. Rawles Attorney for Plaintiffs.

The witness David Oliver, being duly sworn, deposes as follows,

Q. 1. What is your name, age, residence, occupation and do you know the parties to the suit?

A. David Oliver. 43 years. Suffolk, Va. Drayman and farmer. I know some of the parties.

Q. 2. Mr. Oliver, the bill charges that there is a small tract of land of about 25 acres in Chuckatuck District known as the "Randall land" which belongs to Robert Randall and other heirs, please state if you know this land and, if so, how long you have known it?

A. Well, I have been knowing it all of my life. It joins Mr Williams' land and it joins the Reynolds tract of land. On the back part of it, is the Mt. Pleasant land.

Q. 3. Can you tell us of anything of the character of this land, whether it is open, or wood land?

A. Well, it is some little wood land, but the most of it is open. There is not much timber on it.

Q. 4. How much do you think this land is worth cash.

A. Well, captain, I don't know, to tell the truth. You have asked me something, now I can not tell. I should think it ought to be worth \$150 anyway.

Q. 4. The bill states that there are 27 heirs to this land, do you think it could be divided in kind so as to give each heir a portion of it to any advantage.

A. I do not sir.

Q. ~~5~~ 6. Then, if there is to be a division, do you think it would be better for all concerned to sell the land and divide the money.

A. Yes sir.

Q. 7 If it were divided up into 27 different parts would any one of those parts be large enough for farming purposes?

A. No, sir it would not.

Monday March 19th. 1900.

The witness Phineas Gwaltney, being sworn, deposes as follows.

Q. 1 State your name, age, residence, occupation, and state if you know the parties to the suit.

A. Phineas Gwaltney, 45 years, Nansemond County. Farmer I know the most of the parties to the suit, my wife being one of the defendants.

Q. 2. Do you know the Randall land mentioned in the bill and if so how long have you known it.

A. I do and have been knowing it 10 years.

Q. 3 How much do you think it is worth?

A. About five dollars an acre and there are 25 acres.

Q. 4. There being 27 heirs, do you think it could be conveniently divided in kind among them all, so as to give each one a portion of any advantage or to be of any value.

A. I dont know whether it could or not. I dont think it could, each one would have such a small piece.

Q. 5. Do you not think it would be better to sell it at public auction before the Court House Door and divide the money among the heirs.

A. Yes, sir, I reckon they had.

Q. 6. Can you tell how much is open land, and how much wood land?

A. I reckon there is in the neighborhood of 15 acres cleared and the rest is wood land.

Q. 7. Do you know of one or any more of the parties entitled to this land who would be willing to take the land and pay the others for their share.

A. No sir I dont believe I do.

And further this deponent saith not.
No other witness appearing the taking of the depositions is continued to Thursday March 22 1900/

Phineas Gwaltney

John B. Pierson A.P.

Thursday, March 22, 1900.

The witness, Jos. T. Williams being duly sworn deposes in answer to questions as follows,

Q. 1. What is your name, age, residence, occupation and do you know the parties to this suit?

A. Jos. T. Williams, 38 years, Nansemond County, farmer I know a good many of them.

Q. 2. Are you acquainted with what is known as the "Randall land" mentioned in the bill, how many acres do you think is in the tract, and how long have you known about the land?

A. Well sir, I know the land. It is claimed to be 25 acres, but I don't think it is that. I have known it ever since I was a boy.

Q. 3. What about the character of the land, how much wood land and how much open and give your idea as to the value of the land.

A. Well there is about 15 acres of open land and about 5 of wood, that is what I would judge it. It is an awful poor place, being washy, and where it is supposed to be woods, it is only bushy, and I would judge taking everything into consideration that \$125 would be a fair value.

Q. 4. Do you think it could be conveniently divided in kind among the 27 heirs, so as to give each heir a portion of it to any advantage?

A. I do not.

Q. 5. Do you think it would be to the interest of all parties to sell the land and divide the proceeds of the sale?

A. I do.

Q. 6. Do you know of any one of the heirs, who is willing to take the whole and pay the other for their interests in the same.

A. I do not

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Q. 7. Please state what you think is the annual value of the land in question, that is, what it would rent for per annum.

A. Not over \$20 per annum.

And further this deponent saith not.

J. T. Williams
Virginia, County of Nansemond, to-wit:-
I, John Q. Pinner, a Notary Public for the County of Nansemond in the said State do hereby certify that the foregoing deposition of David Oliver, Thomas Swallow and J. T. Williams were duly taken upon oath and subscribed before me, at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned
Given under our hand this 22nd day of March 1900
John Q. Pinner, Notary Public

Commissioner's Office Suffolk, Va
March 20th 1900.

Robert M Randall, Charles Randall W. F. Copeland
Alice Baker, William Johnson, Ellie Jenkins, Meredith
Johnson and Diddamma Johnson, James Johnson
and John B. Johnson, the three last named being in-
fants under the age of twenty-one years who sue
by their next friend, William Henry Johnson

Plaintiffs

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Israel Copeland Worley A. Gwaltney, J. Robinson
Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Biggs
Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana
Gale and Mattie Taylor

Defendants

In
Chancery

To The Circuit Court of Nansemond County, Va.

Pursuant to a decree of the Court pronounced
in the above entitled cause on the 12th day of Octo-
ber 1899, the undersigned one of the Commissioners
of this Court, having first given notice as required
by law, which notice are herewith returned duly
acknowledged and served, proceeded on the day named
in said notice to perform the duties required of
him by said decree. In making the enquiries
therein directed he took the examinations of witnesses
David Oliver, Thineas Gwaltney and Joseph J.

Williams. These examinations are returned with this report. And from the evidence thus furnished your commissioner and from additional information acquired he now reports upon the several items referred to in the said decree as follows,
1st "Whether the real estate in the bill mentioned can be conveniently divided in kind between the several parties entitled thereto."

Your commissioner here to report that the real estate consists of a certain tract of land of about twenty or twenty-five acres, one fourth of which is wood land and the remainder open land of very poor quality of soil and that there are twenty-seven parties in interest and therefore that the said real estate cannot be conveniently divided in kind among the parties entitled thereto.

2^d "If the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind, whether any party will take the entire property and pay therefor to the other parties such sums of money as their interests therein may entitle them to."

It does not appear that any one of the parties in interest are willing or able to pay for the entire property and the evidence is such that it is believed that no one of the parties will take the entire property and pay therefor to the other parties such sums of money as

their interests may entitle them to.

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

Your commissioner begs to report that from the evidence produced it would be manifestly best for all the parties in interest that the entire property be sold and that the proceeds of such sale be divided among them.

4th "And if the interests of those entitled to said property, or its proceeds, will be promoted by a sale of the entire property, then to state the names and respective shares of those entitled to the proceeds of such sale."

The names and respective shares of those entitled to the proceeds of such sale are as follows.

1	Mary Jane Hobbsen	$\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{8}$	14.73
2	Margaret Whiting	$\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{8}$	14.73
3	Caroline Randall	$\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{8}$	14.73
4	M. J. Copeland	$\frac{1}{5}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{40}$	
5	Andrew Copeland	$\frac{1}{5}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{40}$	
6	Israel Copeland	$\frac{1}{5}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{40}$	
7	Robinson Copeland	$\frac{1}{5}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$	= $\frac{1}{40}$	

- 8 Worley A. Givathmey $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{40}$
all of the above named being heirs of
the ancestor Fannie Randall
- 9 Chas Randall $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{12}$
10 Martha Brown $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{12}$
11 R. H. Randall $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{12}$
12 Nellie Royster $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{24}$
13 Annie Thomas $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{24}$
14 Evelina Urquhart $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
15 Mary Gale $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
16 Jennie Randall $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
17 Maria Briggs $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
18 Peter Gale $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
19 Alfred Gale $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
20 Lillian Gale $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
21 Alice Baker $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
22 William Johnson $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
23 Callie Jenkins $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
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25 Didemma Johnson $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
26 James Johnson $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
27 John R. Johnson $\frac{1}{7}$ of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ = $\frac{1}{84}$
all of the above last named being heirs of
the ancestor Mary Randall.

Your commissioner reports that the heir
Normie Thomas does not appear to be either party
plaintiff or party defendant to the suit but that
she is one of the parties in interest and

That her share is as has been stated.

5th " State the fee simple and annual values of the property described in the bill and whether there are any delinquent taxes against the same and, if any, the amount.

Your commissioner begs to report that the fee simple value of the land is One Hundred and Twenty-five (125) Dollars and its annual value Twenty (20) Dollars. There are no delinquent taxes against the land.

No other matter is deemed pertinent to be stated by the commissioner and none has been required to be specially stated by any of the parties.

Respectfully submitted,
John B. Pinner,
Commissioner in Chancery.

Fee \$10⁰⁰

Randall }
vs. } In Chancery
Brown }

Commissioner's
Report.

1900 March 24th
Filed
A. L. Gomez clk



R. K. CURTIS, Sheriff,
ELIZABETH CITY COUNTY,

Hampton, Va., Sept 5th 99

Mr Gomer.

Dear Sir

Received Yours

Sunday, and I would, as soon as
I could, find Gomer, there is
no one at Old Point at this
time and could find no one
that did know him until
Monday

R K Curtis S^hff

Dartmouth Co.

Dec 5th 1701.

Samuel Smith

Dear Sir,

After having
seen you, I made inquiries concern-
ing my two Sister, Margaret
and Caroline. my sister Margaret
died in Boston, and Caroline can-
not be found by any of my friends
who have taken interest in the matter.
Here are 2 letters, from Boston
which you can read and then you
will more thoroughly understand
the conditions of affairs. I am in
your hands and you and your
partner will have to fix it up

but may possibly have it
already in your hands knowing
you will see justice done. Let me
know if you think it necessary
my address is

W. H. Harrison, James Dicks house

7th Green street

Chilmanville

Virginia

231 Cambridge St

Boston Mass

Oct 28

Dear Mother

Your loving letter
was received with
pleasure it found
me well and
doing quite the.
Aunt Margaret is
dead and I don't
know where Caroline
is I shall try and
find out, I thought
I told you when

I was at home
that Margret was dead
Remember me to
all Inquiring Friends
I remain your
Son

231 Cambridge St
Boston Mass

Nov 11

Dear Mother
Your loving letter
just received it
found me well glad
to say. The weather
here is still fine. I have
just put on my winter
underwear this morning
but we will have it
soon. I can't find
out every thing I want
Caroline

Remember me to
all forgiving friends
I remain your
son

In the Circuit Court of Nansemond County-
Robert H. Randall and Others-----Plaintiffs-
VS-----In Chancery-----

Martha Brown and Others-----Defendants-

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, on the petitions and answers of Lewis Randall and Willie Randall, and on the report of sale made by R. H. Rawles and Lee Britt, Special Commissioners, filed on the 1st day of October 1900, to which report no exceptions have been filed, and was argued by counsel: -On consideration whereof, the Court doth approve, ratify and confirm the said report and sale, and it appearing to the Court that the purchase price of the land in the proceedings mentioned, with interest on said purchase price, has been fully paid by the purchaser, and the said purchase money has been deposited in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond to the credit of the said Commissioners in said cause, as evidenced by the certificate of the said Farmers Bank filed with the said report, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that the said Special Commissioners shall convey, by good and sufficient deed, with special warranty, unto Joseph T. Williams, the purchaser, the land in the proceedings mentioned. And the Court doth further adjudge, order and decree that the said Special Commissioners shall withdraw the said purchase money from the said Farmers Bank, and for that purpose they are hereby authorized to withdraw the said certificate of deposit from the papers in this cause, and after deducting and paying the costs in this cause, and the sum of \$40. - to said R. H. Rawles and Lee Britt, jointly, as compensation for their legal services as counsel for the plaintiffs in conducting said cause, shall distribute the net proceeds, or balance, in their hands among those entitled thereto under, and in accordance with, the report of Commissioner

John B. Pinner made and filed in this cause, except as to the proportionate part of said proceeds reported therein as payable to Hattie Royster and Annie Thomas hereinafter referred to more fully.

And it appearing to the Court from the said petitions and answers that Lewis Randall and Willie Randall are two of the joint owners of the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned, and that they have been inadvertently omitted from the said proceedings as parties thereto, and by said petitions waive all notices to the beginning of this cause, and now acquiesce in, consent to and ratify all proceedings in this cause heretofore obtained, and desire to be made parties defendant to the same in their own rights as adults, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed that the said Lewis Randall and Willie Randall be, and they are hereby made, parties defendant to the said cause, to be bound by all the proceedings heretofore obtained, and such as may be hereafter entered in said cause, and to participate in all the rights and privileges of parties to the same.

And it further appearing to the Court that the said Lewis Randall and Willie Randall are brothers of Annie Thomas and Hattie Royster reported by Commissioner Pinner as being entitled, each, to one twenty fourth of the proceeds from the said estate, and that the said Lewis Randall and Willie Randall are, jointly with said Annie Thomas and Hattie Royster, entitled to that part of said proceeds from said sale, to wit, one twelfth of the same, to be distributed among the four children and heirs of Rosa Ann Randall, or Rosana Randall, mentioned in the bill in this cause, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed that the said Special Commissioners, Rawles and Britt pay to the said Hattie Royster, Annie Thomas, Lewis Randall and Willie Randall, each, one forty eighth of the net

proceeds from the sale of the land mentioned in the proceedings in this cause.

And the said Commissioners shall make report to court.

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day of October 1900.

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Not Distribution &c.

Decree Confirming Sale.

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VS } -----In Chancery-----

Robert H. Randall et sjs.

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Robert H. Randall et als.
VS } ----In Chancery----
Martha Brown et als.

Decree Confirming Sale,
For Distribution &c.

To be entered this 11th
day of October 1900.

Robert C. Huntis

Entered in Chancery
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In the Circuit Court of Nansemond County-

Robert M. Randall and others-----Plaintiffs.

VS

Martha Brown and others-----Defendants.

This cause came on this day to be again heard on the papers formerly read, ^{and answer} the petition of Annie Thomas and S.H. Thomas, and on the report of John B. Pinner, ~~Special~~ Commissioner, filed as of the 24 day of March 1900, to which report no exceptions have been filed, and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof, the court doth hereby ratify, approve and confirm said report, and doth adjudge, order and decree that R.H. Rawles and Lee Britt, who are hereby appointed Special Commissioners for that purpose, do proceed, after first advertising the time, place and terms of sale in some newspaper published in the County of Nansemond once a week for two successive weeks, and otherwise as deemed best by said Commissioners, to sell the real estate in the bill and proceedings mentioned, at public auction, in front of the Court-house door of Nansemond County, on some court day, upon the following terms, to wit: - One half in cash, and the balance on a credit of six months, taking from the purchaser a bond for the deferred payments, bearing interest from the day of sale, and the title to the property to be retained until the further order of this court, but the said purchaser may pay the entire purchase price in cash, if desired. And it appearing to the court ^{from the said report and} by the said petition that the said Annie Thomas is one of the ^{joint owners of} ~~heirs of~~ the land in the bill and proceedings mentioned and that she has been inadvertently omitted from the said proceedings as a par-

ty thereto, and by said petition waives all notice or process as to the beginning of the suit and now acquiesces in, consents^{to} and ratifies all proceedings in this cause heretofore obtained, and desires to be made a party defendant to this cause in her own right as an adult, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed that the said Annie Thomas be, and she is hereby made, a party defendant to the same, to be bound by all the proceedings heretofore obtained, and such as may be hereafter entered in this cause, and to participate in all the rights and privileges of a party to the same. It is further adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said Commissioners Rawles and Britt shall deposit the cash instalment, or the whole purchase price of the land if paid in cash, in the Farmers Bank of Nahsemond to their credit as Commissioners in this cause, and return with their report of sale a certificate of such deposit. But the said Commissioners shall receive no money, or advertise the said land under this decree, until they shall enter into bond with approved security in the penalty of \$250, payable to the Commonwealth of Virginia, and conditioned for the faithful performance and discharge of their duties under this or any other decrees entered in this cause. And the said Commissioners are hereby directed to append to their advertisement of sale a certificate from the clerk of this court that the bond required hereby has been given. And the said Commissioners shall make report to court .

In the Circuit Court of Nansemond County:-

Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W.F. Copeland,

Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Didemna Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson, the last three being infants under the age of twenty one years, who sue by their next friend, William Henry Johnson, Plaintiffs,

VS

*Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsdon, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, *Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Hattie Royster-----Defendants.

This cause came on this day to be heard upon

the bill taken for confessed as to the ~~adult~~ *Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsdon, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale and Hattie Royster, upon whom process has been served.* defendants, and upon order of publication duly

issued, published and posted as to the non-resident defendants, *Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland, Alfred Gale, and Indiana Gale, and they still failing to appear and plead, pursuant to demand,* and was argued by counsel.

On consideration whereof, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that the papers in this cause be referred to one of the Commissioners of the Court, who is hereby directed to enquire into and report to Court:-

1st-Whether the real estate in the bill mentioned can be conveniently divided in kind between the several parties entitled thereto.

2nd-If the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind, whether any party will take the entire property, and pay therefor to the other parties such sums of money as their interests therein may entitle them to.

3rd-And if the same cannot be conveniently divided in kind, and if no party will take the entire property and pay the others ^{for} their respec-

tive shares therein, whether the interests of those who are entitled to said property, or its proceeds, will be promoted by a sale of the entire property, or an allotment of part, and sale of the residue.

4th-And if the interests of those entitled to said property, or its proceeds, will be promoted by a sale of the entire property, then to state the names and respective shares of those entitled to the proceeds from such sale.

5th- State the feesimple and annual values of the property described in the bill, and whether there are any delinquent taxes against the same, and if any, the amount.

Which several inquiries the said Commissioner shall make and report to court, together with any matters specially stated deemed pertinent by himself, or required by any of the parties to be specially stated.

~~It is further ordered that the said Commissioner's notice of the time and place of taking the said account be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Suffolk Herald, a convenient newspaper published in the town of Suffolk, Virginia, and that such publication shall be equivalent to personal service of such notice on the parties to this cause.~~

parties to this case.

That the several notices of such notice on the
part of the said defendant shall be sufficient
whereby published in the town of Hartford, five
consecutive weeks in the public papers, or otherwise
according to the custom of such town for such
notice of the same, and that the said defendant
it is further ordered that the said defendant
to be specially stated.

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Decree of Reference.
To be entered this 12th
day of October 1899.

Robert H. Smith

Entered in Chancery
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Randall et als--

VS

Brown et als-----

And if the interests of those entitled to
residue.

Property, or an assignment of part, and sale of the
same, will be promoted by a sale of the entire
who are entitled to said property, or the five
five shares therein, whether the interests of the

Virginia ; Nansemond County to-wit ; In the Clerk's office of the
county ~~to~~ Circuit Court of said county, in vacation this 30th day of
August 1899.

Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, W. F. Copeland. Alice Baker, William
Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Diddema Johnson, James John
Johnson, and John R. Johnson, the last three being infants under
the age of twenty one years, who sue by their next friend William Henry
Johnson

Plaintiffs

VS

Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsden, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew
Copeland, Isreal Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary
Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale
Indiana Gale and Hattie Royster

defendants.

The object of the above suit is to ask for a decree for partition or
sale of a certain tract of land situated in Nansemond county Virginia
near Suffolk containing about twenty five acres and adjoining the lands
of J. T. Williams and the Reynolds or Smith tract and sometimes known
as the Randall land, belonging to the above parties ; and affidavit
having been made and filed in this office that Margaret Whiting
Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland, Alfred Gale and Indiana Gale
are non-residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that the said
defendants Margaret Whiting Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland
Alfred Gale and Indiana Gale appear at the said Clerk's office with-
in fifteen days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary

to protect their interest in this suit. And it is ordered that a
copy of this order be published once a week for four
successive weeks in the Suffolk Herald and be posted
at the front door of the Clerk's ^{thirty} Court of said County on the
first day of the next County Court for said County
after the date of this order.

J. P. Gomer Clerk

Virginia Nansemond County to-wit ; I, R. H. Rawles do solemnly swear
that to the best of my knowledge information and belief Margaret Whi-
ting, Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland and Alfred Gale and Indiana
Gale are not residents of the State of Virginia.

Sworn to before me this 30th day of August 1899. R. H. Rawles.

To the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss Judge of the aCircuit Court of Nan-
semond county ;

The undersigned Annie Thomas, ^{an adult} wife of S. H. Thomas respectfully re-
quests permission to present this petition to your Honor and to state
the following facts ;

That there is now pending in the Circuit court of said county a par-
tition suit entitled " Robert H. Randall and others
against Martha Brown and others "

in which your petitioner has an interest, and she says that she is
informed and believes, that she was omitted as one of the defendants
in said suit, through inadvertance and not by design ; your petitioner
is the daughter of Rosa Ann ~~Randall~~ Randall, or Rosana Randall, and a
sister of the defendant Hattie Royster. While ^{no} notice has ever been
given your petitioner of any of the ~~proceedings~~ proceedings in this
case, yet she is willing to, and does now hereby waive all notice as to
the beginning of the suit; as to the entering of any decree or to the
taking of any accounts; and she hereby consents and agrees to all that
heretofore been done in this cause up to the present time and prays that
she may now be considered a party to said cause ; she agrees that said
land mentioned in the bill is not divisible in kind, and consents and
agrees that it may be sold and the proceeds divided among the heirs, as-
asking only that she may have her just share of the same paid to her
when said land is sold; and she hereby makes R. H. Rawles her
counsel in this cause and empowers him to sign her name to all neces-
sary papers, decrees, consent decrees, notices, and other writings in the
said cause; and her said husband S. H. Thomas hereby joins in all that
she has herein said and agrees to abide in like manner by all that is
done and likewise makes R. H. Rawles his counsel in said cause .

Sign on
these lines

X S. H. Thomas,

X Annie Thomas

done and likewise makes G. H. Fowler his counsel in said cause. She has herein said and agrees to abide in like manner, by all that I said above; and her said husband G. H. Thomas hereby joins in all that said fathers declares consent declares notices and offers which in my counsel in this cause and exposure in to all her name to all counsel and said I am in said; and the hereby makes G. H. Thomas her, asking only that she may have her just share of a good deal to her, saying that it may be sold and the proceeds divided among the heirs of said deceased in the bill is not dissatisfied in kind and otherwise nor she may now be considered a party to said cause; she believes that said heretofore been done in this cause up to the present time and begs that taking of all so much; and she hereby consents and agrees to all that the defendant of the suit; as to the execution of said decree as to the same yet she is willing to submit any future action as to notice as to given your petitioner of all of the proceedings heretofore in this state of the defendant Hattie Thayer. While in this case even when is the daughter of John and Joseph Thayer of Thomas Thayer and in said said through inheritance and not by descent; your petitioner informed and believes that she was entitled as one of the defendants in which your petitioner has an interest and she says that she is entitled and entitled

That there is now pending in the Circuit Court of said county a certain following facts;

That permission to present this petition to your Honor and to prove the undersigned Anne Thomas wife of G. H. Thomas heretofore as second counsel;

To the Honorable Joseph G. Fowler Judge of the Circuit Court of said

1900
Apr. 11. Filed

To the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss, Judge of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County:-

The undersigned, Willie Randall, respectfully requests permission to present this petition to the Court setting forth the facts following, to wit:-

That there is now pending in the Circuit Court of said County a partition suit entitled "Robert H. Randall and Others vs Martha Brown and Others" in which your petitioner has an interest as one of the heirs of the estate referred to in said suit, and he says that he is informed and believes that he was omitted as one of the defendants in said suit, through inadvertence and not by design. That your petitioner is the son of Rosa Ann Randall, or Rosana Randall, and a brother of the defendant, Hattie Royster. That while no notice of any of the proceedings in this cause has been given to your petitioner, yet that he is willing to, and does now hereby, waive all notice as to process issued in the beginning of the suit, as to the entering of any decree or to the taking of any account and he hereby consents and agrees to all that has been done, heretofore in this cause up to the present time, and prays that he may now be considered a party to said cause. He agrees that said land mentioned in the bill in this cause is not divisible in kind, and consents and agrees that it may be sold and the proceeds divided among the heirs or those legally entitled thereto, asking that he may have his just part and share of the same paid to him when said land is sold and the proceeds divided. He hereby makes and appoints R. H. Rawles his counsel in this cause, and empowers him to sign his name to all necessary papers, decrees, consent decrees, notices and other writings in the said cause.

Witness

J. W. Rutter
Notary Public

Respectfully,

Willie Randall

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Other matters in the case.

Rebecca H. Brown, General Agent, Insurance, Boston, Mass.,
this office, and several others, who have been named in the
the several cases and who are the H. H. Brown, who would be
to him when he is called to the court, and the several others.

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To the Honorable Robert R. Prentiss, Judge of the Second Circuit Court
of Nansemond County;

The undersigned, Lewis Randall, respectfully requests permission to
present this Petition to your Honor, and to state the following facts;
That there is now pending in the Circuit Courts of said County a ^{petition} ~~part~~
suit entitled "Robert H. Randall and others vs. Martha Brown and others"
in which your petitioner has an interest, and he says that he is informed
and believes that he was omitted as one of the defendants in said suit
through inadvertance, and not by design;

No notice has ever been given your petitioner of any of the proceedings
in this case, yet he is willing to, and does now hereby waive all notice
as to the beginning of this suit, as to the entering of any decree, or
to the taking of any accounts, and he hereby consents and agrees to all
that has heretofore been done in this cause up to the present time, and
prays that he may now be made, and considered, a party to said cause;
he agrees that said land mentioned in the bill is not divisible in kind,
and consents and agrees that it may be sold and the proceeds divided
among the heirs, asking only that he may have his just share of the same
paid to him out of the proceeds of the sale of said land; and he hereby
makes R. H. Rawles his counsel in this cause, and empowers him to sign
his name to all necessary papers, decrees, consent decrees, notices,
receipts and other writings in the said cause.

Lewis^{his} x Randall
mark

Witness,

J. R. Kemper
Clerk of Benitenhary

*Let Lewis Randall sign this &
return to R. H. Rawles
Suffolk Va*

receipts and other writings in the said cause.

his name to all necessary papers, decrees, consent decrees, notices, makes N. H. Javalles his counsel in this cause and empowers him to sign and bind to him out of the proceeds of the sale of said land; and he hereby assigns the heirs asking only that he may have his just share of the same and consents and agrees that it may be sold and the proceeds divided ~~he agrees that said land mentioned in the bill is not divisible in kind.~~ ^{he agrees that he may now be made and considered a party to said cause;}

that no heretofore been done in this cause up to the present time and to the taking of any accounts; and he hereby consents and agrees to all as to the propriety of this suit, as to the entering of any decree, or in this case, yet he is willing to and does not hereby waive all notice no notice has ever been given your petitioner of any of the proceedings through inadvertence and not by design;

and believes that he was omitted as one of the defendants in said suit in which your petitioner has an interest and he says that he is informed and entitled "Robert H. Randall and others vs. Martha Brown and others."

That there is now pending in the Circuit Courts of said County a petition present this Petition to your Honor and to state the following facts;

The undersigned Lewis Randall respectfully requests permission to
of Harsemond County;

To the Honorable Robert N. Prentiss, Judge of the Second Circuit Court

In the Circuit Court of Nansemond County-

To the Honorable Robert R. Prentis, Judge of said *Court*;

Your complainants, Robert H. Randall, Charles Randall, Wm. F. Copeland, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, and Didemna Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson, the last three being infants under the age of twenty one years, who sue by their next friend William Henry Johnson, complaining, show unto the court the following case:-

That Mary Randall and Sallie Randall for years prior to the year 1860 jointly owned in fee simple a tract of land consisting of twenty five acres, more or less, situate in Chuckatuck Magisterial District, County of Nansemond and State of Virginia, which land fronts on the "Pitch Kettle" County Road leading to Suffolk, and adjoins the Reynolds or Smith tract of land and the land of Joseph T. Williams. That the said Mary Randall died in the year 1860 and Sallie Randall died in the year 1865, seized and possessed of their respective joint interests in said tract of land. That the heirs of said Mary Randall are Charles Randall, Martha Brown, R. H. Randall, the living children of Alfred Randall, ^{deceased,} a son of said Mary Randall, to wit, Mary Randall, or Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, ~~Emelina~~ ^{and} Urquhart, Peter Gale and Alfred Gale, ^{and} Indiana Gale, ^{and} Hattie Royster, the daughter of Rosa Ann Randall, deceased, the daughter of said Mary Randall, ancestor, and the living

children of Cornelia Johnson, deceased, a daughter of said Mary Randall, ancestor, to wit, Alice Baker, William Johnson, Callie Jenkins, Meredith Johnson, Didemna Johnson, James Johnson and John R. Johnson the last three being infants.

That the heirs of the said Sallie Randall, deceased, are Mary Jane Hodsden, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, and the living children of Nancy Ann Copeland, deceased, a daughter of said Sallie Randall, ancestor, to wit, W.F. Copeland, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, and J. Robinson Copeland.

That the said Mary Randall and Sallie Randall, ancestors, died intestate. That neither the original deed conveying the said land to the said Mary Randall and Sallie Randall, nor a copy can be here shown as the original is now in the hands of Worthley A. Gwathmey or Jennie Randall, and has not been spread upon the present records in the County Clerk's Office of Nansemond County.

That the defendants, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, J. Robinson Copeland, Alfred Gale, and Indiana Gale are non-residents of the State of Virginia.

And your complainants state that the said real estate is not, as they verily believe, advantageously divisible in kind, or susceptible of partition among the parties entitled thereto; and if it be not, then your complainants desire the same to be sold, and the proceeds divided among the adult and

infant parties, according to their respective rights, the shares of the infants to be held as directed by the statute in that ^{case} made and provided.

Should the said real estate not be divisible in kind, your complainants believe and here state that the interests of those who are entitled to the said real estate, or its proceeds, will be promoted by a sale of the whole of said real estate.

In tender consideration whereof, and for as much as your complainants are remediless save in a court of equity, your complainants pray that Martha Brown, Mary Jane Hodsden, Margaret Whiting, Caroline Randall, Andrew Copeland, Israel Copeland, Wortley A. Gwathmey, J. Robinson Copeland, Mary Gale, Jennie Randall, Maria Briggs, Evelina Urquhart, Peter Gale, Alfred Gale, Indiana Gale and Hattie Royster may be made parties defendant to this bill, and required to answer the same, answers under oath being waived; that proper process issue; that an order of publication be made against the said non-resident defendants, and duly published; that the said real estate be divided, if divisible in kind, among the parties entitled thereto, and the portions or shares of your complainants be allotted to them; and in case the said real estate cannot be partitioned and divided in kind, that the same be exposed to sale, and the proceeds of such sale be divided among those parties entitled thereto; that proper counsel fees be allowed; that all proper orders and decrees may be made, and

proper inquiries directed, and that all such other
further and general relief may be afforded your
complainants as the nature of their case may re-
quire, or to equity shall seem meet.

And your complainants will ever pray &c.

R. H. Rawls
Lee Britt } W. G.

Robert Randall and others
Against } In Chancery
Martha Brown v others

1899 Aug 31st Process issued returnable to September
first Monday.

Order of Publication issued against
all non resident defendants.

" Sept 4th Process returned executed on all
resident defendants.

Bill filed and decree nisi against
them

" Oct 2nd Set for hearing on order of
Publication.

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