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No. _____

Supreme Court of Illinois

Joseph Bowles et al

vs.

Andrew McCullom et al

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State of Illinois Gallatin County.
Pleas Made before the Honorable
the Judge of the Circuit Court of
said County of Gallatin, at
the Courthouse in Shawmut
on the Twenty seventh day of
~~October~~ A.D. One Thousand
Eight Hundred and fifty seven.

Andrew McCullow &
Mary Ann McCullow his wife,
and Josephine McCullow,
Mary McCullow, and
Andrew J. McCullow Minors
who are by their Guardian
Andrew McCullow Plaintiffs
against one petition
Margaret Price, for Assignment
John Price of Honor, &
Stephen P. Bowen & partition
Nancy Ann Bowen, of Real Estate,
Joseph Bowles &
Rebecca Bowles Defendants.

Be it Remembered that on the
fifteenth day of May A.D.
Eighteen Hundred and fifty seven,
the said plaintiffs filed their
petition in the clerks office
of said Court in the words
following. —

State of Illinois } In the Gallatin Circuit Court
Gallatin County, } To the Term Term 1885
} Petition for Partition

To the Hon Downing Baugh residing
Judge of the Gallatin Circuit Court
Your Petitioners Andrew Mc
Callan Mary Ann McCallan wife of
said Andrew McCallan and Josephine
McCallan Andrew J McCallan and Mary
McCallan minors who are by their
Guardian Andrew McCallan would
respectfully represent unto Your
Honor that John Reed Senior
deced. lat of the County and State
aforesaid departed this life intestate
legally in fee of the following tracts
of land and town lots situated in
the County of Gallatin and State
aforesaid to wit. The NW 1/4 SW 1/4
and N 1/2 of the E 1/4 & E 1/2 SW 1/4 of
Section No 12 T 8 R 9. E Also E 1/2 SW 1/4
& N 1/2 N.E. 1/4 & the N.W. 1/4 of Section 20
Town 9 S Range Ten E. Also the
NW 1/4 of fractional Sect 7 T 9 S R 10 E
& N 1/2 E 1/4 of 7 T 9 S R 10 E Also N.E. 1/4
T 9 T 9 S R 10 E Also S E 1/2 & SW 1/4 &
the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 & E 1/2 of the NW 1/4
& the N 1/2 of the N.E. 1/4 of 8 T 9 South Range 10
East Also N.E. 1/4 & S.E. 1/4 & NW 1/4 of Sec 12
T 9 S R 9 E Also E 1/2 of S.E. 1/4

of Sect 29 SW 9 E Also E 1/2 N.E.
 & SW NE 1/4 of Sect 11 29 SW 9 E Also
 W 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec 17 29 R10 Also the following
 described Iowa lots lying being and
 situated in the County and State of Iowa
 and known and described on the Town
 Plat of the town of Shawm town as
 in Lots No 1021 1022 1024 & 1047
 Your Petitioner further represents that the
 said John Reid Sr left him surviving
 his wife Margaret Reid and the
 following children and grand children
 to wit. his son John Reid Sr his
 daughter Nancy Ann Reid who
 intermarried with Stephen B. Rowan
 his grand child Rebecca the only
 child and sole heir of James Reid
 deceased son of the said John Reid Sr
 dec'd and his grand son James W
 Reid dec'd who was the son of the
 said Alexander Reid dec'd who was the
 son of the said John Reid Sr dec'd.
 Your Petitioner would further represent
 that the said John Reid dec'd had
 another son by the name of William Reid
 but as Your petitioner is informed
 believes and charges respects from the
 State more than nine years before
 the death of the said John Reid Sr

Your Petitioner states that they cannot ascertain
 of the title papers & claim papers for the reason that
 they consist of papers which are in possession of the
 said Joseph Reid

And that from the time of his departure
hitherto & he has not been heard of
by any member of his family or
by any one else to the knowledge of your
petitioners wherefore your petitioners charge
that the said William Shaw been
dead before the death of the said
John Reed & that he left no widow
child or children or descendants of
a child being surviving
Your petitioners would further show
that since the death of the said
John Reed or the said Rebecca long
interrimmed with our Joseph Bales
and that the said James O Reed son
of the said Andrew Reed died, since
the death of the said John Reed &
died & has departed this life leaving
no widow or children, ^{him} surviving
but left some surviving brothers &
sister of the half blood as follows to wit
Josephin McCallen Andrew J McCallen
and Mary McCallen and his mother
Mary Ann McCallen and your petitioners
Andrew McCallen in right as husband
of the said Mary Ann McCallen his heirs
at law Your petitioners further represents
that the said Mary Ann Rowan and
Stephen R Rowan in right of ^{the said} Nancy Ann

his wife an estate to be equal
 undivided one fourth part the said
 John Reed jr to be equal ~~and~~ undivided
 one fourth part and the said Rebecca
 Bowler and the said Joseph Bowler in
 right of the said Rebecca. & be equal
 undivided one fourth part and the
 said May Ann McCallister Josephine
~~McCallister~~ Andrew J and May McCallister
 and John Peterson in right of his
 wife an estate to the remaining
 equal undivided fourth part of
 of said lands above described
 the said May Ann McCallister taking
 two undivided fifths of the one
 undivided fourth part to part of all
 of said lands and lots as one of the
 heirs of the said James Reed dec'd, son
 of the said Andrew Reed dec'd and
 his said half brother and sisters taking
 the remaining three undivided fifths
 parts of the said undivided fourth
 part (which the said fourth part
 descended to the said half brother
 James W Reed dec'd,) in three equal
 undivided parts between them, that is
 to say the said Josephine McCallister is
 estate to be equal undivided one

two tenths part of all said lands, the
said Andrew McCallum & Ors under
said one twentieth part thereof and
the said Mary McCallum Ors under division
one twentieth part thereof

Your petitioners would further
show that the said Margaret Reed
Widow of the said John Reed Senior
had in writing & shown in the
aforesaid premises that there are several
other persons interested in the said
described premises than Your petitioners
and the said Anne, Ann Rowan and
Stephen Rowan in right of his said
wife Nancy, Ann Rowan the said
Rebecca Bowls and Joseph Bowls
in right of the said Rebecca the said
John Reed Sr as far as Your petition
knows, Your petitioners
pray Your Honor to send a
decree for a division or partition
of the premises aforesaid according to the
respective rights of the parties interested
therein as herein set forth or for
a sale thereof if it shall appear that
partition cannot be made without
manifest prejudice to the Owners of the
same. They pray that Your Honor
appoint other Commissioners herein
as required by the Statute in such

Cases made and provided that the
 said Margaret and John and
 Nancy and Rowen and Stephen and Rowen
 Rebecca Bowles and Joseph Bowles
 be made defendants to this petition
 and be required to answer the same
 that the Peoples most gracious writ
 of Summons be issued directed &
 Commanding to return and
 that Your Honor will grant such
 other process and specific relief as
 may be required in the premises
 and as in duty bound he will
 ever prove

Andrew McCallum

May Ann McCallum &

Joseph McCallum

Andrew S McCallum &

May McCallum by said

Andrew McCallum their

Guardian

James A. Bly

State of Illinois Gallatin County set
Audum McCallum states on oath
that the Matter and charges set
forth in the foregoing petition
so far as stated from his own
knowledge are true & as far as stated
from information of others he believes
to be true

Sworn to before me
this 15th May 1855 } Audum McCallum
J. E. Hall clk }

Audum McCallum } Gallatin Circuit Court
vs } Petition for Partition
Joseph Powell }
and others heirs }
and Widow of }
John Reed }

I Acknowledge myself bound
to pay all costs which may occur
in this action and legally shew
on said Memoir Joseph McCallum
Audum J. McCallum and May McCallum
15th May 1855

Audum McCallum

upon the filing of which petitions
a summons was issued as follows.
State of Illinois Collection County Sub.
The People of the State of Illinois to
The Sheriff of said County Greeting.
We command you to summon
Margaret Price, John Price &
Nancy Ann Rowan and Stephen
P. Rowan, Rebecca Bowler, and
Joseph Bowler, if to be found in
your county, to appear before the
circuit court of said county
on the first day of the next
Term thereof, to be holden at the
Court House in Shawanatown
on the first Monday of June
next to answer to a petition
for partition of Real Estate
filed in our said court against
them by Andrew McCallen and
Mary Ann McCallen, and
Josephine McCallen, Andrew S
McCallen, and Mary McCallen
Minors of Andrew McCallen their
Guardian, and to give notice
and return as the Law directs
Witness J. S. Hull Clerk of our said
court and the Judicial Seal thereof
at Shawanatown this 15th day of
May 1855

Sealed

J. S. Hull Clerk

Sheriff's Return.

Enclosed the within summons of reading
and delivering a true copy to the within
named defendants, Margaret Price
John Price, Stephen P. Rowan, and
Nancy Anne Rowan, Joseph Bowler
and Rebecca Bowler. May 23rd 1855

JAMES H. CAMPBELL S. G. C.

by James Bradford

deputy Sheriff S. G. C.

And afterwards the following proceedings
were had in said court in said
cause, to-wit,

January Term 1855. June 5th

On this day came the petitioners
of the above the Solicitor, and on
his motion, the defendants are
ordered to answer by Thursday
morning next,

October Term 1855. 1 November.

In this cause the defendants withdrew
their answers to the petition,

And the parties agreed that if the
Judge should be of opinion, that an
injunction ought not to be granted
upon a bill presented by defendant
Proctor, and now under
consideration, that the order for
partition shall be made by the
Judge during the ensuing Term
of the Supreme Court, and Justice
on the Record as of this Term
and that Joseph B. Boyer, Edmund
J. Nicholson, and John Edward
Pheasant be commissioners
each party saving all rights in
the premises as though the order
was made in open court, at

the present Term, the parties have
Waiving the right to object to such
order being entered in vacation
but Waiving no other right in the
premises whatever. -

Grand Term 1856. - continued

October Term 1856. 1 November 1856.

In Callahan Circuit Court

October Term 1856

Andrew McCallen & Mary Ann McCallen
his wife and Josephine McCallen
Andrew J. McCallen and Mary
McCallen infants who are by their
Guardian Andrew McCallen

Against } upon petition for partition and
Margaret ~~widow~~^{widow} of John Reid Senr.
deceased, Nancy Ann Rowan and
Stephen R. Rowan her husband, John
Reid Jr, Rebecca Bowles and Joseph
Bowles her husband,

And now at this day comes
again the said plaintiffs by whom
their attorney, the said Margaret Reid
by Nancy her attorney, the said Rebecca
Bowles and Joseph Bowles by Thomas
their attorney, and the said Nancy Ann
Rowan and Stephen R. Rowan by the
said Rowan in person, and the
said John Reid Jr having been duly
served with process and failing to
appear herein, it is ordered that the
petition as against him, him be taken
as confessed and no order having been
made by the Judge of the court under
the order of October 1855 agreeing to the

~~Decision~~
 a ~~draft~~ of the cause by the Judge
 in vacation, and the Judge being of the
 opinion that the said Rawan is not
 entitled to an injunction on the Bill
 filed on the chancery side of the
 Court referred to in the former order
 and the said Rebecca Bowles and Joseph
 Bowles and Anne Rawan and
 Stephen R. Kover having at the October
 Term 1885 withdrawn the several demurs
 filed by them to the petition aforesaid,
 the cause is now heard upon the said
 petition and evidence produced by
 the parties aforesaid - whereupon
 the Court finds from the admissions
 of the parties and testimony produced
 the facts following - First that John
 Rice Senior died intestate in the
 year 1849 seized in fee of the lands
 and tenements described in the
 petition - to wit ~~here describe the~~
~~lands and tenements described as~~
~~in the petition,~~ Second Second
 that the said John Rice Senior
 left his surviving at his death and
~~represented in respect to the lands~~
~~and tenements aforesaid the said~~
~~Rice Senior, John Rice Junior~~

The NW gr of the SW gr and W 1/2 of the SE gr
and E 1/2 of the SW gr of Section 12 T 8 S. R 9. E.
also E 1/2 of the SW gr - W 1/2 of the NE gr and the
NW gr of Section 20. Township 9. S. R 10. E.
Also the NW gr of fractional Section 7. T 9. S. R 10. E.
and W 1/2 of the SE gr of Section 7. T 9. S. R 10. E.
Also the NE gr Section 19 T. 9. S. R 10. E. Also the
SE. gr - the SW. gr - the W 1/2 of the NW. gr - the E 1/2
of the NW. gr and the W 1/2 of the NE. gr of Section
18. T 9. S. R 10. E. Also the NE. gr - the SE. gr.
and the NW. gr of Section 12 T 9. S. R 9. E. Also
the E 1/2 of the SE. gr of Section 1. T 9. S. R 9. E.
Also E 1/2 of the NE. gr and the SW gr of the
NE. gr of Section 11. T. 9. S. R. 9. E. Also the W 1/2 of
the NW. gr of Section 17. T 9. S. R. 10. E. Also
the following described Town lots. lying, being and situate
in the County and State aforesaid, and known and described
on the Town plat of the town of Shawanutoon as per
Lots No: 1021. 1022. 1024 and 847.

Second - That the said John Reid sent left him surviving
as his heirs and representatives in respect to the Lands and
tenements aforesaid Margaret Reid his widow. John Reid Jr.
a son

Marney Ann Rowan a daughter,
Rebecca Bowles a grand daughter and
only child of James Reid a son
and James A Reid a grand son,
and only child of Alexander Reid
deceased,

Third, - that the said James, A, Reid
departed this life in infant leaving
no child or descendant, but leaving
him surviving his mother Mary Ann
McCallen who had intermarried with
said Andrew McCallen, and Joseph
McCallen, Andrew J. McCallen and
Mary McCallen half brother and sisters
as his heirs, upon which testimony,
the Court deems orders, and adjuges,
as follows,

First that the said Margaret Reid
widow as aforesaid is entitled to
be endowed of one third of said
lands and tenements, as alleged in
the petition, but for as much as it is
now made to appear to the Court that
dower has been set off and assigned
to said widow under and in pur-
suance of an order of this Court
made on the petition of Joseph
~~and Rebecca~~ ^{and Rebecca} Bowles his wife
Bowles, filed previous to the

commencement of this suit, and
 Rebecca Reides her wife the prayer
 of the petition in this cause in
 respect to the dower of said ~~land~~
 Margaret Reid is disallowed,
 Second - That Subject to the said
 dower of Estate of Margaret Reid
 the said John Reid Jr. is entitled
 to one fourth of said lands and
 tenements, the said James
 Ann Rowan and Stephen Rowan
 in right of the said James Ann,
 to one fourth, the said Rebecca Bowles
 and Joseph Bowles in right of the
 said Rebecca one fourth, and the
 said plaintiffs as the heirs of
 James A. Reid, one fourth, that is,
 the said Mary Ann McCallen and
 Andrew McCallen in right of the said
 Mary Ann, are entitled to two fifths
 of said fourth and the said Josephine,
 Andrew J. and Mary, to one fifth
 each, - and the Court does hereby
 order and decree, that partition be
 made of said lands and tenements
 between the said parties according
 to their respected rights as aforesaid,
 and it is further ordered by the

Court that ^{the} whole of the said lands
and townships including the one
third assigned to said widow be
divided into four equal parts,
by miles and boucels, having
regard to Quality and Quantity
and that one of said parts be
set off and assigned to each of
the parties entitled as aforesaid,
in making which division and
partition, the Commissioners will
take into consideration the value
of the dower estate of said Margaret
Reid, in and to ~~their~~ quarter section
of said land assigned and set off
to her as her dower estate, to wit,
the South half of Section Eighteen, and
the North East quarter of Section Twenty
in Township Nine South range Ten
East, and the Court further orders
in respect to the one fourth that
may be set off and assigned to the
said plaintiffs, that the same be
again divided into five equal parts
having regard to Quality and
Quantity and two of said parts
be set off and assigned to the
said Andrew McCallen, and Mary

Ann McCallen in right of the said
 Mary Ann, and one of said parts
 be set off and assigned ~~to~~ to each of
 said children of said Mary Ann,
 and the Court further orders that
 Josph. B. Boyer, George Moore & A. Pool
 be and they are hereby appointed
 commissioners to execute this order
 and they are ordered to go upon
 the premises and make the said
 partition if the same can be
 done consistently with the interests
 of the Estates, and report their action
 to this Court, and the case is
 continued.

May Term 1857. 26 May.

On this day came the commissioners appointed at the last term of this court to make partitions and filed their Report, and moved the ~~Report~~ court to approve the same, —

The Report of the Commissioners is in the words following.

State of Illinois Gallatin County, ss

In the Circuit Court of said County
Mary Ann McCallen and
Andrew McCallen her husband,
and Josephine McCallen, Mary
McCallen, & Andrew D. McCallen,
infants, who sue by their
Guardian vs Andrew McCallen,

against. Proceeding for Partition vs
Margaret Reid, John Reid jr,
Nancy Ann Rowan and Stephen
R. Rowan her husband and
Rebecca Bowles and Joseph
Bowles her husband.

The subscribers
hereto having been appointed Com-
missioners to make Partition in this
Case, do severally swear, that
we will fairly and impartially
make Partition of the lands and
tenements described in the order
of Court for that purpose, in
accordance with the Judgment
of the Court, as to the rights and interests
of the parties, if the same can be
done, consistently with the interests
of the estate, according to the best

of our Judgment, so help us God,
Sworn to and subscribed
before me on this 17th }
day of February AD 1857. } Geo Moore
James Davanport Clark } O Pool
Circuit Court } Jo B Barger
Commissioners

State of Illinois Gallatin County, ss

In the Circuit Court of said County
Mary Ann McCallen and
Andrew McCallen her husband
Josephine McCallen, Mary
McCallen and Andrew J
McCallen Infants, who are
by their Guardians vs Andrew McCallen
against. Proceeding for Partition.
Margarett Reid, John Reid jr,
Nancy Ann Rowan and
Stephen R Rowan her husband
and Rebecca Bowles and Joseph
Bowles her husband,

We George Moore,
Orval Pool, and Joseph B Barger
Commissioners appointed in the
above entitled cause to make
Partition between said parties of the
Real Estate whereof John Reid Sr

did seized, having been sworn in
due form of law, entered upon the
duties assigned us, we first went
upon the lands and tenements
described in the order, and agreed
upon the valuation of each parcel
as follows, having regard to the value
of the Dower estate of Margaret Reid in
the three quarter sections of land
assigned to her as stated in the order
we then divided the same into four
parcels of equal value, according to
quantity and quality and set off, allotted
and assigned the same as follows,
First, we set off, allot and assign to
the said John Reid as his fourth
part of the said lands and tenements
the following, the West half of the North
East quarter of Section Twelve, the
North West quarter of Section Twelve
(12) the South East quarter of Section
Twelve (12) East half of the North East
quarter of Section Eleven (11) and the South
West qr. of the North East quarter Section
Eleven (11) all in Township Nine (9)
South Range Nine (9) East,
Second, we set off allot and assign
to the said Nancy A. Brown and

Stephen B Bowan her husband, as
her fourth part of said lands and
tenements the following, to wit
the West half of the North East of section
Twenty (20) the North West quarter of
section Twenty (20) the East half of
the South West quarter of section Twenty
(20) the West half of the North West quarter
of section Seventeen (17) and the North
East quarter of the South East quarter
of section Eighteen (18) all in Township
Nine (9) South Range Ten (10) East, and
In Lot in Shaverstowne numb. Eight
hundred and forty seven (847).

Third, we set off, allot, and assign
to the said Rebecca Bowles and Joseph
Bowles her husband, as her fourth part
of said lands and tenements the
following. The South West quarter
and West half of South East quarter
and the South East quarter, of the South
East in Section Eighteen (18) and the
North East quarter of Section Nineteen
(19) all in Township Nine (9) South Range
Ten (10) East. In Lots in Shaverstowne
no. One thousand & ⁽¹⁰²¹⁾ twenty one, one thousand
and ⁽¹⁰²²⁾ twenty two, one thousand & ⁽¹⁰²⁴⁾ twenty four.
Fourth, we set off allot and assign

to the said Mary Ann McCallen and
Andrew McCallen her husband, Joseph
McCallen, Andrew J McCallen, and Mary
McCallen as the heirs of James A Reid
as their fourth part of said lands and
tenements the following,
the North West qr and West half of the
South East quarter of Section Seven (7)
and West half North East qr and North
West qr of Section Eighteen (18) Township
Nine (9) South Range Ten (10) East, and
East half South East qr of Section One (1)
and East half North East quarter Section
Twelve (12) Township Nine (9) South Range
Nine (9) East, and the West half of the
South East and East half of the South
West and North West qr. of the South West
of Section Twelve (12) Township Eight (8)
South Range Nine (9) East.

After making the
division and Partition aforesaid
we proceeded to the Partition of the
fourth, set off, allotted and assigned
to Mary Ann McCallen and Andrew
McCallen her husband, Joseph McCallen
Mary McCallen and Andrew J McCallen
and upon a full examination and
consideration of the same, we do not

Consider the same susceptible of division
without material injury to the value
of the same,

Witness our hands and seals this
18th day of February 1857.

Geo Moore (Seal)

Lo B Barger (Seal)

W Pool

Commissioners

Commissions for
Geo Moore 2 days as Surveyor + 2
days as Commissioner \$4 - \$16.00
W Pool, 3 days as Compr 4 12.00
Lo B Barger 3 days as Compr 4 12.00

State of Illinois }
Gallatin County } Det.

I James Davenport Clerk of the
Circuit Court for said County do certify
that the foregoing is a true and perfect
copy of the Report of the Commissioners
appointed to make Partition of the lands
in the above cause, now on file in my
office. Given under my hand & the Seal

of said Court this 19th February 1857

James Davenport Clerk

July Term 1857. continued

October Term 1857. See order below.

Checks for \$1.00

Andrew McCallen & Mary Ann McCallen
his wife, and Josephine McCallen,
Mary McCallen, & Andrew J McCallen
by Andrew McCallen their Guardian
against $\frac{2}{3}$ proceeding for partition.
John Price, Stephen R Rowens
and Nancy Ann Rowens his wife
and Joseph Bowler and Rebecca
Bowler his wife Defendants,
This day came against the parties
aforesaid by their Attorneys, and
the matter of the Report of the
Commissioners making partition
having, with the Exceptions thereto
being heard and argued, It is
ordered by the court that ~~none~~ ^{all}
said exceptions, ^{be overruled, except the fourth which} ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~sustained;~~ and
therefore that said Report be set
aside and for nothing below,
The Defendants Joseph Bowler and
Rebecca Bowler present their Bill
of Exceptions, which is signed sealed
and made part of the Record,
And on the prayer of the said
Joseph Bowler, ^{and Rebecca his wife} ~~and~~ a special is
allowed them in this cause to the
Supper Court, reverse his executing
and filing and appeal bond with
the clerk of this court within ten days.

payable to the Plaintiffs herein, in
 the sum of one thousand dollars
 with John B. Baker or Alfred B. Gafford as security
 conditional for the due prosecution
 of the Appeal, and for the
 payment of the costs in case
 the Judgment is affirmed.

Bill of Exceptions referred to in the
 foregoing order.

In Gallatin County Circuit Court
 October Term 1857.

Andrew McCallen & others
 heirs of Alexander Price

against proceeding for partition.

Stephen P. Rowan & others

As it Remembers that on the 19th day
 of February 1857 the commissioners
 appointed to make partition herein
 filed their Report with the clerk of
 this court, which Report at the
 May Term 1857 of this court was
 presented to the court for approval
 and confirmation, when Exceptions
 were filed to said Report by Stephen
 P. Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan,
 his wife, John Price, Mary Ann
 McCallen and Andrew McCallen
 her husband, and Josephine McCallen
 Mary McCallen & Andrew J. McCallen.

of Andrew McCallen their Guardian
as follows. (has copy Exemptions
marked A.) The cause was subsequently
continued from Term to Term, until
the present Term, To wit, October Term 1857.
When the matter of said Exemptions
~~was~~^{was} heard, upon which hearing
the affidavits of Orrill Sexton
A. H. Cook, C. Lafferty, Jesse Jenkins,
P. J. Wisheart and the defendant
Stephen P. Rowan were read in
support of said Exemptions, also
a Decree of this Court sitting in
Chancery in the case of Stephen
P. Rowan against Andrew
McCallen, Joseph Bowler & others
of the October Term 1856, which
Affidavits are as follows. (has
copy marked B & C.) said Decree
is as follows (has copy marked
D.) On the part of defendant
Bowler & wife the Affidavits of
William Coops, George W. Albers,
John J. Walters and Joseph B. Payne
and the Township plat attached
thereto, were read as follows
(has copy these affidavits and
plat marked E.) upon the

Hearing of said Exceptions and the
 Testimony aforesaid, which was all
 the Testimony in the Cause, The
 Court overruled all of the Exceptions
 to said Report except the fourth
 and sustained the fourth Exception
 to said Report, and set the Report
 aside to which decision of the
 Court in setting aside said
 Report the said Joseph Bowler and
 Rebecca Bowler except, and pray
 that their their bill of Exceptions
 may be signed and sealed and
 made part of the Record
 herein which is accordingly done

Wesley Glover (Seal)

The papers referred to in the foregoing
 Bill of Exceptions are as follows.

(10)
State of Illinois } At the May term of the Circuit
Circuit Court, } Court of said Circuit Court 1857

Septim R Bowen and Nancy
Ann Bowen his wife John Reed and
Mary Ann McCallen Andrew McCallen
his husband and Josephine McCallen
Mary McCallen and Andrew J McCallen
by Andrew McCallen their guardian
now come into Court and except
to the report of the Commissioners
appointed by this Honorable Court
to make partition of the lands of
John Reed deceased on the petition
of said Andrew McCallen and others
because they say and are ready
to prove under the direction of this
Honorable Court,

1st That the partition made herein
is unequal in value among those
having equal interests in the
lands aforesaid

2^o That the portion allotted by said
Commissioners to Joseph Bowen and
his wife is worth twenty four
hundred or there thousand dollars
more than the portion or share
allotted by said Commissioners to
Each of the other heirs equal in
interest with said Bowen & wife

3^d That ~~the~~ Said Commissioners have not apacted the lands in said petition describe Among the several parts according to their respective rights and interests and in pursuance with the order of this Honorable Court but have apacted as to some and reported that as to others a division could not be made without manifest prejudice to them 4th That at the time said partition was made by Said Commissioners they had no authority to act in the premises and that the order ~~of Court~~ authorizing them to act was taken at the last term of this Court recited the facts order of this Court herein as will appear by the record remaining on in this Court.

5th That Said Commissioners after they had divided said lands into four parts which were ^{un}equal, assigned to some of the parties in interest their parts and then as to two others threw up heads or tails as to choice of the two remaining portions or parts which was unfair and illegal

And the parties here mentioning
their objections to the allowance of
said report of said Commissioner
being, will present the facts set up
in the above exceptions under the
Order and directives of this Court
Pony for sd
parties

Gallatin Circuit Court May
Affidavit (B) J 1857 Petition for Partition
Andrew McCallan Guardian &c

vs
Margaret Reed et al
Orval Sexton

Orval Sexton after being
duly sworn according to Law deposes &
says, That he is well acquainted with
all the Lands mentioned in the said
Petition for Partition and that he has
carefully examined the report of the
Commissioners appointed in the
above Cause & appointed and set off
the said lands to the several parties
entitled to the same that the partition
made in the said report is not
equitable That in the lands set apart
to Rebecca Bowler there is a good buck
horn a fine tract of land in
Cultivation and all the remaining water
on the tract formerly known as the
Bourshon which in his opinion was
the part set off to said Rebecca Bowler,
(Subject as it is said to be, to the Meadows
above) worth at least one thousand
dollars more than the part set off
and allotted to Nancy Ann Rowan
and he believes the same to be

readily sell for that much more
money if they were both put up for
sale

Done & as subscribed }
before me this the } Orville Sexton
3rd day of June 1857 }
James Davenport Clerk

State of Illinois }
Halleck County, } I Allen H Cook
do Certify that I was raised
upon the adjoining tract of land
next to and adjoining the tract
land upon which the Reed farm
is situated and have examined
the report of the Commissioners who
made ~~the~~ partition between the heirs
of the late Dr John Reed decd
and I fully concur with the
within affiant of Orville Sexton
that the division is unequal and
unjust, in my opinion there is
no doubt given under my
hand this 2nd day of June 1857
A H Cook

to the under signed fully concur
in opinion with Orville Sexton
as expressed in the within

Affidavit given under our hands
day of Jan 1857

C. Saffery
Jesse Siskens

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 29th day
of July 1857

James Sawyers Clerk

Richard Wischert after being duly sworn
says that he is well acquainted with lands
now owned by the heirs of the late John
And the same that decended to them as ^{the survey} heirs
of said John that he has examined the
report of the Commissioners to wit Rufus
Swon Dager Pool deveding ^{said} ~~the~~ lands
that he is equally of the opinion
And that the lands set apart to Rebecca
Bowles & her husband Joseph Bowles
encumbered as it is, with the mcdow
above is worth at least one thousand
dollars more than either the parts set
aside to John & her or the part set
apart to Nancy A Rowan and her
husband Stephen Rowan

R. S. Wischert

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 22^d day of Oct 1857

James Sawyers

Clerk

Affidavit (C)

State of Illinois } Partition of Real estate
 Gallatin County } between the heirs of Ordo
 Rex Decd

Sydney Rowan being sworn states
 that he was informed shortly
 after the report of the Commissioners
 that J. of the Commissioners
 to wit O'Pool & J. B. Baugh were
 made and taken as a choice
 between Rebecca Bowls and
 Nancy Ann Rowan and that
 Baugh won first choice for
 Bowls as this affiant is
 informed and believes
 S. H. Rowan

Sworn to and Subscribed
 before me this 24th day of Oct 1887
 James Sampson CLK

Order of { Stephen A Rowen and Nancy Ann Rowen
 Court } his wife
 (2) } Against { See Chancery
 } { Joseph Bowler & Co}

The Motion submitted at the October term 1855 of this Court for an injunction on behalf of the Complainants and not decided is now submitted to the Court for decision upon the bill. Answers of Defendants Joseph Bowler & wife and Andrew McCallen wife with replications thereto the affidavits of Aaron B Stout Abraham Kitchpatrick and James Beasley taken by Defendants with notice to Complainant Rowen of the intention to take and use affidavits on the hearing of said Motion also the affidavits of Henry Hill N H Tomasson and Margaret Bond taken by Complainants and the Court being sufficiently advised of and concerning the premises does hereby order that the Motion aforesaid be and the same is hereby overruled. And that the Court forthwith order that the bill be dismissed at the Complainants cost

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Whereupon on the prayer of the
 Complainants an appeal is allowed
 them from this decree to the Supreme
 Court, which appeal the Defendants
 Consent may be prosecuted without
 the execution of any appeal Bond
 And the Defendants further Consent
 that the appeal and cause shall
 stand for hearing at the ensuing
 November term of the Supreme
 Court at Mount Vernon as though
 thirty days had intervened between
 the time of making the appeal and
 the sitting of ^{said} the Court. The aff-
 davits and notes used on the
 Motion for injunction & the Constitution
 part of the record herein and
 be considered as depositions.

The Defendants further agree that
 the reversal of this decree shall
 operate as an injunction according
 to the prayer of the bill and the
 proceedings in the proceedings at
 law to be stayed until the further
 order of the Court herein.

(2)
State of Illinois Gallatin County s. s.

In the Circuit Court of Said County.

Andrew M. Callin & others

Against B Proceeding for Partition.

Stephen R. Rowan & others

William Loop being sworn states that he is well acquainted with the lands of which the late Doct. John Reid died possessed near Shawanetown in Said County of Gallatin, which lands are marked in the within Township plats, - he has examined the map of the partition of said Lands as made by the Commissioners appointed to divide the same as represented on the within Township plats, - his opinion is that the eight hundred and forty acres set off to A. M^c Callin & others is worth more than either of the other shares; it is so situated, that three good farms can be made and occupied hereon. - There is no great difference in his opinion between the value of the shares of John Reid and Nancy Ann Rowan. - Some persons would possibly prefer one, and others the other. The part allotted to Rebecca Rowles he considers the least valuable because of its being subject to the dower estate of Margaret Reid, - but for that incumbrance this part would be worth as much as the part of said

Nancy ^{ann} Rowan and possibly might sell for more on account of the houses on it. - The said Coop further states, that the whole of said Lands are valuable for purposes of agriculture, and that differences of opinion would almost necessarily exist among good judges of Land in regard to the value of the several parts, - He does not believe that any three men selected for that purpose, would be likely to make a more equitable division than has been made -

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of July 1857. William Coop
 F. W. Hamilton (Jr) -

State of Illinois Gallatin County S.S.

In the Circuit Court of said County.

Andrew M. Callin & others

against & proceeding for Partition
 Stephen R. Rowan & others.

George M. Atch being sworn, states that he has been well acquainted with the Lands of which the late Doct John Reid did possess in Gallatin County for many years, - that he has examined

the plat of division thereof, as marked
on the within Township plat; - his opinion
is, that the Eight hundred and forty
acres assigned to A. M. Callen & others
is more valuable than either of the other
parts, in respect to the other three parts,
he thinks there is not much difference
in the value, if all were alike free from
incumbrance, and the parties had the
right to immediate possession - but he
regards the part assigned to Rebecca
Rowles as less valuable than either
of the other parts because of the dower
Estate of Margaret Reid, which he
is informed includes the whole of said
part. - The said Lands are all valuable
for agricultural purposes, and men
equally ^{well} acquainted with the parts would
be likely ^{to disagree} as to their value,

Upon looking at the plat of the division
he is of opinion, that a more equitable
division would not likely be made
by any three men who could be selected
for that purpose, - he was born and
was raised near said Lands, and has
known them well, more than thirty five
years.

G. W. Atkins.
Subscribed & sworn to before me
this 28th day of July 1857
J. B. Banger clerk County Court

State of Illinois Gallatin County &c.

In the Circuit Court of Said County,
Andrew M. Callen & others

Against - 3 Proceeding for Partition
Stephen P. Rowan & others.

John H. Walter being sworn states that several years since he acted as a Commissioner under an order of the Gallatin County Circuit Court, to make partition of the Lands of the late Gov. John Reid in Gallatin County Illinois. The lands were divided into four parts of equal value in the opinion of the Commissioners having regard to the then situation of improvements and condition of ^{the country}. He has examined the plat of said Lands and division thereof, as represented on the within Township plat, the division differs from the one made when he acted as Commissioner, which may be accounted for, in the difference in the situation of improvements, the difference in the orders of courts, and the difference of opinion, which would be likely to exist in regard to the value of the different parts of said Lands. He is of opinion that the part set off to Rebecca Powell is free from the Ower

estate would be more valuable than any other part - by one thousand Dollars, but as it is, he thinks the part assigned to A. McCallen is nearly of equal value, - the parts set off to John Reid and A. A. Rowan are of about equal value, neither of them ~~are~~ in his opinion are equal in value to the other two parts, - the said Lands are all valuable, and it would be difficult in his opinion to get any three men to agree upon the precise value of each parcel, - He has not examined said lands or improvements for several years - and does not know the present condition of the same.

Subscribed and sworn to by John T. Walters
before me this 30th day
of July A.D. 1857
J. B. Ringer etc

Joseph B. Ringer being sworn states that he was one of the Commissioners who acted in dividing the lands referred to in the foregoing affidavits, - In making the division the Commissioners estimated the value

of each tract of land, and then
 divided the same into four parts
 of equal value according to their
 estimates, he does not remember
 the aggregate value fixed upon
 the whole of said Lands, - but
 in his opinion the whole of said
 lands at the time of the division
 were reasonably worth Twenty two
 thousand dollars

Subscribed and sworn to by Joseph B. Rogers
 before me this 22^d October 3^d
 1857

Thos. S. Sweeney (JP)

On the 29th day of October 1857 the said
Joseph Bowler executed and filed with
the clerk and official Bond, with
Joseph B. Barger as security, as follows.
"Know all men by these presents that
the Joseph Bowler and Joseph B. Barger
are here and firmly bound unto
Andrew McCullen and Mary Ann
McCullen his wife, and Josephine
McCullen, Mary McCullen, and
Andrew J. McCullen in the sum of
seven hundred dollars for
the true payment whereof we
bind ourselves our heirs & jointly
and severally, and firmly by these
presents, sealed with our seals and
executed this 28th day of October 1857.
The conditions of the above obligation
is such, that whereas at the October
Term 1857 of the Gallatin County
Circuit Court, the said Court made
and entered an order in ac-
cance thereof pending between
the above named obligors plaintiffs
and Joseph Bowler and Rebecca his
wife, John Price, and Stephen P.
Bowman and Nancy Ann Bowman
his wife as defendants, or parties

for partition of Real Estate, setting
aside the Report of Commissioners
making partition, under an order
of said court, from which order of
said court an appeal has been
allowed to said Board to the
Supreme Court, - Now in case
he shall prosecute said appeal
with effect, and pay all costs which
may be adjudged against him
in case the said order is affirmed
then this bond to be void otherwise
to remain in full force and
effect.

for Bowles *(Seal)*

for B. Bangor *(Seal)*

State of Illinois Gallatin County, S.S.
I James Duvenport Clerk of the circuit
court of said County do certify that
the foregoing fiftyfourpages contain a
full and complete copy of the Record
and proceedings of said court in
the case therein stated, Smith, Andrew
McCallum & others against John Price
and others heirs of John Price, Given
under my hand and the Seal of said Court
This 28th day of October 1857.

James Duvenport Clerk

Charges for forgoing Province

10752 Words

\$10.75

Certificate & Seal

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\$11.00

James Davenport ltk

paid

State of Illinois S.S.

In Supreme Court of said State,

First Grand Division

November Term 1857.

Joseph Bowler and Rebecca
Bowler his wife, respondents
with John Price, and

Stephen R. Brown, and

Nancy Ann Brown his wife

against } Writ of Error to
} Inds. Court of
} Gallatin County
} Circuit Court.

Andrew McCallum & Mary Ann

McCallum his wife, and

Josephine McCallum, Mary

McCallum, and Andrew J. McCallum

Minors who are by their

Guardians Andrew McCallum,

The Clerk of the Supreme Court will

file this Record in this cause, issue

and file the Writ of Error, and

Issue summonses to Gallatin

County against the above named

Defendants, and also against John

Price, Stephen R. Brown and

Nancy Ann Brown, requiring

all of them to appear and answer

do. returnable to November Term 1857.

Shannontown W. H. Thomas

29 October 1857.

Atty for plffs

Memo.

The foregoing cases stood in The Circuit Court. -

Andrew McCallen and Mary Ann McCallen his wife, and Josephine McCallen Mary McCallen and Andrew J McCallen Minors who were by Andrew McCallen their Guardian

Plffs

against

Joseph Bowler & Rebecca Bowler his wife, Stephen B Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife and John Price Defendants
The writ of Error is prosecuted by Joseph Bowler and Rebecca Bowler his wife, from the Judgment of ~~Andrew~~ October Term 1857.

The writ of Error is which is issued and filed, is made out in the usual form, - The summonses against the parties I want against all the plaintiffs in the Circuit Court, and after their names are written in the summonses, or at the proper place, add an requisition in the summonses, that the Sheriff also summon Stephen B Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife, and John Price to appear to, they are parties who are not joined in the prosecution of the writ of Error, and I want them notified

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W. M. Thomas
Atty Gen.

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State of Illinois S.S.

In the Supreme Court of said State
First Grand Division

November Term 1897.

Joseph Bowler and Rebecca Bowler his wife
imphlorae with John Price and
Stephen R. Rowan and Nancy Ann
Rowan his wife } Upon writ of
against } Error from

} Judgment of
} Gallatin Circuit Court

Andrew McCullen & Nancy Ann
McCullen his wife, and Josephine
McCullen, Mary McCullen, and
Andrew J. McCullen Minors
who are by their Guardian
Andrew McCullen,

And the said Plaintiff in Error come
and file the Record of the proceedings
and Judgment of the Circuit Court
aforesaid, and say, that in the
said proceedings and Judgment
errors have occurred to their
prejudice, for which they pray
that said Judgment may be set
aside &c, And they pray set aside
and assign for errors the following
first; The said Circuit Court
erred in not making an
order approving and confirming
the Report of the Commissioners
making partition in said
cause,

Enrolled

Secured, the said court, in making an
order setting aside the said Report
of the commissioners making partition,
Wherefore they pray judgment of
Plena et

Sherrington & Co

W. Thomas
Att'y for plaintiffs

29 October 1857.

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Joseph Rowland & Rebecca
Rowland his wife -
impeached with
Stephen R. Rowan and
Mary Ann Rowan his
wife, and John Reed -
Defts in error

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Andrew McCallum and
Mary Ann McCallum his
wife, and Josephine McCallum,
Mary McCallum and
Andrew J. Allen Minors
who are by their Guardian
Andrew McCallum - and
also John Reed, Stephen
R. Rowan and Nancy
Ann Rowan his wife
Defts in error.

Filed 31. October 1857

North Johnston Ct.

Repaid \$5.00

In Supreme Court.

November 1854

Joseph Bowles Appellant. Appeal from
against Gallatin
Andrew McCallan Guardian
for James A. Reid Mary Ann McCallan
Josephine McCallan Andrew J. McCallan and
Mary McCallan Appellees.

In March 1848 Andrew McCallan Guardian
for James A. Reid filed a petition in the
Circuit Court for the purpose of obtaining
partition of the real estate whereof John Reid
Senior Grand Father of the ward, died seized.
the petition is filed by and in the name of the
Guardian and not in the name of the ward.

The petitioner states that John Reid Senior
died intestate, seized in fee of various tracts
of land and town lots which are described
by their numbers. that said John left a
widow Mary Reid, who is still living and
entitled to dower, that he also left four heirs
still living, John Reid Jr. a son, Nancy Ann
Rowan wife of Stephen B. Rowan a daughter,
Rebecca Reid, a Grand Daughter, the only
child and heir of James Reid, deceased a
son, and James A. Reid the ward, the only
child and heir of Alexander Reid a deceased
son, with respect to William Reid another
son of said John it is stated your petitioner is
informed and believes that seven years
before the death of said John, one William
Reid, son of the said John left this State
and that he has not been heard of by any

Member of the family or any one else since he left.

wherefore he supposes he is dead, and upon one enquiry cannot be found within this State, that from thence hitherto it is unknown whether he said William Reid continued in life, but it has been reported, and believed that the said William departed this life soon after he left this country aforesaid,

The petitioner further states that the lands &c. whereof the said John died seized, descended and came upon the said John Reid & Nancy Ann Rowan Rebecca Reid, and James A Reid who are now seized of the fee simple as in joint equal parts, that in the event of the said William Reid being in life at the time of said John Senior, which the petitioner insists the law upon the facts above stated not to be the fact, then the said William Reid is coheir with the said John Reid Nancy Ann Rowan Rebecca Reid and James A, Reid seized in fee simple as coparceners in five equal parts. The heirs of said John Reid including said William are made defendants and the prayer is that partition be made of the real estate among the heirs and dower be set off and assigned to the widow Mary Reid.

Process was issued against all the defendants and ~~all were served upon~~ all except William Reid who was notified of the pendency of the suit by newspaper publication

In February 1850 the Cause was heard, petition taken as Confessed, and order for partition and assignment Entered. under which order partition was made and Dower assigned. But the report of the Commissioners was never approved or their action ratified by the Court.

In October 1851 (10 of the month) the Defendants Joseph Bowles and Rebecca Bowles filed their exceptions to the report of the Commissioners, Making partition &c. and at the same time the Clerk was ordered to amend the order for partition so as to make the description of land conform to the description in the amended petition.

In August 1852 on motion of Complainant it was ordered that the default heretofore taken in the Cause and all Decrees heretofore rendered upon the petition filed herein, be canceled and made void, and the Cause be reopened.

The Death of James A Reid the ward of petitioner was then suggested, and his heirs (to wit) Mary Ann McCallan his mother, Josephine McCallan, Andrew J. McCallan and Mary McCallan, his Brothers and Sisters, were made parties to this suit, and leave given to amend the petition.

In October 1853. (21st October 53) the plaintiff filed his amended petition and on his motion it was

ordered and decreed that the order and decree of partition made at the December term 1850, be amended set aside and vacated, and the defendants were ordered to answer by Wednesday morning, -

The amended petition filed on the 21st October 1853. States that since filing the original petition the ward James A. Reid has departed this life, an infant and intestate leaving him surviving, his Mother Mary Ann McCallan, and his Brothers and Sisters of the half bloods. Josephine Andrew and Mary McCallan Children of the said Mary Ann McCallan, and this petitioner Andrew McCallan, that said James left no Father surviving, nor any other Brothers and Sisters, that said Mother Brothers and Sisters are the sole heirs of the said James A. Reid, the petitioner asks that said heirs be allowed to join herein as Cocomplainants.

On the 26th October 1853. an amended petition is filed in the Cause, which is entitled and Commences as follows
State of Illinois Gallatin County,
Of the October term of the Gallatin Circuit Court. AD 1853. a petition for the partition of the lands of which John Reid Senior died seized, the amended petition of Andrew McCallan Et. al. filed by leave of the Court. first herein had and obtained,

Humblly Complainin^g V^o. your petitioners Andrew McCallan Mary Ann McCallan and Josephine Andrew and Mary McCallan who are by their Father and next friend, Andrew McCallan, would respectfully represent, and shew &c.

The petitioners then proceed to State the Deaths of John Reid Senior, seized of real estate as stated in the original petition, the names of representatives and heirs, the Death of James A. Reid, and their right as his heirs the facts in relation to William Reid, and his supposed Death, the intermarriage of Rebecca Reid with Joseph Bowles, and pray for partition and assignment of Dower,

This petition was sworn to on the 28th October though filed on the 26th

On the 26th October 1853, a demurrer was filed in the name of Rebecca Bowles to the amended bill, and sustained, and leave was given to amend.

On the 27th October 1853, the Complainants suggested on the record the intermarriage of Rebecca Reid with Joseph Bowles, and an order was then made, making Bowles a party to the suit, and requiring Defendants to answer by Monday following.

On the 31st October 1853, an answer was filed in the name of Rebecca Bowles to which on the 1st November exceptions were filed and sustained with leave to amend.

On the 2nd Nov. 1853, the amended answer of Rebecca Bowles was filed to which exceptions were filed, and stayed and the answer excluded, - the amended petition was then taken as confessed, as against said Rebecca Bowles, and all the adult debts, being then called, and failing to appear, the Complainant's amended petition was taken as confessed, - upon which an order for partition and the assignment of dower was made, the evidence upon which the Court acted is not recited, or copied.

An appeal was allowed, to the defendant Joseph Bowles, who brings the case here and assigns for error, -

- 1 The Court Erred in making the order for partition, because because the original petition was not filed by any one having an interest in the estate, proposed to be divided.
2. The Court Erred in making the order for partition because it appears that Andrew McCallan is interested in the estate as tenant by the County, and is not made a party to the suit.
- 3 The Court Erred in making the order for partition without deciding the question of fact, as to the Death of William Reid, or making any order in respect to his rights.
- 4 The Court Erred in making the order for partition, upon the allegations in

the petition and amended petition without
evidence to sustain their truth,

The Court Erred in making any order
as against the appellant Joseph Bowles
because he had not been served with
process, nor notified of the pendency
of the suit.

Restraints relied on by Appellant
Revised Statutes pages 45. 93. 265. 267. 399. 400.
Story's Equity, pleading Ch. 57. 70.
1 Remick's Chy 89.
Prady vs Amidon 10 Paige 239.
Haw vs Heaton 11 96 215.

No. 28

Bowles &
vs Abstract
McCalla

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In the Gallatin Circuit Court, pleas held before
Hon J. S. Marshall Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit

Andrew McCallen Guardian
of James A Reid

Margaret Reid Widow
John Reid Jr Nancy Ann Rowan
Stephen R Rowan Rebecca Reid &
William Reid heirs at Law of
John Reid Decd

Bill for partition
& assignment of
Dawes

Bill

State of Illinois Gallatin County Set
To the Hon William A Dimming associate justice of the
Supreme Court and assigned to preside in the Gallatin
Circuit
In Chancery

The undersigned Andrew McCallen Guardian of James
Alexander Reid your petitioner would respectfully represent
unto your Honor
That John Reid Senior late of Gallatin County deceased
was in his life time and at the time of his death seized
in fee simple by purchase of the General Government of
the U.S. of the following tracts of Land and town Lots to wit
The North West quarter of the South West quarter, and the
West half of the South East quarter of Section 8^o 12, in
Township No 8 S. in Range 9 E. Also the East half of the
South West quarter, and the West half of the North East
quarter, and the North West quarter of Section 20 Township
9 S. in Range 10 East. Also the North West quarter of
Fractional Section 7 in townships 7 South in Range 10 East
And the West half of the South East quarter of Section 7
in townships 9 S in Range 10 East. Also the North East
quarter of Section 19 in townships 9 S. in Range 10 East. Also
the South East quarter and the South West quarter and
the West half of the North West quarter and the East half
of the North West quarter and the West half of the North
East quarter of Section 18 in townships 9 S. in Range 10 East
Also the North East quarter and the South East quarter
and the North West quarter of Section 12 in townships 9 S. in
Range 9 East Also the East half of the South East quarter

of Section 1. in Township 9. S in Range 9. East. Also the East half of the North East quarter, and the South West quarter of the North East quarter of Section 11. in townships 9 S in Range 9 East. Also Town Lots in Shawneetown known on the plat of said town as (Numbers 1021. 1022. 1024. 847. = Also Co. H. S. W. Sec 12 S. 8 R. 9. = 80 acres Also the N. H. N. W. Sec 17 T. 9. R. 10 = 80 acres. All of which lands and townlots are situated in said County of Gallatin and the said Complainant here exhibits & shows to the court the patents from the General Government of the United States which are prapto be taken as parts of this petition marked 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. And being so seized by the said John Reid, Senior, on or about the 8th day of February 1847 departed this life intestate leaving him surviving, his wife Margaret Reid his children John Reid Junior, Nancy Ann Rowan, wife of Stephen R. Rowan - His grand children, Rebecca Reid daughter of James Reid decd. and James A. Reid. (Ward as aforesaid) son of Alexander Reid deceased your petition also alleges that as he is informed and believes seven years before the death of the said John Reid Senior one William Reid son of the said John Reid left this state and that he has not been heard of by any member of his family or any one else since he left wherefore he supposes he is dead and upon all inquiries cannot be found within this state. That from thence hitherto it is unknown whether the said William Reid continues in life but it has been reported and believed that the said William departed this life soon after he left this County aforesaid, that the lands above described descended and came upon the said John Reid Jr. Nancy Ann Rowan, Rebecca Reid, and James A. Reid who now are seized of the fee simple, as in four equal parts

That in the event of the said William Reid being in life at the time of the decease of the said John Reid, or which your petitioner insists the law upon the facts above stated not to be the fact then the said William Reid is coheir with the said John Reid Jr. - Nancy Ann Rowan, Rebecca Reid, James A. Reid, seized in fee simple a ~~part~~ ^{coparceners} in five equal parts

The said Margaret Reid relict of the said John Reid Sr. is entitled to her dower as widow in said lands.

That the above named parties with the exception of

James A Reid, are of Lawfull age but that they and your petitioner are unable to make a just and equitable partition of said estate, without the aid of your Honorable Court which partition your petitioner deems advisable in order that the rents of and of so much of said real estate as shall be allotted to the said James A Reid may be collected for him, and applied for his Education and Maintenance

Wherefore your petitioner prays that the said Margaret Reid John Reid, Junior Nancy Ann Rowan, and Stephen R. Rowan, her husband, Rebecca Reid and William ^{Reid} be made parties defendant to this petition and that ^{issue} Summons, and publication be made according to Law

That at the hearing of the matter in this behalf your petitioner prays that an examination be directed by your Honorable Court to enquire whether the said William Reid was and still is in life and whether he was and is of sane mind, and upon such inquest being made and reported to make such order as your Honorable Court may deem most advisable. Your petitioner also prays, upon the Court being fully informed as to the right and interest of the parties, that your Honor may order a decree that a Commission for the assignment of Dower, and the partition of the said lands issue from the said Court, directed to Commissioners therein named, to divide and allot the said lands in equal shares and that one equal share be allotted to each of the said heirs, who may be found entitled to the same, that the heirs to whom the same shall be so allotted, shall hold their respective shares in severalty

That the dower of the said Margaret Reid, as widow, be set apart to her, by metes and bounds with such order for the reversion thereof as the Court may deem advisable

That in the event of it being impracticable to make such equal partition and such assignment of dower without injury to the rights and interest of said parties then that the Court make such decree for the payment of money to make up any deficit, or in lieu of such Dower as it may deem proper

That the court will grant such other and further order as may be necessary to effect an equitable partition of said lands and lots, and that all the title deeds relating to said lands be brought into court and upon partition being made, placed in the hands of those to whom they should belong respectively.

And the said Andrew McCallin, your petitioner Guardian of James A. Reid, herewith, exhibits to your honor his Letter of Guardianship issued from the Hardin probate Court, Illinois All of which is respectfully submitted

Andrew McCallin

Sworn to and subscribed before me John J. Knox Clerk of the Hardin County Circuit, on the 16th day of March A. D. 1848 In testimony whereof I have herunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court at Elizabethtown the day and date above written

John J. Knox CLK

Filed the 22nd March 1848

M. McCallins Deputy

D. P. Wilbanks CLK

First Summons

State of Illinois }
Gallatin County } set

The people of the state of Illinois

To the Sheriff of said County - Greeting

We command you to summon Margaret Reid, John Reid, J. Nancy Ann Rowan, Stephen R. Rowan, Rebecca Reed, and William Reid, if to be found in County, to appear before the Circuit of said County, on the first day of the next term thereof to be holden on the 4th Monday of the month of May next, to answer a petition filed in our said Circuit Court against them by Andrew McCallin, Guardian of James Alexander Reid

And thereof make due return to our said Court, as the Law directs

Witness (D. P. Wilbanks), Clerk of our said Court and the judicial seal thereof, this 22nd day of March A. D. 1848 D. P. Wilbanks Clerk

Served this writ by reading the same to Margaret Reid
John Reid Junior, Nancy Ann Rowan Stephen R. Rowan,
and Rebecca Reid on the 16 April 1848 William Reid
Not found in my County

J. C. Hall Sheriff G. C.

Second Summons

State of Illinois } set
Gallatin County }

The people of the state of Illinois

To the Sheriff of said County, - Greeting

We command you to summon Margaret Reid, John Reid
Junior, Nancy Ann Rowan, Stephen R. Rowan, Rebecca
Reid and William Reid, if to be found in your County,
to appear before the Circuit Court of said County, on
the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the
Court house on the fifth Monday in the month of October
Instant to answer to a petition Complaints filed in
our said Circuit Court against them by Andrew McCallen
Guardian of James Alexander Reid

And hereof make due return to our said Court, as
the Law directs

Witness D. P. Wilbanks, Clerk of our
said Court and the judicial seal thereof
at Equality this 6th day of October A.D. 1848
D. P. Wilbanks Clerk



Executed on all the within named persons
by Reading except William Reid this 12th of
October 1848

J. J. Walters Sheriff

3rd Summons

State of Illinois } set
Gallatin County }

The people of the state of Illinois,

To the Sheriff of said County, - Greeting

We command you to summon Margaret Reid, John Reid Jr.
Nancy Ann Rowan, Stephen R. Rowan Rebecca Reid
and William Reid if to be found in your County, to
appear before the Circuit Court of said County, on the
first day of the next Term thereof, to be holden

at the Court House in Shawneetown on the third Monday in the month of June next to answer to a bill of Complaint, filed in our said Circuit Court, on the Chancery Side thereof against them by Andrew McCallen Guardian of James Alexander Reid,

And hereof make due return to our said Court as the Law directs. Witness J. C. Hall Clerk of our said Court and the Judicial Seal thereof at Shawneetown this seventh day of April A D 1849



J. C. Hall, Clerk

Executed by leaving a true copy with all the Defendants except William Reid this 12th day of April A D 1849

J. T. Walters Sheriff J. C.

{over of...}

Andrew McCallen Guardian of James Alexander Reid
v.
Margaret Reid et al. } Pet for Part. & Cover

on this day came the Plaintiff's by their attorney and moved the Court for a Rule against the defendants to plead answer or demurrer by nine o'clock on Tuesday next which Rule was by the Court allowed

{order of Court} 4th Nov 1848

Andrew McCallen Guardian of James Alexander Reid
v.
Margaret Reid et al. } Pet for Partition & Cover

Now on this day came the Plaintiff by Olney his atty and moved the Court to grant an order of publication herein which ~~motion~~ motion is by the Court allowed and order for publication granted - it is further ordered that this cause be continued till next term of this Court

Printed Notice

State of Illinois
Gallatin County ³/₂ set
of the June Term of the Gallatin
Circuit Court 1849

Andrew McCallen Guardian of James Alexander Reid

Margaret Reid, widow, John Reid, Jr. Stephen R. Rowan,
and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife, Rebecca & William
Reid heirs at Law of John Reid, Sr. Deed

Notice, is hereby given to the above named defendants,

that Andrew McCallen, Guardian, of James Alexander
Reid has filed his petition against them in said Circuit
Court, praying a partition of the real estate of which
John Reid, Sr. late of Gallatin County, died seized, that
Summons has been issued herein, returnable to the next
Term of said Court, to be holden at Shawneetown, on the
third Monday of June, 1849, and affidavit made, that
upon due enquiries the said William Reid cannot be
found within this state - that said Cause is now pending,
and that unless said defendants shall appear on the
return day of said summons, and plead, Answer or
demur to the said petition, the same will be taken
for Confessed, and decree entered accordingly

F. C. Hall, Clerk C. C. G. C. Ill.

John Olney Solicitor
April 13 1849 28-45.

Printers Certificate

J. L. S. J. Turney, publisher
of the "Southern Illinois advocate" a weekly newspaper
published in Shawneetown Gallatin County Illinois, do
hereby certify that the attached advertisement was publi-
-shed in said newspaper four consecutive weeks; and that the
date of the first paper containing the same was April
13th 1849, and the last, May 11th 1849

J. L. S. J. Turney

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Order of Court 22nd June 1849

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c

Margaret Reid et al.

{ Pet for Partn. & dower

on this day came the plaintiff's by their attorney and moved the Court for a rule against the defendants to plead Answer or Demur by nine o'clock on Tuesday next which rule was by the Court allowed

Order of Court 9th February 1850

Andrew McCallen Guardian
for James Alexander Reid -

Margaret Reid Widow,
Stephen R Rowan, Nancy Ann
Rowan, Rebecca Reid & John Reid
Heirs at Law of John Reid Decd.

{ Petition for Partition
and assignment of Dower

On this day came the Petitioner by Olney his atty and it appearing to the Court that service has been had herein and the said Defendants being now three times solemnly called came not but made default It is therefore considered by the Court that this will be taken as confessed and upon proofs being heard it is ordered & adjudged by the Court that John T Walters C. T. Nicholson & Daniel P Wilbanks be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners who not being connected with any of the parties, either by consanguinity or affinity and entirely disinterested fairly and impartially after being duly sworn to make partition of the lands and teniments of which the said John Reid died seized to wit N^W/₄ N^W S^W/₄ & W^{1/2} S^E Sec 12 T 8 S. R 9 E. E^{1/2} S^W/₄ W^{1/2} N^E/₄ & N^W gr Sec 20. T 9 S R 10 E. N^W/₄ Frae Sec 7. T 9 S. R 10 E W^{1/2} S^E/₄ Sec 7 T 9 S. R 10 E N^E/₄ Sec 19. T 9 S. R 10 E. S^E/₄ & S^W/₄ W^{1/2} N^W/₄ & E^{1/2} S^W/₄ & W^{1/2} N^E/₄ Sec 18 T 9 S. R 10 E. N^E/₄ & S^E/₄ & N^W/₄ Sec 12 T 9 S. R 9 E. E^{1/2} S^E/₄ Sec 1 T 9 S. R 9 E. E^{1/2} N^E/₄ & S^W/₄ of N^E/₄ Sec 11. T 9 S. R 9 E. & E^{1/2} S^W Sec 12. T 8. R 10. & W^{1/2} N^W Sec 17 T 9 R 10. in Gallatin County Illinois

on this day came the Commissioner appointed at a former term to make partition & assign dower in the real estate of which John Reid died seized presented their report for approval.

Report

State of Illinois } Of the November term ^{of the} Gallatin
Gallatin County } Circuit Court 1850

The undersigned Commissioner appointed at the special January term A.D. 1850 of this Court under a decree rendered in cause, wherein Andrew McCallen Guardian for James Alexander Reid is plaintiff and Margaret Reid widow, Stephen R. Rowan and Nancy Rowan his wife Joseph Bowles and Rebecca Bowles (late Rebecca Reid) his wife, and John Reid, heirs at law of John Reid late of Gallatin County deceased, are defendants, to make partition of certain lands and town lots in said decree mentioned amongst the said heirs at law of said deceased according to their respective interests therein, as also to set apart to said Margaret widow & Relict as aforesaid, her reasonable dower according to law in and to the said premises, respectively report, that after being first duly sworn, to make said partition, fairly and impartially, they proceeded upon said premises & allotted to each of said heirs, their shares therein, by metes & bounds, as follows to wit

Share No 1 John Reids Portion viz

Part of the S.E. qr of Sec 19 and part of the N.W. of sec 20 ~~beginning~~ beginning 36 poles East of the Half Mile Corner or the Saline dividing Secs 19 & 20 thence running to a point 40 poles West of the Corner to Secs 17, 18, 19 & 20 thence west with the section line to the 1/2 mile corner between Secs 18 & 19 thence south to the Corner in Middle of section 19 thence East to the place of beginning the west 1/2 S.E. qr sec 18 Also 23 acres off of the East side of the South West qr of Sec 18 all in Township 9 S. R. 10 East

Also In-lots No 1021. 1022. 1024. 847. in Shawneetown Illinois
 Containing in all Acres & two Town Lots among
 the Heirs at Law of the said John Reid Deceased according
 to their respective interests therein, by Meats and bounds
 if the same can be done Consistently with the interests
 of said Estate, setting apart to the said Margaret Reid
 Widow & Relict of the said John Reid Deed her
 Reasonable Dower according to Law of in and to the said
 premises and it is further ordered that the said Commissioners
 do report their proceedings had under this order to the
 next term of this Court ordered that Cause be
 Continued.

Note This order corrected to correspond with
 the amended Petition as to numbers of Land & Lots
 by order of Court at Sept^r term 1851

Order of Court 27th June 1850

Andrew McCallen Guardian of
 James A Reid
 v
 Margaret et al. } Bill & Petition for
 partition

On this day the complainant obtained leave
 to amend his petition and that this Cause be continued

order of Court 30th Nov^r 1850

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c
 v
 Margaret Reid et al. } Petition for partition
 & assignment of Dower

ordered that this Cause be continued till the
 next term of Court

order of Court 1st Oct 1851

Andrew McCallen Guardian
 v
 Margaret Reid et al. } Petition for Partition
 & Dower

Share No 2 Nancy A Rowan wife of Stephen R Rowan portion of the Land viz

Part N.E. qr of Section 19 and part of the N.W. qr of Section 20 Beginning 36 poles East of the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile corner between Sections 19 & 20 thence running to a point 40 poles West of the Corner to Sections 17, 18, 19, & 20 thence East with Section line to the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile Corner between Secs 19 & 20 thence to the Center of Section 20 thence West to the beginning the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of S.E. qr. of Section 18 the E $\frac{1}{2}$ S.W. qr of Section 20 the W $\frac{1}{2}$ N.E. qr of Section 20 and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ N.W. qr of Section 17 all in Township 9 S. R. 10 East

Share No 3 Aily Reid portion viz

W $\frac{1}{2}$ S.E. qr Sec 12 The N.W. S.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ S.W. Sec 12. in Township 8. S. R. 9 East The S.E. qr of section 12 township 9. S. R. 9 East. N.W. qr section 18 The W $\frac{1}{2}$ S.E. qr section 7 the W $\frac{1}{2}$ N.E. qr section 18 all in Township 9. S. R. 10 E also in Lots in Shawnetown No 1021, 1022 & 1024

Share No 4 Rebecca Bowles portion viz
The whole of the South West qr of Section 18 except 23 acres on the East side allotted to John Reid The N.W. qr of Section 7 township 9. S. R. 10 East The N $\frac{1}{2}$ of section 12 Town 9 S. R. East E $\frac{1}{2}$ N.E. qr & S.W. qr of the S.E. qr Section 11 Township 9. S. R. 9 East and The east $\frac{1}{2}$ S.E. section 1 Township 9. S. R. 9. East also in Lot in Shawnetown No 817

Your Commissioner further report that they then proceeded to assign to said Margaret Widow & Child as aforesaid her dower in said premises as follows to wit Part of the North East quarter of section 19 & part of North West quarter of section 20 beginning 36 poles East of the half mile corner on the section line dividing Sections 19 & 20. thence to a point 40 poles west of corner to sec 17, 18, 19 & 20 thence W with with section line to the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile corner ~~in middle of sec 18~~ thence between Sections 18 & 19 thence south to the corner in middle of sec 19 thence East to the place of beginning also the west $\frac{1}{2}$ of South East quarter of sec 18 also 23 acres off of the East side of the South West quarter of section 18 all of said

Lands being in Township 9 S. of Range 10 East as before set fourth in Share No 1 allotted to said John Reid.

Your Commissioners made said assignment in the manner set fourth for the reason widow desired the same to be set fourth for the reason out to her in home stead & such ~~portion~~ portion of Land thereto adjoining as he might lawfully be entitled to and to Equalize Share No. 1 which was situated upon it the old homestead and out buildings together with the Brick house barn, stable &c which was built thereon by Stephen R. Rowan. One of the tenants in Common of said Premises with Shares No 2, 3, & 4. Your com^{rs} are of opinion that said assignment of dower as aforesaid is under all the circumstances the most Equal which could be made, for the further reason that the said widow desired the sd partition and assignment so to be made that her son John might still continue to live with her. she reading his care and attention by reason of being blind and they therefore charged Share No 1 exclusively and solely with said widows dower the said John Reid & Margaret consenting thereto. all of which is submitted & asked to be allowed & entered of record given under our hands and seals

D. P. Wilbanks Seal
John T. Walters Seal
E. J. Nicholson Seal

Filed 2nd June 1851 J. E. Hall, clerk

order of court 10th Oct 1851

Andrew McCallum Guardian &c
v
Margaret Reid et. al. { Petition for Partition
& assignment of dower

On this day came the defendants Joseph Bowles & Rebecca Bowles and filed their exceptions to the report herein and also came the complainant and moved the Court that the Clerk of this Court be ordered to amend the original order of partition as to conform in description of land & lots as described in the amendment petition which petition was amended by order of ^{the} Court at the June term of this Court 1850 which motion was by the Court sustained and Clerk ordered to amend said order of partition

Exceptions to Report

September Term of the Gallatin
Circuit Court A.D. 1851

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c

v
The Heirs of John Reid Deceased

To the Hon. J. Scott

Marshall Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit Court in
Chancery sitting

You Petitioner Joseph Bowles and
Rebecca Bowles his wife (late Rebecca Reid) would
respectfully represent, that they have a just and
Lawfull Claim against the Estate of Alexander Reid deceased
Administrator of James Reid decd for a Large Sum of
Money, for which they are now ^{prosecuting} a suit in
this Honorable Court to which your Honor is referred that
the estate of said Alexander Reid deceased will be
unsufficient to pay and satisfy said demands, as they
are informed and believe that said John Reid deceased
is the security for said Alexander Reid on his
Administration Bonds, and your Petitioners expect to
have to resort to the Real estate of said John Reid
deceased for payment and satisfaction of a large port-
-ion of said demand.

Your Petitioner also being intitled
to one fourth part of the real estate of said John
Reid deceased have been at some trouble in carefully
examining into the proceedings herein, and from
the paper herein filed they find that in the
Petition for Partition, a part of the real estate prayed
to be divided in lots No 847, 1021, 1022, 1024, 1027, and
1182 Making in all six town lots in Shawneetown

That on the Copy of the order made by this
Honorable Court at the January Term thereof 1850 for
partition, and which your petition suppose should
have been strictly persued by said Commissioners
there is to be found only lots No 1027 and 1182, leaving
out entirely the other four lots claimed in said
petition for partition.

That from the report of the commissioners herein filed, it appears that they partitioned and set off to the heirs lots No 847, 1021, 1022, and 1024 neither of which are to be found on the copy of the order of this Honorable Court herein filed as aforesaid.

And the petition further represents that it appears from the said papers herein that lots No 843 and 844 are wholly omitted as a part of the estate of the said John Reid deceased, although your petitioner say that they are advised and believe that said last-mentioned lots were bought from the united states and patented by the said John Reid, and that it does not appear from any evidence in the recorder's office in and for this county or else when known to your petitioner that said lots were ever conveyed away by said John Reid deceased, although your petition alledge that they have made search to find such conveyance if any such exist and they further alledge that a valuable brick house is situated upon one or both of said lots.

Your petitioner would therefore for the many inconsistencies, contradictions and manifest inaccuracies appearing of Record herein, and otherwise thereby rendering your petition's rights as one of the heirs of said estate uncertain and hazardous except to the report of said Commissioner herein filed, and pray that the same may not be received by this Court and spread on the Records herein.

And that all further proceedings here in be suspended untill said suit now pending in this Honorable Court, for the recovery of petition's claim against the estate of said Alexander Reid deceased is determined and satisfied; and thereby a number of suits and heavy costs expensed will be avoided; and in the mean time that the said complainants in this cause proceed to have the manifest errors and inaccuracies herein corrected and amended if it is possible for him to do so. so that the order of partition when hereafter made may embrace all the real estate and no more.

of the said John Reids deceased after all the debts
and liabilities of said estate are fully paid and satis-
-fied thereby securing the right and interests of each
of the heirs, and rendering their estate herein secure
from future and endless litigation, and that all such
other and further relief be granted your Petition
as to equity and good conscience may appear,
And your petitioners will ever pray &c.

To
Personally appeared Joseph Bowles
and made oath that the matters
and things herein stated from
his own knowledge are true,
and that so far as the stated from
the information of theirs he believes
them to be true

Joseph Bowles and
Rebecca Bowles

Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 9th day Oct 1851
J. E. Hall Clerk

order of Court 20th Oct 1851

Andrew McCallum Guardian
for James A Reid

Margaret Reids Widow,
Stephen R. Rowan Nancy
Anne Rowan Joseph Bowles
Rebecca Bowles & John Reid Jr.

Bill for Partition
& assignment of Dower

On this day again came
the Commissioners & present their report which together
with the exceptions filed herein by the defendants
Joseph Bowles & Rebecca Bowles, as also the Records
of this Cause being now before the Court, and duly
considered it is ordered that said report be disallowed.

Order of Court 5th Augt 1852

McAndrew McCallen Guardian &c } Bill for Partition
v } Reassignment of Dower
Margaret Reids et al. --- }

on this day came the complainant by Olney his solicitor and on his motion it is ordered that the defendant heretofore rendered upon the petition filed herein be cancelled and voids and that this cause be reopened and the death of James Alexander Reids being suggested it is ordered that his heirs at law to wit: Mary Ann McCallen his mother, Josephine McCallen, Andrew J. McCallen and Mary McCallen his brother and sisters be made parties to this suit and leave is given to the complainants to amend their petition herein. And that this cause be continued.

Order of Court 4th January 1853

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c } Bill for Partition
v }
Margaret Reids et al. --- }

ordered that this cause be continued until the next term of Court

Order of Court 6th Augt 1853

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c } Bill for Partition
v }
Heirs at Law of John Reids --- }

Ordered that this cause be continued until the next term of Court

Order of Court 20 Oct 1853

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c } Bill for Partition
v }
Heirs at Law of John Reid --- }

on this day came the complainant and suggest the death of James Alex

affidavit of death of John Reid
first bond appraisement of his
estate

Reids one of the parties to this Cause & on his
motion leave is given to Complainants to amend
the bill herein

Order of Court 21st October 1853

Andrew McCallen guardian &c }
v } Pet. for Part.
The widow and Heirs at Law }
of John Reid Dec'd }

on this day came the
The Complainant and filed his amended Bill and
on his motion It is ordered and decreed that the
order and decree of partition made at the Decr.
Term 1850 be amended set aside and vacated and
it is further ordered that the defendants to this
Cause be to answer by Wednesday morning next

Amended petition

State of Illinois } Of the October term of the Gallatin Circuit
Gallatin County } Court AD 1853 -

A Petition for Partition of the Lands
of which John Reid Sr. died seized

The amended petition of Andrew McCallen et al. filed
by leave of the Court first herein had and obtained
Humbly Complainings unto your Hon

D. S. Marshall presiding Judge of the Circuit Court in &
for the said County of Gallatin and State aforesaid your Petitions
Andrew McCallen Mary Ann McCallen and Josephine Andrew
and Mary McCallen minors who sue by their father and
next friend Andrew McCallen would respectfully represent
and show That John Reid Senior deceased last a reside
- ent of said County and State in his life time and
at the time of his death, was seized and Lawfully possessed
in fee simple, by purchase from the Government of the
United States of the following tracts of Land and town
Lots, to wit The S. W. qr. S. W. qr and the N 1/2 S. E. 7 E 1/2
S. W. qr of Sec No 10 in Township No 6, S. R. & E also the E 1/2 of the
S. W. qr and the N 1/2 of the S. E. qr and the S. W. qr of sec 20, T. 2, S. R. 10, E.

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also the N. W. qr of Fractional Section 7 in T9, S. R. 10 E.
and the West 1/2 S. E. qr Sec 7 T9 S R 10 E. also the N E qr of
Sec 19 T9 S R 10 E also S E. qr and the S W. qr and the W 1/2
of the N W qr - and the E 1/2 of the N W qr and the W 1/2 of the
N. E. qr of Sec 18 T9 S R 10 E. also the S E qr and S E. qr - and
the N. W. qr of Sec 12 T9 R. 9 E. also the E 1/2 of the S E qr of section
1 T9 S R 9 E also the E 1/2 of the N E qr and the S W qr of the
N E qr of Sec 11 T9 S R 9 E also the E 1/2 S W Sec 12 T8 R 9 also the
W 1/2 N W Sec 17 T9 R 10 - and also the following described Town
Lots lying and being and situate in the said County and State,
and known and described on the town plat of the town of
Shawneetown, as in ~~Lot~~ ^{Lots} Numbers 1021, 1022, 1024 and 847 - All of
which above described tracts of Land are lying being and
situate in the County of Gallatin and State of Illinois aforesaid
all of which will more fully and at large appear by -
Reference to the title papers of said ~~James~~ John Reid deced.
therewith Exhibited and prayed to be taken as parts of this petition
marked A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. I. J. K. And being so seized
by the said John Reid Sr. on or about the 8th day of February
1847 departed this life intestate, leaving him surviving his
Wife Margaret Reid - And the following Children and
Decendants of Children to wit his son John Reid Jr. his
daughter Nancy Ann, intermarried with Stephen H. Kowan
His grand-daughter Rebecca, who is the child and sole heir
of James Reid deceased, son of the said John Reid Sr
Deced. and his grand son James A now deceased, son of
Alexander Reid deceased who was the son of said John Reid
Sr deceased - your petitioner would further state that the
said John Reid Sr deceased had another son by the
name of William Reid, but who as your petitioner is
informed & believes and so charges, departed from this
State more than seven years before the death of the
said John Reid Sr and that from the time of his depart-
-ure, hitherto he has not been heard of by any member
of his family, or any one else to the knowledge of
your petitioner. Wherefore your petitioners charges the
said William to have been dead before the death of the
said John Reid Sr and that he left no widow, child or
Children or decendants of a Child ~~him~~ surviving.
Your Petitioner would further show, that since the
filing of the original bill herein, the said Rebecca has

intermarried with one Joseph Bowles - and also the
Said James A Reid and Heir of said Alexander Reid
deceased. Since the filing the said original Bill herein
has departed this life leaving no widow, or issue here
surviving but leaving ~~him~~ surviving Brothers & Sisters of
the half blood as follows Josephine, Andrew and
Mary McCallen ^{and his mother Nancy Ann McCallen} and your petitioners in right - as husbands
of the said Mary Ann McCallen his heirs at Law. your
petitioners further represent that the said Nancy Ann Rowan
& Stephen R Rowan, in right of the said Nancy Ann are
entitled to One Equal undivided fourth part the said
John Reid Jr to one Equal undivided fourth part. the said
Said Rebecca Bowles and the said Joseph Bowles in right
of the said Rebecca to one Equal undivided fourth part.
and the said Mary Ann McCallen Josephine Andrew & Mary
McCallen & your petitioners in right of his wife are entitled
to the remaining Equal undivided fourth part of said
lands above described, the said Mary Ann McCallen
taking two undivided Equal parts of the one undivided
fourth part of said land, which ~~descended~~ ^{descended} to the said
James A Reid deceased son of the said Alexander Reid
deceased, and his said half Brothers and Sisters, taking
the remaining two undivided fourth parts, of the said
undivided fourth part which descended to their said half
brother James A Reid deceased in three Equal undivided
parts between them - your petitioners would further show
that the said Margaret Reid widow of the said John Reid
Sr deceased is entitled to dower in the said lands above
described. that the said Josephine Andrew and Mary
McCallen are minors under ^{the} age of 21 years, for ~~whom~~
whom your petitioners sue as their next friends. your
petitioners would further show, that the said parties
interested in said lands are unable to make a just
and equitable partition of said estate between them
without the aid of this honorable Court which
partition your petitioners deems advisable in order
that the rents of said real estate may be more readily
collected by those entitled thereto. Wherefore your
petitioners prays, that the ^{said} Margaret Reid widow
John Reid Jr Nancy Ann Rowan & Stephen R Rowan

Her Husbands, Rebecca Bowles & Joseph Bowles
 Her Husbands may be made defendants herein and
 answer this petition without oath, their oaths being
 expressly waived And upon a final hearing of this
 Cause and the matters and things herein set forth
 and alleged being sufficiently proved or taken for confessed
 Your Honour may be pleased by decree of this Honourable
 Court, to order adjudge and decree that a Commission
 for the assignment of the dower and the partition of
 the saids land issue from the said Court directed
 to Commissioners therein named, authorising and
 empowering them to assign & set off the dower of the
 said Margaret in said lands and make partition of
 said lands above described, among those entitled
 there to as your Honor may ascertain adjudge and
 decree, according to quality, quantity and value, thereof,
 That the interests of the said persons in said lands
 above described, may respectively be ascertained and
 declared by the order and decree of the Court herein,
 That the dower of the said Margaret Reid as widow,
 as aforesaid, be set apart to her, by metes and bounds,
 with such order for the reversion thereof as the
 Court may decree advisable, That in the event of it
 being impracticable to make such equal partition and
 such assignment of dower without manifest injury
 to the rights and interests of said parties, then that
 the Court make such decree for the payment of
 money to make up any deficit, or in lieu of such
 dower as it may deem proper or that said lands
 may be sold & the proceeds of such lands upon sale
 thereof, may be divided between the said parties
 according to their respective rights and interests therein
 That the Court may grant such other and further
 order as may be necessary to effect an equal partition
 of said lands and town lots, and that the title papers
 above exhibited upon partition being made, may be
 placed in the hands of those to whom they should
 belong respectively and for such other and further
 relief as to your Honor may seem meet in the premises
 & the will ever pray as in duty bound &c.

State of Illinois ss.
Gallatin County ss. This affiant Andrew McCallin
after being first duly sworn deposes & says that
the matters & things as set forth in the foregoing
petition so far as stated from his own knowledge
are true & so far as stated from information of others
he believes to be true, to the best of his knowledge and
and belief

Subscribed and sworn
to before this 28th day
October 1853
J. E. Hall clk

Andrew McCallin

Filed 26th Oct 1853
J. E. Hall clk

Demurrer

October Term of the Gallatin Circuit
Court 1853

Andrew McCallin Guardian of
Margaret Reid et al.

Rebecca Bowles formerly Rebecca Reid, one of
the Defendants to this petition saving and reserving
to her self all benefits arising from the many
mistatements and errors in the petition contained
as amended and not admitting the same & doth
Demur thereto, and for Cause of demur says
1st The Petition does not set forth and make
Exhibits of the right and titles of the parties
in interest

2nd Joseph Bowles has since the commencement
of this suit intermarried with the Deft., and
therefore has an interest in the premises in question
and is not made a party to the petition

3rd The petition does not alledge that the parties Compt
and Defts have the right to enter into the possession
of the Lands in question, and until they have such right
partition cannot be decreed and because the Petition otherwise
insufficient. Rebecca Bowles formerly Rebecca Reid & Deft to this petition

Filed 26th
October 1853
J. E. Hall clk
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Order of Court 26th October 1853

Andrew McCallen Guardian
of the Heirs at Law of
Alix Reid deceased

Bill for Partition

Margaret Reid, Widow John Reid Jr
Stephen B. Rowan et. al. heirs at
Law of John Reid, Deceased,

On this day came one
of the defendants, Rebecca Bowles, ~~and~~ by her
Solicitors, and demurs to the amended Bill herein
and the questions of law arising thereon being argued,
the demurrer is sustained, and leave given to
Complainants to amend their Bill whereupon came
the Complainants and file their amended Bill herein

Order of Court 27th October 1853

Andrew McCallen Guardian -
or the Heirs at Law of Alexander
Reid, Deceased

Bill for partition

Margaret, Reids widow, John Reid, Jr.
Stephen B. Rowan et. al. heirs at
Law of John Reid Deceased

On this day came
the complainant, by his Solicitors, and suggests to
the Court the intermarriage of Rebecca Reid with
Joseph Bowles, the said Rebecca being heir at Law of
James Reid, Deceased, and on this motion of said
Complainant the said Joseph Bowles is made a
Party Defendant to this Cause, and on the further
motion of the said Complainants, the Defendant
to this Bill are ruled to answer by Monday Morning
next

Answer &c.

of the October Special Term
of the Gallatin Circuit Court 1853

This respondent serving & reserving the benefits of all Exceptions to the Errors and mistatements in the said Petition contained, for answer thereto or as much thereof as is necessary to be answered unto for answer says that Whether John Reid ~~senior~~ died seized of the lands & Lots in the petition described or not ^{she} neither admits nor denies but calls for ^{the} proofs. She denies that the complainants have a right as tenants in Common with Respondant to an undivided one fourth of the said lands or to any portion thereof whatever.

She denies that Stephen Rowan in virtue of his Marriage with Nancy Ann Rowan formerly Nancy Ann Reid is entitled to an undivided one fourth of the Lands and Lots described or any other portion and as to whether the said Margaret Reid is entitled to dower in the premises or not she does not know nor admit, and as to the said William Reid leaving the state and that he has not been heard of since by the family and is dead as charged in the petition she positively denies it requires full proof of this fact. This respondent further answering submit that if this Honorable Court shall be satisfied that the said John Reid senior died seized of the lands and Lots described in the said bill and that the said parties are entitled to the respective shares therein alledged. yet the Court ought not to decree a partition of the same, because this respondent charges that the said John Reid sen died seized of other real Estate to the value of \$5000. to wit Lots No 843 and 844 in the town of Shawneetown Gallatin County Illinois with the appertanances. which are wholly omitted in the s^d petition. This respondents further answering charges that she has a just demand, now subsisting in full force to a large amount to wit \$10,000 against Alexander Reid now deceased who was the administrator of James Reid deceased, that she is now prosecuting a suit for the same, that the Estate of the s^d Alexander Reid is insufficient to pay the same. That the said John Reid senior was the security of the said Alexander on his bonds as administrator of the said James Reid, and this respondent charges that she will be compelled to resort to the real Estate of the said John to pay and satisfy her demand

She charges further that Joseph Bowles with Respondent at the July Term of the said Court 1853 filed their amended bill against Rowan as administrator of the said John Reid Sr to account for his actings and doings as such an administrator. That the said Rowan, Margaret Reid & Nancy Ann Rowan were made Defts to said bill. That said Estate of the said John Reid has never been settled by the said Rowan and there are out standing debts against said estate which are due and in full force, and unsatisfied to the amount of between five and ten thousand dollars and of which all the parties to this petition have had due notice and this Respondent charges that the Land should not be sold or devised until the said Estate is finally settled.

This Respondent further ~~charges~~ charges that the said Defendants to their said bill for an account have filed their Cross bill and among other things have prayed for a partition of the same Lands in the said petition mentioned. ^{reference} being thereto had will more fully appear.

This Respondent further charges that the title to a portion of the real Estate of which the said John Reid died seized to wit Lots aforesaid 843 & 844 is now in litigation in this Court between Stephen Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife, and the heirs of said John Reid and that the cause is undetermined that the said Lots and dwelling and appurtenances thereon is worth something like \$5000. and this Respondent submit that an equitable division cannot be made of the lands of the said John until said suit is determined.

And this Respondent having answered &c

Filed 31st October 1853

J Hall Clerk

Rebecca Bowles—

Order of Court 1st Nov 1853

Andrew McCallen Guardian &c

Margaret Reid. Widow. John

Reid & Stephen Rowan et al.

Heirs at Law of John Reid, Decd.

Bill for partition

On this day Came the Complainant. by his Solicitors and files his

Exceptions to the Answer of Rebecca Bowles, defendant herein. Which exceptions are by the Court sustained, with leave to the said defendants to amend.

Exceptions to Answer

Andrew McCallum & others & on Petition for Partition
Heirs &c of John Reid dec'd. } in Gallatin Cir Court
Oct Special Term 1853

The said Compts Except to the Answer of Rebecca Bowles herein for the following reasons

- 1st Because she neither admits nor denies that John Reid died seized of the Lands & Lots in said petition mentioned. & does not state whether she knows the fact or not.
- 2nd Because the Answer denies that Stephen P. Rowan by virtue of his marriage with Nancy Ann Reid, is entitled one fourth of John Reid's Estate - when ^{the} said petition claims no such thing, but claims that Nancy Ann Rowan and Stephen P. Rowan her husband, in right of his wife are entitled to $\frac{1}{4}$.
- 3rd Because it asks for partition not to be made for the reason that said Respondent - claims that John Reid died seized of other Lot than those embraced in said petition without saying whether they have since been sold to pay Debts

and whether they were or not does not matter, for a part may be divided if Required -

4th The same answer shows that there is now a suit pending in this court in which the title of the Lots so omitted to wit 843 & 844 is in litigation and in this proceeding the Court cannot decide upon a litigated title. & the tenants are not bound to wait the result of a protracted litigation about a part of the Realty, before they can get the remainder divided.

5th Because the Answer asks the Court to stay this proceeding because sd def^t has an unliquidated claim against the estate of Alix Reid ad^r as adm^r of Jas Reid. & that the estate of said Alix is not sufficient to pay such claim. & that John Reid having been security on said Alix s^d adm^r bond. she will have to resort to the realty of John Reid. which is in the nature of a plea in abatement, & no plea in abatement is allowed in this proceeding

6th Said Answer does not show that there not that ~~the~~ a sufficiency of personality of the estate of sd John Reid to pay any claim she may ever have upon it-

7th Because the answer sets up that there is a cross bill of sd Rowan in the suit of Bowles & wife v^s Rowan adm^r John Reid, asking also for a partition of these same lands, & therefore asks these proceedings to be stayed which is only matter in abatement.

8th Because the answer asks this suit to be stayed for the reason that the estate of sd John Reid owes debt, without saying whether there is not personality enough to pay them.

9th Because it sets up that Rowan as adm^r of John Reid has not settled sd estate, as a reason why this proceeding should be stayed.

Filed 1st November 1853 Wingate & Freeman For
J. Hall clk Compts —

Amended Answer

The amended answer of Rebecca Bowles to App^r McCallen ^{Mary McCallen and Josephine App^r & am^r} in the amended bill of ^{Mary Ann McCallen} Mary Ann McCallen in -fants, by their next friend Andrew McCallen This defendant not confessing &c but protesting &c and requiring full proof of each and every allegation in the petition herein to so much thereof as she is advised it is material for her to answer unto demise that the real estate of

Said John Reid dec'd is correctly set forth in said petition and Charges also that the said John died seized of In Lots in Shawneetown No 843 & 844 which she requires also to be inserted in said petition for partition Respondent also denies the right of said petition to a partition of the real estate of John Reid dec'd in this present proceeding because the defendants are summoned to answer Andrew McCallen as Guardian of Alex Reid Jr dec'd and not as next friend of Josephine Andrew and Mary McCallen and also that by the amended petition therein the said Andrew McCallen prays a partition as next friend of his wife Mary Ann & Children when she avers that the said Mary Ann wife of the said Andrew McCallen is and was not a minor at the time of filing the said petition and finally Respondent denies the right of Comt to a partition as next friend of his children and now having answered &c prays to be dismissed &c

Filed D. Novr 1853
J. E. Hall Clk.

Rebecca Bowles by
Marshall Chas. Sol. I.

Exceptions to Amended Answer

Andrew McCallen & others -

Heirs &c of John Reid dec'd

The said petitioners
except to the amended Answer of Rebecca Bowles
herein for the following reasons -
1st because sd Respondent objects to this proceeding for
for the reason that the defendants are summoned
to Answer Andrew McCallen as Guardian of
Alex Reid, and not as next friend of Josephine,
Andrew & Mary McCallen - which does not matter
as the record shows that said Alex has died & said
Josephine, Andrew & Mary and Mary Ann McCallen
are his heirs, and as such have a right to join
in this as Co Complainants.

- 2nd Because it is objected in said amended answer that said McCallen prays partition as the next friend of his wife, when she was not a minor
- 3rd Because answer denies the right of said McCallen to pray partition as next friend of his children.
- 4th Because the answer says the Land of John Reid are not correctly set fourth in said petition without showing wherein they are incorrectly set forth

Wingate & Freeman
for Compt^s

Filed 2^d November 1853.
J. E. Hall Clk.

Decree

Andrew McCallen Guardian of
James Alexander Reid
vs
Margaret Reid, widow, John Reid,
Nancy Ann Rowan, Stephen R.
Rowan, Rebecca Bowles and
Joseph Bowles heirs at Law
of John Reid Deed. } Petition for Partition

On this day comes the petitioner, Andrew McCallen, as the husband and next friend of Mary Ann McCallen and as the father and next friend of Josephine McCallen Andrew McCallen Jr. and Mary McCallen, minors who together with said said Mary Ann McCallen, their mother, are sole heirs at Law of said James Alexander Reid, deceased, by his solicitors, and files his exceptions to the amended bill Answer of the said Rebecca Bowles, which exceptions are by the Court sustained, and it further ordered by the Court, that the Answer of the said Rebecca be and the same is hereby excluded, and that the Complainant's amended petition herein be taken for confessed by the said Rebecca Bowles and on motion of Complainant the Adult defendants Stephen R. Rowan Nancy Ann Rowan, Joseph Bowles, Rebecca Bowles, John Reid & Margaret Reid, are now three times solemnly

Called and Came Not. but makes default, it is therefore Considered by the Court, that the Complainant amended petition herein. be taken for Confessed and this Cause coming on now for hearing upon the petitions, exhibits, and the affidavit of said Complainant, and the records of this Cause and the Court being now sufficiently advised in the premises, doth find, order, adjudge and decree—

First, That the following real estate described in the Complainant's petition herein, which belonged in fee to the said John Reid, deceased, in his life time and which descended to and vested in his heirs at Law as set forth in the said Complainant's petition, to wit

The N.W. ^{S 1/4} of Section 12 Town 8 Range 9 East

E 1/2, S W 1/4	"	12	"	8	"	9	"
W 1/2, S E 1/4	"	12	"	8	"	9	"
E 1/2, S E 1/4	"	1	"	9	"	9	"
E 1/2, N E 1/4	"	11	"	9	"	9	"
S W 1/4, S E 1/4	"	11	"	9	"	9	"
S E 1/4, " "	"	12	"	9	"	9	"
N W 1/4, " "	"	12	"	9	"	9	"
S E 1/4, " "	"	12	"	9	"	9	"
N W 1/4 Fractional	"	7	"	9	"	10	"
W 1/2, S E 1/4	"	7	"	9	"	10	"
W 1/2, N W 1/4	"	17	"	9	"	10	"
W 1/2, N E 1/4	"	18	"	9	"	10	"
E 1/2, N W 1/4	"	18	"	9	"	10	"
W 1/2, N W 1/4	"	18	"	9	"	10	"
S W 1/4	"	18	"	9	"	10	"
S E 1/4	"	18	"	9	"	10	"
N E 1/4	"	17	"	9	"	10	"
W 1/2 N E 1/4	"	20	"	9	"	10	"
N W 1/4	"	20	"	9	"	10	"
E 1/2, S W 1/4	"	20	"	9	"	10	"

Also the following In Lots in the Town of Shawneetown, to wit No 1021 No 1022 No 1024 and No 847 all lying and being in the County of Gallatin and State of Illinois, be divided partitioned & Set off by Metes and Bound agreeably to gality

and quality (Observing) strictly as nearly as possible the legal subdivisions of said estate) among the respective heirs and according to their respective interests therein, as hereinafter set forth, if the same can be done consistently with the interests of said estate, and without manifest injury to the value thereof, reserving to and setting apart to Margaret Reid, widow and executrix, of the said John Reid, deceased, her reasonable dower in the said real estate, according to the statute in such case made and provided;

Second, that the Commissioners hereinafter appointed to execute this decree be first duly sworn as required as laws by the statute, that they proceed to go upon survey and value said premises, and that they set off and assign to the said Margaret Reid, widow as aforesaid, one thirds part of said premises, including the homesteads, for and during her life time;

Third That they divide, set off and allot to Stephen Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan, in the right of the said Nancy as daughter and one of heirs at Law of the said John Reid deceased, one fourth part of the said premises; to John Reid, Jr. as son and one of the heirs at Law of said John Reid, deceased, one fourth part of the said premises; to Joseph Bowles and Rebecca Bowles, in the right of the said Rebecca as sole heir and daughter of James Reid, deceased; who was the son and one of the heirs at Law of the said John Reid, deceased, one fourth part of the said premises; to Mary Ann McCallen, formerly widow of Alexander Reid decd and Mother and one of the heirs of James Alexander Reid decd. who was the son and sole heir of the said Alexander Reid, deceased, who was the son and one of the heirs of said John Reid, deceased and to Andrew McCallen Jr — Josephine McCallen and Mary McCallen three of the heirs and Brother and sisters of the half bloods of the said James Alexander Reid, decd. sole heir &c as aforesaid one fourth part of the said premises;

Fourth, That the said commissioners subdivide and allot and set off the last recited fourth part ^{premises} of said as follows to wit —

To Andrew McCallen and Mary Ann McCallen, his wife, in the right of the said Mary Ann, two fourths of said fourth part; to Andrew McCallen, Jr. one third of two fourths of said fourth part; to Josephine McCallen one third of two fourths of said fourth part; & to Mary McCallen one third of two fourths of said fourth part.

Fifth, That Joseph B. Barger, James C. Sloo and Davis & Hamilton, be and they are hereby appointed, Commissioners to execute this decree, and it is further ordered that they report their proceedings herein to this Court. Whereupon came the defendant, Joseph Bowles, and prays an appeal to the Supreme Court, which is granted, upon his entering into and filing bond within twenty days as required by law, with William Coop and William Edwards as securities.

Appeal Bond

Know all men by these presents that we Joseph Bowles principal and William Edwards & William Coop security are held and firmly bound unto Andrew McCallen Mary Ann McCallen, Josephine, Andrew and Mary McCallen in the penal sum of two hundred Dollars, for true payment whereof we bind ourselves our heirs &c jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this third day of November (A.D.) 1853

The consideration of the above bond is such, that whereas in a suit pending in the Circuit Court of Gallatin County Illinois, between Andrew McCallen, Mary Ann McCallen; Josephine, Andrew and Mary McCallen as plaintiffs and Stephen R. Rowan, Margaret Reid Nancy Ann Reid Rowan John Reid Rebecca Bowles and Joseph Bowles as defendants, — being a proceeding for the partition of the real estate whereof John Reid Sen. died seized, the said Court at the special term thereof held in October 1853 made and entered a Decree requiring and appointing commissioners to execute the said partition to be made in said suit, according to the prayer of said plaintiffs —

From which decree an appeal has been allowed to the
Said Joseph Bowles one of the defendants aforesaid,
to the Supreme Court, — upon his executing an appeal
bond, with said William Edwards and William Coop-
as security, within 20 days conditioned according to Law. —
Now if the said Joseph Bowles shall duly prosecute
said appeal and in case the decree aforesaid is affirmed
shall pay all Cost, interest and damages, which has been or
may be adjudged against him said cause then this bond to
be void, otherwise Remain in full force and effect.

Approved by me this
4th day of November 1853
J. C. Hall Clk

Joseph Bowles Seal
W^m Edwards Seal
William Coop Seal

{ Note the following Affidavit of death of
{ ~~the~~ James Alexander Reed and Co's
{ Bond were omitted by the Copyist at
{ the proper place in this record and
{ are herewith truly copied.
J. C. Hall Clk

Affidavit,

Andrew McCallen Guardian of the Person of
James Alexander Reed, vs }
His Mother of John Reed }
Surv. and — }
In Petition for Partition

Andrew McCallen by leave of
the Court first had and obtained annexed
his said original petition herein and
says that since the filing the same
his said ward James Alexander
Reed, has died an infant and intestate
and that said James Alexander left
him surviving his mother, Mary Ann
McCallen, and his brother & sisters of the
half blood, Sophim, Andrew, & Mary
McCallen, Children of the said Mary Ann

McCullen and this petitioner Andrew
McCullen your petitioner states
that said James Alexander Reed left no
further surviving nor any other brothers
and sisters except those above named
He states that the said mother brother &
sisters of the said James Alexr. are the
sole heirs at law of him the said
James Alexander - and now your
petitioner asks that the said Mary Ann
McCullen and her said three children
Joseph, Andrew, & Mary McCullen
(who are infants) be allowed by their
next friend & natural Guardian their
petitioner, to join herein as Co-Comps
-plainants with your petitioner, and
they pray as in said original peti-
tion &c

Andrew McCullen

subscribed & sworn
to before me this 21st
day of October 1853.

J. H. Hall Clerk,

Filed 21 Oct 1853.

J. H. Hall Clerk,

Cert Bond,

Andrew McCullen & others } in the Circuit
vs } Court Oct 1853.
Margaret Reed Widow &
Heirs of John Reed decd,

I hereby enter myself security for cost
in this cause and acknowledge myself
- if found to pay or cause to be paid
all cost which may accrue in
this action either to the opposite party
or to any of the officers of this Court
in pursuance of the laws of this
state dated this 16th Oct 1853.

Andrew McCallum

Filed 21 Oct 1853

J. H. Hall Clerk

State of Illinois }
Gallatin County }

I John H. Hall Clerk of the
Circuit Court of said County do
certify that the foregoing ^{thirty four}
pages contain a full true and
perfect record of the before
stated cause and that the same
is truly copied from the original
record & files of my office

In testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the seal of
said Cir Court at
Shavertown this 25th
day of August 1854.

J. H. Hall Clerk

clothes & Shirts for on 1st Decem \$19.80
Commissions who made parties 29.00
Clerk Cir Court for on 2^d Decem 12.00
Oth fee for Record for S. Court 13.00

State of Illinois S.S.

In Supreme Court

First Grand Division

November 1854.

Joseph Barlow Appellant
against

Andrew McCallum Guardian

for James A. Price

Mary Ann McCallum,

Josephine McCallum,

Andrew J. McCallum &

Mary McCallum Appellees

and the Price Joseph Barlow & his Attorney
comes and says, that in the proceedings
of the cause aforesaid, and in making

Appeal from
order of partition
of Gallatin
in circuit court.

the order for partition, Manifest Errors have intervened to his prejudice, and he has been set down the following causes or grounds of Error. To wit.

First; The Court Erred in making the order for partition, because the original petition was not filed by any one having an interest in the estate proposed to be divided.

Second; The Court Erred in making the order for partition, because it appears that Andrew McCallum is interested in the estate as Tenant by the Courtesy and is not made a party to the suit,

Third; The Court Erred in making the order for partition, without deciding the Question of fact as to the death of William Price, or making any order in respect to his rights, -

Fourth; The Court Erred in making the order for partition, upon the ^{Allegations} ~~particulars~~ in the petition and amended petition, without evidence to sustain their truth, &

Wherefore the said Parties pray that the order aforesaid, may be Reversed, set aside, and for nothing done.

Joseph Bowles

by ~~W. W. Hoffman~~
Att'y.

7. The court erred in making any
order as against the ^{Applicant} ~~Respondent~~
Joseph Bowles, because he had
not been served with process
nor notified of the proceedings of
the Court.

Order in Error

A. L. Freeman

Att'y for ~~defendant~~ Appellee

Jos Bowles
in 2 Record
3 fine Gallatin

A. McAllan de

Appeal fine
Gallatin

Filed 14: Nov, 1854

L. S. Preston clk

By A. Johnston J.C.

Prepaid \$5.00

Rowles & ut

in

Rowen & al.

Per Curiam

This was a proceeding at law for partition, in which a judgment of partition was rendered & commissioners appointed to make partition according to the judgment. The commissioners made the partition which they reported to the court which was set aside by the court. ~~for~~ upon the writ of Error was prosecuted, and the error assigned is the order setting aside the report of the Commissioners, and the question is whether that was a final judgment to reverse which a writ of Error may be brought. We think it is not. Something more still remained to be done to complete the purposes for which the proceeding was instituted and which it was the duty of that court to do. It was for that court either to order those Commissioners to make another partition and report as to appoint other Commissioners until a report was obtained which the court could approve. ~~or such an order when~~ an order approving the report is made then & not till then is the ~~act~~ proceeding of ~~for~~ for partition determined. It may be that the judgment in partition which ~~first~~ determined the rights of the parties ~~might~~ was such a final order as might have been appealed from as were the cases in Kentucky referred

to, but this writ is not brought to reverse
that order nor is it complained of
the only complaint is of subsequent
proceedings -

It is said that the only reason why the
report of the Commissioners was set aside
was because an injunction existed restrain-
ing the plaintiffs from proceeding in the
Court of law. If such injunction existed
it did not restrain the Court but only
the party who might by the permission
of the Court proceed at his peril al-
though the Court of law may & usually
well take notice of such injunctions
& refuse to proceed in violation of them
so that if there ~~was~~^{was} such injunction
the Court might well refuse to act
and if no such injunction existed
or if it did exist & has been since dissolved
by the judgment of this Court the Circuit
Court will proceed to complete the
partition by requiring a new report
from the same Commissioners
or by appointing others who will be
required to proceed. If the Circuit Court
should set aside a report which was
unexceptionable & require a new partition
& report we do not see how the party
can get any remedy in this Court any
more, than in the case where the Circuit
Court should improperly set aside
a verdict and grant a new trial.
The order requiring the defendant to
join in Error must be set aside

Joseph Bowler depts

in 2
from Gallatin

McCallum,
Bowman &

Opinion of
Chas. J. Eaton.

Filed Dec. 2, 1857.

A. Johnston M

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
SUPREME COURT. }

ss. 1st Grand Division

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,

To the Sheriff of Gallatin County,

Because in the record and proceedings, and also in the rendition of the judgment, of a plea which was in the Circuit Court of Gallatin County, before the judge thereof, between Andrew McCallen and Mary Ann McCallen his wife, and Josephine McCallen Mary McCallen and Andrew J. McCallen Minors who are by Andrew McCallen their Guardian, Plaintiffs; and Joseph Bowles & Rebecca Bowles his wife, Stephen R. Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife, and John Rea

defendant, it is said that manifest error hath intervened to the injury of said Joseph Bowles and Rebecca Bowles his wife - Defendants with John Rea and Stephen R. Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife as we are informed by their complaint, the record and proceedings of which said judgment, we have caused to be brought into our Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, at Mt. Vernon, before the Justices thereof, to correct the errors in the same, in due form and manner, according to law; therefore we command you, that by good and lawful men of your county, you give notice to the said Andrew McCallen & Mary Ann McCallen his wife, and Josephine McCallen, Mary McCallen, and Andrew J. McCallen Minors, who are by their Guardian Andrew McCallen; and also that you give notice to the said John Rea, and Stephen R. Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife

that they be and appear before the Justices of our said Supreme Court, on the first day of the next term of said Court, to be holden at Mount Vernon, in said State, on the first Tuesday after the Second Monday in November next, to hear the records and proceedings aforesaid, and the errors assigned, if they shall think fit; and further to do and receive what the said Court shall order in this behalf; and have you then there the names of those by whom you shall give the said Deposited in error notice, together with this writ.

John D. Eaton
Witness, the Hon. ~~Samuel H. Tazewell~~, Chief Justice of our said Court, and the seal thereof, at Mount Vernon, this 31st day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

Noah Johnston
Clerk of Supreme Court.

I John H. M^r. Murtry Deputy Sheriff of Gallatin County regularly appointed by James H. M^r. Murtry late Sheriff of said County, who recently departed this life, do certify that I have executed this summons by reading the same to the several parties on this 4th day of ~~November~~ ^{November} A.D. 1857.

Given under my hand this 4th day of November 1857

John H. M^r. Murtry dpt Sheriff

I John H. M^r. Murtry Deputy Sheriff of Gallatin County, regularly appointed by James H. M^r. Murtry late Sheriff of said County, who recently departed this life, do certify that I have executed this summons by reading the same to the within named - Andrew M^r. Callen & Mary Ann M^r. Callen his wife & Josephine M^r. Callen, Mary M^r. Callen & Andrew J. M^r. Callen John Reid - Stephen R. Rowan and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife on this 4th day of November A.D. 1857 - Given under my hand ~~November 4th~~ ^{November 14th} 1857
John H. M^r. Murtry dpt Sheriff J.H.

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Joseph Bowler and
 Rebecca Bowler his
 wife - implacated with
 Stephen R. Rowan and
 Nancy Ann Rowan his
 wife, and John Reid
 as J. J. for
 Andrew M^r. Callen and
 Mary Ann M^r. Callen his
 wife, and Josephine
 M^r. Callen, Mary M^r. Callen
 and Andrew J. M^r. Callen
 Minors who sue by their
 Executrix Andrew M^r. C.
 Callen; and also John
 Reid, Stephen R. Rowan
 and Nancy Ann Rowan
 his wife.

Sh H. J. - \$2.00

STATE OF ILLINOIS
SUPREME COURT,

SS. *1st Grand Division*
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS;

WRIT OF ERROR.

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county of *Gallatin*

GREETING,

BECAUSE in the record and proceedings, as also in the rendition of the judgment of a plea which was in the Circuit Court of *Gallatin* county, before the Judge thereof, between *Andrew McCallen and Mary Ann McCallen his wife, and Josephine McCallen Mary McCallen and Andrew J McCallen Minors who are by Andrew McCallen their Guardian* plaintiffs, and *Joseph Bowler & Rebecca Bowler his wife, Stephen R. Rowan. and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife and John Reed*

defendants it is said manifest error hath intervened, to the injury of the aforesaid ~~defendants~~ *Joseph Bowler and Rebecca Bowler his wife -* ~~implicated with John Reed and Stephen R. Rowan,~~ *and Nancy Ann Rowan his wife* as we are informed by *their*

complaint, and we being willing that error, should be corrected if any there be, in due form and manner, and that justice be done to the parties aforesaid, command you that if judgment thereof be given, you distinctly and openly without delay, send to our Justices of the Supreme Court, the record and proceedings of the plaint, aforesaid, with all things touching the same, under your seal, so that we may have the same before our Justices aforesaid at

Mount Vernon, in the county of Jefferson, on the *1st Sunday after 2^d Monday of November*

next, that the record and proceedings, being inspected, we may cause to be done therein, to correct the error, what of right ought to be done according to law:

John D. Cator

Witness, the Hon. ~~WALTER R. SCHEIDT~~ Chief Justice of our said court, and the seal thereof, at Mount Vernon this

thirty first day of *October*

in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty- *Seven*.

Clerk Supreme Court.

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Joseph Bowler & Rebecca
Bowler his wife, infants
- and with John Rusk,
and Stephen R Rowson,
and Nancy Ann Rowson
his wife

by } M. J. 2000

Andrew McCallen and
Mary Ann McCallen his
wife, and Josephine
McCallen, Mary McCallen,
and Andrew J. McCallen
Minors who are by their
Guardian Andrew
McCallen - and also
John Rusk, Stephen R
Rowson and Nancy
Ann Rowson his wife

Issued filed 31st October
1807. of J. L. L. M.

Joseph Bowles

vs

Andrew McCallen et al.

Brief of Appellees.

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And the fact that Andrew McCallen is a party plaintiff in the amended petition, answers the 2nd assignment of Error, which is that he is tenant by the Courtesy and is not made a party to the suit.

But he would not have such an existing interest as would make him a necessary party, as tenant by the Courtesy, because that was a mere possibility, as the wife was still living.

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- This is not error, as it is not necessary for the order to state each particular fact which was proven; but here the Court virtually decided the question by disregarding him in finding the rights and respective interests of the parties in the land.

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in the first place the order for partition was made upon the amended petition alone -

And in the second place, this is a Common Law proceeding, (Lovell vs. Menard, 1 Gil 43,) and being so, if the appellant wished to question the correctness of the finding of the Court upon the evidence, he should have preserved the evidence himself, in a bill of exceptions - It is not the duty of the appellee to preserve the testimony, as it would have been in a suit in Chancery.

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It is true there was no service of process but by the petition & exceptions filed & sworn to by Joseph Bowles (on p. 13 of the record) ^{he} enters his appearance ~~to~~ in the proceedings.

Then it is a question whether the order appealed from was such a final order as would be the subject of appeal - or whether it is only an interlocutory order.

A. L. Freeman Atty
for Appellees.

No. 28.

Joseph Bowles

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Jacksonville 4th Dec 1857.

Dear Johnson Esq.

1st In making up the orders in the case of Bowler vs. Brown & Error from Galeatin (No 41.) the first order appoints Nelson Guardian Ad Litem for infants - ~~the 2nd order~~ and orders parties to join in Error.

The 2nd Nelsons motion to set aside the above order ^{requiring him to join in Error.} - The Third, the Judge's that the order be set aside,

4th The presenting the petition of one for Reconsideration, and then comes the opinion of the court, - after copying that, then say - Whereupon on motion of the plaintiff this cause is dismissed, which concludes the whole of the Record, - no judgment for costs is given, because the court decides agt Jurisdiction, - Bowler pays the cost one few bills, - I suppose the \$5 will about pay

I want all the above proceedings, opinion and orders copied for use in Circuit Court, - send the copy to Mr Bowler at Shearwater and inform him

What is owed for costs, so that he may
pay it.

Very Respectfully
yours &c

Wm Thomas

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Attorney to Secy

14, 1857

No 28

Joseph Bowles

by

Andrew McCallum

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Appeal from Gallatin

Opinion by

Scates Jr.

Decree reversed and the
petition dismissed without
prejudice.

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Appeal. - Partition case.

1. The statute regulating proceedings in Chancery (Revised Statute page 93) provides that suits in Chancery may be commenced & prosecuted by infants either by Guardians or next friends

2. The statute in relation to "Guardians of Wards" ^{Revised Statute 265. Sec 4.} provides, that "Guardians by virtue of their office as such, shall be allowed in all cases to prosecute and defend for their Wards"

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3. The statute on the subject of Partition Revised Statute page 399. - Sec
It shall be lawful for any one or more of the persons interested, by themselves, if of full age, or by their Guardians if Minors, to present their petitions do

2 & 3 sections require all partition instances to be made partition do

The Statute on the Subject of Abatement
Revised Statute 45. Sec 12 provides that
proceedings for the partition of lands
shall not abate for

At the instance proper to others, they may
by order of court be made parties.
Sec 15 provides for making co-defendants,

Story.

Infants born by next friend, - Story 57.
rights expressed as to seeing by Guardians
Sec 58.

Sec 70 states the difference between infant
& married Women, - the latter must
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Shows that infants born by their next
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The Record does not show that McCallum
was ever made party to the suit, or
~~any of the~~ - but his wife and children
were made parties, -

No process was ever issued against or
served upon Bowles. - The Record
shows that he, and his wife appeared
and testified as witnesses to the will
the Report of the court respecting
~~and~~ making partition, subsequent

to which, the order for partition ~~and~~
all proceedings had under it were
set aside on motions of Jeff
and subsequent to this, new order
was made on motions of Jeff
making Bowler a party, - but he
never appeared after this, - nor had
notice to appear,

Upon the facts stated in the petition
the court would probably presume
the death of William Price, - but
the Jeff has made him a party to
the suit, issued summons against him, and
published notice of the suit, -
It was the duty of the court therefore to
have made some order in relation
to him, so as to have perpetuated
the evidence of his death, if such had
been the proof, or to have ordered the
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Joseph B. Barger, one of the commissioners states: in making the division, the commissioners estimated the value of each tract of land, and then divided the same into four parts of equal value, according to their estimates. He does not remember the aggregate value, *fixed* upon the whole of said lands; but in his opinion, the whole of said lands at the time of the division, were reasonably worth *twenty-two thousand dollars.*

The errors assigned are:

First: The court erred in not making an order approving the report and confirming the partition.

Second: The court erred in setting aside the said report.

W. THOMAS. }
J. OLNEY. } *For Plaintiff.*

Shawneetown, October 29, 1857.

J. Bowles et al

v

A. W. Allen et al

abstract

W. Thomas &

J. Tracy for office
Wm

R. S. Nelson

N. L. Freeman

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Hannover Feb^y 14th 1835.

To the clerk of
Supreme Court at W. Dorset. St.

Dear Sir,

You will much
oblige me by forwarding to our Sheriff, an execution for
cost, and including 10⁰⁰ for the record paid by me for same,
in case "W. M. Call, Guard v. S. H. & W. Reid" in which I
took an appeal - which resulted in the dismissal of the bill.

Yours Very Respectfully,

R. Bowles.

Attendants

Joseph Bowles et al v Andrew McCallen et al

James A. Reid an infant and ward of Andrew McCallen, being entitled to a part of the lands of his Grand father John Reid - Andrew McCallen filed the petition in this case for a partition, in which he described himself "guardian of James Alexander Reid" Such steps were taken, as obtaining a report of partition from Commissioners, but before confirmation the ward died. Thereupon his death was suggested, and amended petitions filed in which his heirs were plaintiffs. Another suggestion of the intermarriage of Rebecca Reid, one of the defendants, with Joseph Bowles was made and an order to make him a party.

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Joseph Bowles brings the Cause to this Court, and assigns error.

The errors are well assigned.

Andrew McCallen had no interest in these lands, and could not sustain a petition for partition by virtue of a guardianship of an infant owner. It may be that he intended to file a petition for Jas A. Reid the ward - but if so he has mistaken the effect of the terms used. The same question upon the same description of the plaintiff was presented in *Hoare v Harris*, 11 Ills R 25 - where it was held to be mere description of the person, and did not present the ward as the party. In the same case the Court say the statute has not authorized the guardian to sue in his own name. See *Bradley v Quindm* 10 Paige 23.

This was not a suit by James A. Reid - but by
A. McCallen himself. The death of the infant
therefore did not authorize the substitution of
his heirs as parties. McCallen had no rights
in the lands as shown by the petition, and
cannot sustain a suit for the petition.

Neither is it competent to change the parties,
plaintiff, entirely by substituting in his place
others who have rights.

The proceeding was wrong in its commencement
for want of a proper plaintiff, and we see no
mode of correcting that error, but by dismissing
the petition without prejudice as their names
have been used, and so let a new suit be
instituted. It is to be remarked that the decree
was erroneous as to J. Bowler for want of service.
The exceptions filed to former decree would not dis-
pose with service in a new suit.

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now in respect that their wives have interests
in the lands to be divided, and their husbands
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John T. Walters states, that several years since, he acted as a commissioner, under an order of the Circuit Court of Gallatin County, to make partition of the lands in controversy. The lands were divided into four parts of equal value, in the opinion of the commissioners, having regard to the then situation of the improvements and condition of the country. He has examined the plat of said lands and division thereof, as represented on the township plats; the division differs from the one made, when he acted as commissioner, which may be accounted for, in the difference of the situation of the improvements; the difference in the orders of court, and the difference of opinion, which would likely exist, in regard to the value of the different parts of said lands. He is of opinion that the fourth set off to Rebecca Bowles, if free from the dower estate, would be more valuable than any other part, by \$1,000; but as it is, he thinks the part assigned to A. McCallan, *et. al.* is nearly of equal value. The parts set off to John Reid and N. A. Rowan, are of about equal value, neither of them, in his opinion, are equal in value to the other two parts. The said lands are all valuable, and it would be difficult in his opinion, to get any three men to agree upon the precise value of each parcel,—has not examined said lands or improvements for several years, and does not know the present condition of the same.

Joseph B. Barger, one of the commissioners states: in making the division, the commissioners estimated the value of each tract of land, and then divided the same into four parts of equal value, according to their estimates. He does not remember the aggregate value, *fixed* upon the whole of said lands; but in his opinion, the whole of said lands at the time of the division, were reasonably worth *twenty-two thousand dollars.*

The errors assigned are:

First: The court erred in not making an order approving the report and confirming the partition.

Second: The court erred in setting aside the said report.

W. THOMAS. } *For Plaintiffs.*
J. OLNEY. }

Shawneetown, October 29, 1857.

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Abstract

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Dismissed

Other name up - copy
sent down - for bill
made up - letter sent with
check - and this case
is done & may be put
away in the files

No 23

November 1854

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Appeal from Gallatin

Opinion by

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Scal. J.

Order reversed and
petition dismissed
without prejudice