

No. **11892**

Supreme Court of Illinois

Rodgers.

vs.

Brent.

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*N<sup>o</sup> 26*  
*James Rodgers*  
*vs*  
*Richard W. H. Brent*

*1849*

*11892*

Lee County, Circuit Court

State of Illinois  
Lee County, Sp.

Shas before the Honorable Thomas  
C. Broome one of the Justices of the Supreme Court  
of the State of Illinois, and presiding Judge of the  
Sixth Judicial Circuit in said State, at a Term  
of the Circuit Court begun and held at the Court  
House in the Town of Dixon in and for said County  
on the third Monday of August A.D. 1848

Present The Hon Thomas C. Broome Judge

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit, on the 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of April A.D. 1847 at a term of the said Circuit  
Court then being held, came Richard W. H. Brent  
by Heaton & Noble his Attornies and presented to said  
Court his declaration in ejectment against James  
Rodgers - which said declaration is in the words and  
figures following to wit

" State of Illinois } Lee County Circuit Court  
Lee County ss: } April term A.D. 1847

Richard W. H. Brent by  
Heaton & Noble his attorneys complains of  
James Rodgers defendant in a plea of trespass  
and Ejectment for that heretofore to wit on the first  
day of February A.D. 1847 the said plaintiff was the  
owner in fee simple and in the possession of the South  
East quarter of Section thirteen in Township  
numbered twenty one North of Range nine East  
of the fourth principal meridian lying and being  
in Lee County and State of Illinois containing

one hundred & sixty acres of land, and being so the owner and possessor of said premises, The said defendant afterwards to wit on the day and year last aforesaid unlawfully entered into said premises and unlawfully withholds the same from the possession of the said plaintiff, to the damage of the said plaintiff of one thousand dollars & therefore he brings suit vs. H Eaton & Noble

To the above named defendant attorneys for plaintiff  
Mr James Rodgers

Sir - you are hereby notified that the declaration of which the above is a copy will be filed in the Lee County Circuit Court on the first day of the next term thereof upon the filing of which a rule will be entered requiring you to appear & plead to said declaration within twenty days from the day of entering such rule & that if you neglect so to do a judgment by default will be entered against you & the said plaintiff recover the possession of the premises in said declaration mentioned.

Given April 8<sup>th</sup> 1847

Yours &c  
H Eaton & Noble  
attys for plaintiff

And such proceedings were thereupon afterwards to wit on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1847 had in the said Lee County Circuit Court at the said term thereof as that the following order was then entered upon its records which said order is in the words and figures following to wit

"Richard W. De Broun }  
" }  
James Rodgers }  
} Agreement. Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup> 1847  
} This day came the plaintiff by H Eaton  
} & Noble his attorneys and filed his declaration in this  
} cause together with an affidavit that a copy of the said  
~~declaration was made and served on the defendant~~

declaration had been delivered to the said defendant as required by law  
it is therefore on motion of the said plaintiff ordered that the said defendant  
file his plea to the said declaration within twenty days from this date

And afterwards to wit on the said 17<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1847 came the  
said defendant by his attorney and filed in the office of the Clerk of said Court his  
plea to the said declaration which said plea is in the words and figures following to wit  
State of Missouri

See County Circuit Court April term 1847

Richard W. H. Brent vs James Rodgers.

And said James Rodgers comes and  
defends <sup>force and</sup> the wrong &c when &c and says that he is not guilty in  
manner and form as said Brent has in his declaration in this case al-  
leged & complained against him & of this he puts himself upon the  
country -  
By Fuller & Southwick his attys

And such proceedings were afterwards to wit  
on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August A.D. 1847 had in the said Lee County  
Circuit Court as that the following order was entered upon  
the records of said Court which said order is in the words  
and figures following to wit:

Saturday August 21<sup>st</sup> 1847

Richard W. H. Brent

James Rodgers

Ejectment

This day came the  
said plaintiff by Heaton & Noble his attorney  
and the said defendant by Southwick his  
attorney and by their agreement it

is ordered by the Court that this cause be continued to the next term of this Court "

And afterwards to wit on the Eleventh day of April A.D. 1848 at the April term of said Court such proceedings were had in said Court as that the following order was entered upon the records thereof which said order is in the words and figures following to wit

" Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1848

Richard W. de Brent  
James Rodgers

} Ejectment

This day came the said plaintiff by Newton Noble his attorney and the said defendant by Southwick his attorney and by their agreement it is ordered by the Court that " this cause be continued to the next term hereof "

And afterwards to wit on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1848 at the August term of said Court such proceedings were thereupon had in said Court as that the following order was entered upon the records thereof which said order is in the words and figures following to wit

Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup> 1848

Richard W. H. Brent

vs  
James Rodgers

Ejectment.

This day came the said plaintiff  
by Heaton & Noble, Knox & Young his attorneys and  
the said defendant by Southwick his attorney and  
issue being joined thereupon came a jury of  
good and lawful men to wit M. F. Garrison Ephraim  
Whitney, Edwin Ellsworth, John Fender Hosea  
Town John Sunatt Samuel Riddleberger Will-  
iam Hudson Martin Phelps James Porter Will-  
iam B. Stewart and David A. Holley who being  
only elected tried and sworn to try the issue joined  
between the said parties after <sup>having</sup> heard the evidence retired  
to consider of their verdict and afterwards they  
returned into court the following verdict to wit  
"We the jury in the above case find the defendant  
guilty and find the estate in fee simple of the S. E.  
quarter of section 13 T. 21. N. of Range nine  
East of the 4<sup>th</sup> P. M. to be in said plaintiff"

Therefore it is considered that the said plaintiff  
do recover against the said defendant the possession  
of the said premises according to the said verdict  
of the said jury - also his costs by him the said  
plaintiff about this suit in this behalf expended -  
and it is further considered that the said plaintiff  
have execution upon his said judgment against  
the said defendant according to force form and  
effect of his said recovery

And afterwards to wit on the twenty fifth day of

August one thousand eight hundred and forty  
eight at the August term of said Court such  
proceedings were had in said cause as that the said  
defendant produced the following bill of his excep-  
tions to the decisions of said court which said  
bill of exceptions was upon the said twenty  
fifth day of August A.D. one thousand eight  
hundred and forty eight duly filed in the office  
of the Clerk of the said Lee County Circuit Court  
and is in the words and figures following to wit.

Richard W. H. Brent } State of Minnais,  
vs } Lee County and Circuit  
James Rodgers } Court thereof, August  
Term A. D. 1848  
Exhibit.

Be it remembered that on the trial of this  
cause the plaintiff to support the issue on his part  
introduced in evidence the following patents which  
are in the words and figures following to wit.

Certificate  
No 11540

The United States of America

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting.

Whereas Jesse Bowman a signer of Samuel M.  
Bowman has deposited in the General Land Office  
of the United States a Certificate of the Register  
of the Land Office at Galena whereby it appears  
that full payment has been made by the said Samuel  
M. Bowman according to the provisions of the act of Congress  
of the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 1820 entitled "An act making further  
provisions for the sale of the Public Lands" for the East half  
of the South East quarter of section thirteen in Township

Twenty one, of range nine East in the district of Lands subject to sale at Galena Illinois, containing eighty acres according to the official plat of the survey of the said lands returned to the General Land office by the Surveyor General which said tract has been purchased by the said Samuel M. Bowman. Now know ye that the United States of America in consideration of the premises and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided have given and granted and by these Presents do Give and Grant unto the said Jesse Bowman and to his heirs, the said tract above described.

To Have and To Hold the same together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging unto the said Jesse Bowman and to his heirs and assigns forever -

In testimony whereof I John Tyler President of the United States of America have caused these letters to be made patent and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed

Given under my hand at the City of Washington the first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three and of the Independence of the United States the Sixty Seventh

By the President  
John Tyler

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J. Williamson  
Recorder of the General Land Office.

United States  
Seal  
Jesse Bowman

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Certificate  
No 11541

The United States of America

To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting

Whereas Jesse Bowman a piquee of Samuel M. Bowman has deposited in the General Land office of the United States a certificate of the Register of the Land office at Galena whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Samuel M. Bowman according to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 1820 entitled "An Act making further provisions for the sale of the Public Lands" for the west half of the South East quarter of section thirteen in Township twenty one of Range nine East in the District of Land Subject to Sale at Galena Illinois containing eighty acres, according to the official plat of the Survey of the said Lands returned to the General Land office by the Surveyor General which said tract has been purchased by the said Samuel M. Bowman, Now know Ye That the United States of America in consideration of the Premises and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided Have Given And Granted and by these Presents Do Give And Grant unto the said Jesse Bowman and to his heirs the said tract above described To Have and to Hold the same Together with all the rights privileges immunities and appurtenances of whatsoever nature thereunto belonging unto the said Jesse Bowman and to his heirs and assigns forever

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of the General Land Office

he then offered in Evidence the following deed to wit

This deed made and entered into this first day of December  
eighteen hundred and forty six by and between Jesse Bowman and  
Anne <sup>Bowman</sup> his wife of Columbia County State of Pennsylvania parties  
of the first part and Richard W. H. Brent formerly of the State of  
Maryland but now of Lee County State of Illinois, party of the  
second part Witnesseth, that the said parties of the first part in con-  
sideration of one thousand dollars to them paid by the said party of the  
second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged do by these presents  
grant bargain and sell convey and confirm unto the said party of  
the second part the following described real estate - to wit - ~~the East~~  
the East half of the North East quarter of Section twenty four - the  
West half of the North East quarter of Section twenty four - the East  
half of the North West quarter of Section twenty four - the West half of  
the North West quarter of Section twenty four - the East half of the South  
East quarter of Section thirteen - and the West half of the South East  
quarter of Section thirteen, all in Township twenty one of Range  
Nine East in the District of Lands subject to Sale at Galena Illinois, con-  
taining four hundred and eighty acres more or less, and in the same

land patented by the Government of the United States, to the said  
 Jesse Bowman as per patent certificates numbered 11557,  
 11558, 11559, 11560, 11540, and 11541 situate lying and  
 being in Lee County State of Illinois, To have and to hold  
 the same together with all the rights, immunities, privileges  
 and appurtenances to the same belonging unto the said  
 party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns forever  
 the said Jesse Bowman hereby covenanting that he his heirs  
 executors and administrators shall and will warrant and  
 defend the title to the premises to the said party of the second  
 part and to his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful  
 claims of all persons.

In Witness Whereof, the said parties of the first part  
 have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first  
 above written

Done in presence of  
 J. T. Davis }  
 Wm Bandy }

Jesse Bowman Seal

Anna Bowman Seal

State of Pennsylvania } ss:  
 County of Columbia }

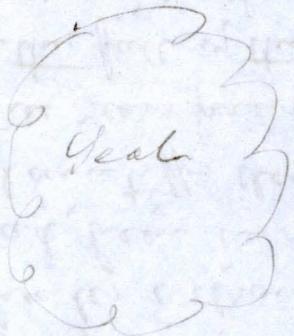
Be it remembered that on this twenty ninth  
 day of December A.D. Eighteen hundred and forty six before me the  
 undersigned J. T. Davis a Justice of the peace in and for said County  
 came Jesse Bowman and Anna Bowman his wife who are both  
 personally known to me to be the same persons whose names  
 are subscribed to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties  
 thereto and severally acknowledged the same to be their act and  
 deed for the purposes therein mentioned and the said Anna Bow-  
 man having been by me first made acquainted with the contents  
 of the foregoing instrument of writing acknowledged on

an Examination separate and apart from her said husband  
that she signed the same and relinquished her dower to the  
property therein conveyed freely and without the compulsion  
or undue influence of her said husband,  
Taken and Certified the day and year aforesaid

J. T. Davis  
J.P.

State of Pennsylvania  
Columbia County ss:

I, Jacob Eyerly Prothonotary of the  
Court of Common Pleas in and for the County  
aforesaid do hereby certify that John T. Davis inquire  
before whom the within acknowledged instrument was taken  
was at that time and still is an acting justice of the  
peace in and for the County aforesaid duly commis-  
sioned and sworn as such and to whose official acts  
due faith and credit is and ought to be given as  
well in courts of justice as elsewhere - In testimony  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
the seal of the said Court at Seneca the twenty  
Eighth day of January A.D. eighteen hundred  
and forty seven - Jacob Eyerly Prot



State of Pennsylvania  
Columbia County ss:

Be it remembered that on the twenty first  
day of June in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and forty eight, before the undersigned Pro-  
thonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County came  
Jesse Bowman and Anna Bowman his wife who are both personally  
known to me to be the same persons whose names are subscribed  
to the foregoing instrument of writing as parties thereto and severally  
acknowledged the said same to be their act and deed for the purposes  
therein mentioned. And the said Anna Bowman having been by  
me first made acquainted with the contents of the foregoing  
instrument of writing acknowledged on an Examination  
separate and apart from her said husband that she signed

the same and relinquished her dower to the said property therein conveyed freely and without the Compulsion or undue influence of her said husband and I do certify this Acknowledgement to be in due form according to the laws of this State.

*(Seal)*  
*in*

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the said Court at Bloomsburg the day and year above written.

Jacob Eyerly Prothy

which ~~said deed~~ was objected to by the defendant and the objection overruled to which decision of the Court in overruling said objection and admitting said deed in evidence the defendant excepted. The plaintiff then introduced Charles Edson as a witness who testified that the defendant had been in possession of the premises claimed in the plaintiffs declaration on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1847 and for three years previous; defendant never lived upon the land; that in the fall of the year 1846 deft sowed a crop of wheat upon said land; said wheat was winter killed and was never harvested although some portion of it in the opinion of witness would have been worth harvesting; said deft looked at the wheat in the Spring <sup>of 1847</sup> and had the same general oversight of the premises he had for the previous years, but witness knew of no other act of possession or ownership done by said defendant during the year 1847, the fences needed repair every Spring. This was all the evidence introduced by the plaintiff.

The defendant then offered in evidence the following certificate after proving the signature of the same to be the hand writing of George

Mister and that the said George Mister was at the date of the said Certificate Register of the Land office of the United States at Dixon Illinois.

Land office Dixon Ills

August 20<sup>th</sup> 1847.

I, Geo Mister Register of the Land office at Dixon Illinois do hereby certify that Samuel M. Bowman on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 1840 purchased of the United States according to law and as appears from the records of this office the tract of land designated on the plats of the United States Survey as the South East quarter of section No Thirteen (13) and the north half of section No Twenty four (24) in Township No Twenty one (21) North Range nine East of the 4<sup>th</sup> P.M. containing 480 acres for which he made payment in full at the rate of one dollar and twenty five cents per acre

Geo. Mister  
Register -

The defendant stating that he expected to prove that the certificate of sale upon which the patents aforesaid were issued were held by said Samuel M. Bowman and not assigned by him until the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1843 to the reception and reading in evidence of said certificate the plaintiff objected which objection was sustained and the said certificate excluded to which decision of the Court in excluding said certificate the defendant excepted, The defendant then offered in evidence the following certificate and copy of assignment

General Land Office

July 30<sup>th</sup> 1847

I, Richard M. Young Commissioner of the General Land Office do hereby certify that the annexed is a true and literal Exemplification of the original on file in this office -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of this office to be affixed at the City of Washington on the day and year above written.

Richard M. Young  
Commissioner of the General Land Office

General Land Office  
District of Columbia

"Assignment"

For value received I, Samuel M. Bowman of the County of Lee and State of Illinois do hereby sell and assign, subject to all Equity subsisting between me and the United States unto Jesse Bowman of the County of Columbia and State of Pennsylvania all my right and title to the lands designated as per Receivers Receipts Nos 11557, 11558, 11540, 11541, 11559, 11560 as the East half of the North East quarter of Section No Twenty four, The west half of the North East quarter of Section No Twenty four, the East half of the South East quarter of Section No Thirteen and the west half of the South East quarter of Section No Thirteen, and the East half of the North West quarter of Section No Twenty four and the west half of the North West quarter of Section No Twenty four of Township No Twenty one of Range No Nine and East of the fourth principal Meridian in the district of lands subject to sale at Dixon Illinois.

Attest

Chas. A. Eddy

Es. B. Stiles

Witness my hand and seal

This 5<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1843.

Samuel M. Bowman *Deaf*

Acknowledged before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1843

John Hogan  
Register.

After proving the signature to said certificate to be the hand writing of the said Richard M. Young; to the reception of which the plaintiff objected which objection was sustained and the said certificate and copy of assignment was excluded, to which decision of the court the defendant excepted. The defendant then offered in evidence the following record of a judgment in said Lee County ~~State~~

Henry F. Rodney and William Rodney  
Merchants partners doing business under the  
name firm and style of H. F. & W. Rodney

Monday September  
12<sup>th</sup> 1842

Samuel M. Bowman & Charles A. Lane  
late partners merchants doing business  
under the name firm and style of  
Bowman and Lane

Assumpsit -

This day came the said plaintiffs by Edward Southwick their attorney legally authorized by the said defendants as per their power of attorney on file in this cause and confessed them to be indebted to the said plaintiff in the sum of twelve hundred and ninety seven dollars and seventy six cents being the sum mentioned in said power of attorney and requested that judgment be entered against them for the same, Whereupon it is considered by the court that the said plaintiffs have and recover of the said defendants the said sum of

Twelve hundred and ninety seven dollars and seventy six cents together with their costs by them about this writ in this behalf expended and that they have Execution thereon, and also the following Execution Sheriff's return and Sheriff's deed

Execution

State of Illinois }  
Dee County Ill. }

ss, The People of the State of Illinois to the Sheriff of said County Greeting

We command you of the goods and Chattels Lands and Tenements of Samuel M. Bowman and Charles A. Lane which shall be found in your County you cause to be made the sum of twelve hundred and ninety seven dollars and seventy six cents which Henry F. Rodney and William Rodney hath lately, in the Circuit Court of said County recovered against them for their damages, by reason of certain trespasses by them the said Samuel M. Bowman and Charles A. Lane to the said Henry F. Rodney & William Rodney lately done. And also the further sum of three dollars and fifty two and a half cents which were adjudged to them for their costs and charges in that behalf expended, whereof the said Samuel M. Bowman & Charles A. Lane are convicted as appears to us of record; And have that money ready in ninety days from the date hereof to render to the said Henry F. Rodney and William Rodney

further damages and costs aforesaid. Hereof fail not and make return of this writ in ninety days from the date hereof with an endorsement thereon as to the manner in which you executed the same

Dee County }  
A Seal }  
Wm. J. ... }

Witness Charles J. Chase clerk of our said Court and the seal of said Court at Dixon this Twenty eighth day of September A.D. 1842

Charles J. Chase, Clerk

By virtue of the the annexed execution I have levied upon the following described property

Lot 3 in Block 20. Lots 5 & 1 in block 51  
 Lot 3 in Block 69. Lot 3 in Block 76  
 Lot 4 in Block 92

All of said lots lying and being in the Town of Dixon as recorded in the Recorders office in and for the County of Lee and State of Illinois Also the North half of Section (24) Twenty four and the South East quarter of Section (13) Thirteen, Township (21) Twenty one North Range (9) nine East of the fourth principal Meridian this 3<sup>d</sup> day of December A. D. 1842.

James Campbell  
 Sheriff Lee County.

Lot 3 in Block 20	_____	\$50.00 - 33.34
" 3 " do 76	_____	5.00 - 3.33
" 5 " do 51	_____	20.00 - 13.34
" 1 " do 51	_____	30.00 - 20.00
" 3 " do 69	_____	15.00 - 10.00
" 4 " do 92	_____	5.00 - 3.34

South East quarter of Section thirteen Township twenty one }  
 one North Range nine East of fourth principal Meridian } \$2.75  
 per acre

North half of section twenty four Township twenty one } \$1.50 per  
 Range nine East of the fourth principal Meridian } Acre

After being duly sworn, we the undersigned hereby certify that the above prices set opposite the property mentioned were agreed to by us, and that we have priced the said property as stated above  
 appraisers appointed to appraise

Erastus de Wolf  
 Charles Edson  
 J. S. Little.

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the above property taken to satisfy  
an Execution in favor of Henry F.  
Rodney & William Rodney vs Samuel M.  
Bowman & Charles A. Lane

Received this Execution for collection this      day of October A.D. 1842  
at the hour of 9 o'clock A.M.

Made Six hundred and ninety seven dollars and seventy  
Six cents and paid the same as per  
receipt on this Execution - James Campbell

Fees levying 50 returning 12 1/2 appoint      Sheriff of Lee Co  
ing 3 appraisers who did not agree 75-

levying same 10% advertising 25 appointing 3 appraisers 15 levying same 10%

per cent on 697.76 19.44 December 26<sup>th</sup> 1842

Appraisers fees <sup>85</sup> two certificates 25 - filing same 50

James Campbell Sheriff Lee Co

I have this day bid off the property levied upon by virtue of the  
within Execution the sum total of which sale amounts to Six  
hundred and ninety seven dollars and seventy six cents  
which said amount is to be endorsed as so much received  
by said plaintiffs upon the within Execution  
Dated December 26<sup>th</sup> 1842. E. Southwick atty

for said plaintiffs -

"Sheriff's deed"

Whereas, Henry F. Rodney and William Rodney did  
at the term of the Circuit Court for the County of Lee in  
the State of Illinois held on the second Monday of

September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two recover a judgment against Samuel M. Bowman and Charles A. Lane for the sum of thirteen hundred and one dollars and thirty eight cents for their damages and costs of suit upon which judgment an execution was issued tested the twenty eighth day of September A.D. eighteen hundred and forty two, directed to James Campbell Sheriff of said <sup>Lee</sup> County, State of Illinois, to Execute by virtue of which said execution the said James Campbell levied upon the lands hereinafter described and the same were <sup>struck off and</sup> sold to Edward Southwick he being the highest and best bidder therefor and the time and place of the sale thereof having been duly advertised according to law Now therefore know all by these presents that I, James Campbell Sheriff of said County of Lee in consideration of the premises have granted bargained and sold and do hereby convey to the said Edward Southwick his heirs and assigns the following described tract of land To wit The South East quarter of section number thirteen (13) in Township number (21) twenty one north range (9) nine East of the (4<sup>th</sup>) fourth principal Meridian situated in said County of Lee. To have and to hold the said described premises with all the appurtenances thereto belonging to the said Southwick his heirs and assigns forever. Witness my hand and seal this seventeenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four.

James Campbell *Sh*  
Sheriff of Lee Co Ill.

State of Illinois }  
Lee County } ss. I, Charles T. Chace clerk of the circuit

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Court in and for said County certify that James Campbell  
whose name is subscribed to the within deed of conveyance  
and who is personally known to me to be the identical  
person who signed the same, this day appeared before  
me and acknowledged that he had signed sealed and  
delivered the same as his free act and deed for the uses  
and purposes therein expressed.

x Court  
J. J. Jones

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Court at  
Dixon in said County this Seventeenth day  
of December A.D. 1844.

Charles T. Chase Clerk -

to the introduction of each of which the plaintiff objected which  
objection was sustained and the said record, Execution, Sheriff's  
return and deed were excluded; to all of which decisions  
of the Court the defendant excepted at the several times  
when they were made. The defendant then introduced  
Erastus De Wolf as a witness who testified that he was called  
upon as an appraiser to appraise the land in question upon  
the sale upon the Execution aforesaid. The defendant then  
asked said witness what acts the said Samuel Mc Bowman  
did in relation to turning out said land to be sold on said  
Execution, and whether or not one of the appraisers  
were appointed or chosen by said Samuel Mc  
Bowman, to which questions said witness testified that  
the plaintiff objected and the Court refused to allow said  
questions to be answered to which decision of the Court  
the defendant excepted, witness testified that at that  
time he was not upon the land but in Dixon five miles  
from the land but that he was acquainted with the land.

This was all the evidence offered in the case.  
The Jury found the following verdict

"We the jury, in the above case find the defendant guilty  
and find the Estate in fee simple of the S. E. quarter  
of section 13, T. 21 N. of Range nine East of the  
4<sup>th</sup> P. M. to be in said plaintiff."

The defendant prays this his bill of  
exceptions be signed sealed and enrolled  
and made a part of the record which is done.

Thos. C. Browne Seal

State of Illinois of J. Charles T. Chase Clerk  
Lee County of the Circuit Court in and  
for said County. Do hereby cer-  
tify that the foregoing is a true, full and perfect Trans-  
cript from the records of said Court of the proceedings  
had therein, in the above mentioned cause, wherein  
Richard W. H. Brent is plaintiff and James Rodgers  
defendant

In Testimony whereof I have  
hereto set my hand and affixed  
the seal of said Circuit Court, at  
Dixon in said County of Lee this  
fifteenth day of January A.D. 1849  
Charles T. Chase Clerk

Clerk's fee. Making Transcript 6192 wads - \$10.75  
Certificate seal 50  
\$11.25 settled

by E. Southwick defendants atty

C. T. Chase Clerk

Richard W. & Brent

vs

James Rodgers

Ejectment.

It is hereby agreed by and between the parties to this suit by their respective attorneys duly authorized that upon filing with the clerk of the Supreme Court at Ottawa Illinois the within mentioned transcript or record which is the transcript or record of the above case of Richard W. & Brent by James Rodgers that the above entitled cause may be entered upon the docket of said Supreme Court, and that upon <sup>the</sup> second day of the sitting of said Supreme Court (the commencement of the session of which is upon the first Monday of February next) the appearance of both the said Brent and Rodgers by their respective attorneys hereto may be duly entered in said Court and the said cause on the said second day of the term of said Court set down for a hearing or as soon thereafter as the Court aforesaid will hear the arguments therein. And it is hereby further agreed that the issuing <sup>and serving</sup> of all writs and processes in this cause be entirely waived and the said Supreme Court without requiring the same to have jurisdiction of the above ~~case~~ <sup>entitled</sup> cause upon the filing in said Court the said transcript or record.

Dated at Free Lee County Illinois  
January 15<sup>th</sup> 1849.

Deaton & Noble  
attys for Plaintiff  
C. Southerick attorney  
for said Defendant.

James Rodgers plaintiff in error  
vs  
Richard W. H. Brent defendant in error  
Supreme Court of Illinois  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grand Division Ottawa  
Ill.

1<sup>st</sup> Now Comes the said plaintiff in error by Southwick & Cook & Glover his attorneys and assigns, the following errors appearing upon the record in this case

- 1<sup>st</sup> The Court erred in admitting in evidence the deed from Jesse Bowman & Anna Bowman to Richard W. H. Brent.
- 2<sup>d</sup> The Court erred in excluding the certificate of George Mifflin Register of the Land office of the date of August 20<sup>th</sup> 1847 from the jury.
- 3<sup>d</sup> The Court erred in excluding the copy of assignment from Samuel M. Bowman to Jesse Bowman dated 5<sup>th</sup> of April A.D. 1843, together with the certificate of Richard M. Young Commissioner of the general Land office which were offered in evidence by the defendant Rodgers.
- 4<sup>th</sup> The Court erred in excluding the record of the judgment in favour of Henry F. Rodney and William Rodney

against Bowman & Lane which was offered in evidence by the defendant Rodgers.

5<sup>th</sup> The Court erred in excluding the Execution and the Sheriff's return thereon which was offered in evidence by the defendant Rodgers.

6<sup>th</sup> The Court erred in excluding the Sheriff's Deed which was offered in evidence by said Rodgers.

7<sup>th</sup> The Court erred in refusing to allow the witness Erasmus De Wolf to testify in answer to the interrogatories proposed by said Rodgers.

8<sup>th</sup> The Court erred in admitting improper evidence on the part of said Brent and excluding proper evidence which was offered by said Rodgers.

9<sup>th</sup> The Court erred in rendering the judgment aforesaid upon the verdict of the Jury aforesaid.

Book & Glover &  
E. Southwick atty  
for said Rodgers.

And now comes the said defendant in Error and says that there are no such errors in said record & proceedings as are above alleged. He therefore prays that said judgment may

He affirmed

C. S. Seland, and  
Mr. Heaton for Dfr

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James Rodgers

vs

Richard W. H. Brent

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Record

Filed June 11. 1849.  
St. Helens Clk.

Assignment of errors  
filed June 12. 1849.  
St. Helens Clk.

James Rodgers

vs

Richard W. H. Brent

State of Illinois, ss.

Supreme Court, Third Grand Division, at Ottawa:

The People of the State of Illinois, to the Sheriff of Lee County --- Greeting:  
WE COMMAND YOU, That of the goods and chattels, lands and tenements, and real estate of

Richard W. H. Brent

you cause to be made the sum of forty five dollars and  
twenty one cents costs in the said Supreme Court, which

James Rodgers

lately recovered against him - before the Justices of our said Supreme Court, as appears to  
us of record, and make return hereof in ninety days.

WITNESS, the Hon. SAMUEL H. TREAT, Chief Justice  
of our said Court, and the Seal thereof, at Ottawa,  
this eighth day of August  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and forty seven.

L. Deland Clerk of the Supreme Court.

<sup>26</sup>  
Supreme Court

James Rodgers  
vs  
Richard W. A. Brent

Execution

Bill of Costs 45.21  
Fee Bill 3.31 $\frac{1}{4}$   
Amt. \$48.52 $\frac{1}{4}$

This Execution returned satisfied in full  
~~Aug 11~~ 1850  
Came to James Goble  
11 day Aug 80 Sheriff

Filed May 13. 1850.  
Deland Clk.

Rec<sup>d</sup> Jan'y 1<sup>st</sup> 1850 Eleven dollars &  
Twenty five cents for the making out of the  
Execution in the within case made out of the  
To which I have attached an agreement  
with Clerk by an out court - E. Southwick

By notice of the within

Rec<sup>d</sup> on the within  
Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1849  
J. H. Goble

Wm. Goble

Supreme Court, 3<sup>d</sup> Grand Division - June Term 1849.

James Rodgers

vs

Error to Lee.

Richard W. H. Brent Defts. Costs -

Ent. appu. 25,	fil. jmdw 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ,	fil. agreement 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ,	.37 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bill of costs 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ ,	Copy 25,	cutf. seal 50,	1.31 $\frac{1}{4}$
Supp. rtn. 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ,	Satsp. 25,	Sh. fee 1.25	1.62 $\frac{1}{2}$
			Am't. \$3.31 $\frac{1}{4}$

State of Illinois, ss.

Supreme Court—Third Grand Division, at Ottawa:

The People of the state of Illinois to the sheriff of Lee county---Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, that of the goods and chattels, lands and tenements of Richard W. H. Brent you cause to be made the sum of three dollars and thirty one and four cents, the amount of the foregoing bill, which is due and unpaid, and is a true copy from the Fee Book in my office; and hereof make due return in ninety days.

WITNESS, the Hon. SAMUEL H. TREAT, Chief Justice of our said Court, and the Seal thereof, at Ottawa, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1849.

S. Leland Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Supreme Court.

James Rodgers

vs  
Richard W. H. Brent

Fee Bill am \$3.31 $\frac{1}{4}$

Filed May 13, 1850.  
Melanck Ct.

Pleas before the Honorable Thomas C. Browne one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Minn. and Presiding Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit in said State of which said Circuit the County of Lee was a portion; said it remembered that at a term of the Circuit Court in said County of Lee held upon the second Monday of September one thousand eight hundred and forty two before the Honorable Thomas C. Browne aforesaid of the Judge of the said Circuit Court aforesaid in said County of Lee the following proceedings were had in said Court to wit as appears by the records thereof

Henry F. Rodney & William Rodney merchants partners doing business under the name firm & style of H. F. & W. Rodney

Monday  
September  
~~18~~ - ~~1842~~

vs  
Samuel M. Bowman & Charles A. Lane late partners merchants doing business under the name firm & style of Bowman & Lane

At present

This day came the said plaintiffs by Edward Southwick their attorney legally authorized by the

by the said dependents as per their power  
of attorney on file in this cause and  
confessed them to be indebted to the said  
plaintiffs in the sum of twelve hundred  
and ninety seven and seventy six cents  
being the sum mentioned in said power  
of attorney and requested that judgment  
be entered against them for the same  
whereupon it is considered by the court  
that the said plaintiffs have and  
recover of the said dependents the  
said sum of twelve hundred and  
ninety seven dollars and seventy six  
cents together with their costs by them  
about this suit in this behalf expen-  
ded and that they have execution  
therefor

State of Illinois  
Lee County Ill.

I Charles J. Chase  
Clerk of the Circuit

Court in and for said

County of Lee do hereby certify that the  
foregoing order appears of record in my  
office and is the same record of a judgment  
which was made part of a ~~judgment~~  
bill of execution in a cause which was  
tried at the August term of the Lee  
County Circuit Court aforesaid  
being an action of Ejectment ~~wherein~~  
which trial was on the <sup>twenty fourth</sup> day of  
August, one thousand eight hundred

and forty eight the Plaintiff in which  
said action of Ejectment was Richard  
W. H. Brent and the Defendant was James  
Rogers and that it also appears by the  
records in my office that the foregoing  
order was duly entered upon the twelfth  
day of September one thousand eight  
hundred and forty two.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and the seal of said Court  
at Dixon in said County the 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
June A.D. 1849

Charles J. Chase Clerk.

Dixon June 26<sup>th</sup> /49

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Yours Truly  
E. Southwick

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\$ 286.10

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<u>7 1/2</u>	115.60	
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<u>24</u>	69.90	
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<u>16</u>		
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<u>353</u>		
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504		15
608	656	410
<u>576</u>	82	82
232	14.76	13.30

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JUN 27 1849

Messrs Cook & Glover  
attys at Law  
Ottawa  
La Salle Co.  
Ill.

Filed June 29. 1849.  
L. Kiland Clk.

Supreme Court, 3<sup>d</sup> Grand Division = June Term 1849.

James Radgus  
vs Error to See

Richard W. D. Brent

~~Appellate costs~~ = Supps. Costs

Fil. transcript 20, Dh. cause 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Ent. apper. of Pff. 25,	.57 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fil. memo 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ , Ent. jointer 25, writ of error fil. 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ , apper. of fil. 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ ,	1.31 $\frac{1}{4}$
Sag. tr. of Discretion 25, Ord. for certiorari 25, Fil. audit. to error 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ,	.56 $\frac{1}{4}$
Fil. 4 abstrats. 25, Ent. argt. 25, Ent. subm. 25, Ord. taking time 25,	1.00
Ord. revq. 25, Ord. remedy. 25, Fil. opinion 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ,	.56 $\frac{1}{4}$
Ent. judt. & opinion 82 fol. 14.76, Copy of judt. & opinion 12.30,	37.06
Copy. & seal 50, Ent. judt. for costs 25, Ord. for cost. 25,	1.00
Execution 50, fil. & Dh. 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ , Supps. wtr. 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ , postage 20,	1.01 $\frac{1}{4}$
Bill of costs 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ , copy 25, sat. pr. 25, Transcript. &c. 11.25,	12.12 $\frac{1}{2}$
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	Amnt. \$ 45.21

A true copy from my fee book as taxed & recorded therein.

Island Clk. Sup. Court.

Rodgers vs Brent  
Bill of costs \$45.21



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James Rogers

vs  
Richard McW Brent

} State of Illinois  
} Supreme Court  
} 3rd Grand Division  
} June Term Ad 1849

B. Cleverly atty for the plaintiff in error  
Having sworn states on oath that the  
whole ~~reference~~ <sup>proceedings</sup> in this case ~~do~~ <sup>does</sup> not appear in  
the record filed in this Court that a  
material portion of the <sup>record of the</sup> Judgment which  
was offered in evidence by the defendant  
in the Court below and the whole of  
which was made a part of the bill of  
exceptions, is omitted in copying  
into the record filed in this Court and  
he prays for a writ of certiorari directing  
the said Clerk to send up a complete  
record  
B. Cleverly

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me June 20, 1849.

Richard Clark

Rodgers & Brant  
Oppelt & Co. Cartier

Fitch June 20. 1849.  
L. S. Clark Co.