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No. _____

Supreme Court of Illinois

Wilhite

vs.

Pearce

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In the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois
First Grand Division

James S. Wilhite Et al }
vs } Error to Crawford
Zadock A. Pearce Et al }

Assignment of Errors in this Cause

The Plaintiffs in Error herein
say there are manifest errors and
informatives in the record and proceedings
in this cause of which the record is filed in
this vic;

1st The said Bill of complaint is
wholly insufficient to entitle the Com-
plainants to the relief sought or to any
relief whatever inasmuch as it is
not shown in the character of the
lien claimed to be due said trustees;
nor are they made parties in said
proceeding; Authorities see Statute
of 1858 page 160 Sec 3 Illinois Repts Vol
23 page 36 Chaffin & Hirs vs Kimble
Vol 27 page 22 Wintelman et al vs Hirs et al

2nd There is a decree pro confesso
against J. P. Murphy, one of the Defendants
to said proceeding petition without
first having obtained proper and
legal service of process upon him
Gilman reports volume 3rd page 47 to

McCall et al vs Lisher et al

3rd The decree of said Court is erroneous because the court does not therein find or decree that there is any sum whatever due said trustees or that they have any lien on said lands for any sum whatever

Illinois reports vol 23 page 47 to 9 Loyd et al vs Malone et al

4th The order confirming the report of the Master in chancery is erroneous because the said report does not show a proper disposition of the funds arising from the sale of said real estate

~~See record 1st to 4th page lines from 4 to 112~~
Statute of 1858 page 168 Sec 11

5th The decree of the court is erroneous because the record does not show that Zadock A. Pearce Louisa J. Pearce Joseph N. Stanford and Eliza Stanford or any of them were children or heirs at-law of Enoch Wilhite decd

See record 1st to 4th page lines from 4 to 112
Illinois Statute of 1845 page 400 Sec 2^d

6th The decree of the court is erroneous because the record does not declare or contain evidence against the unions to sustain the decree Illinois reports vol 23 page 36 Chaffin vs heirs of Hamble

And Illinois reports Vol 33 page 182
Wayne et al vs Robins

For these and many other errors
manifest in said record the Plaintiffs
in error ask that proper process
may issue, and that the parties
Zadock A. Pearce, Joseph N. Stanford
and Cliffe Stanford may be made
defendants thereto and required to
defend in this action

J. P. Barlow and
J. H. Albright
Attys for Plffs in error

And the defendants in error say that
manifest error hath not returned in
the record and proceedings of the
said.

E. Pollock

Atty

1 To the Hon^{ble} Alfred Mitchell sole
2 Judge of the 25th Judicial Circuit in and for
3 the County of Crawford in Chancery sitting
4 your Orators Gedoe A. Peere of the County
5 of Crawford and State of Illinois and Louisa
6 Jane his wife. Show unto your Honor that
7 on or about the day of 18th June
8 Willite late of said County departed this life
9 intestate and that he did seized of the following
10 described real Estate situated in the said Co-
11 =unity of Crawford in the State of Illinois to wit:
12 Commencing at the north west corner of Section
13 twenty nine in Township eight North of Range
14 Eleven west and running thence East on the
15 Section line to a parallel line with the Town
16 Plat of the town of Hutchinson. thence laid off
17 By Robert Harrison. thence in a southerly
18 direction, with the western side of the laid
19 off Lots of the said town of Hutchinson to a
20 stake on the north side and at the west-
21 end of Court Street. thence South with the
22 west line of Land known as the McLeod
23 Lot to Lands formerly owned by John Musgrave
24 now Preston & Barlow's addition to the Town
25 of Hutchinson at or near the west end of
26 Mechanic Street. thence in a westwardly direction
27 with the line of the said land formerly owned by John
28 Musgrave to Lands formerly owned by William Mc-
29 =Coy now owned by John R. Hurst. thence in a

30 North westerly direction along the line of said lands
 31 owned by said J. N. Hurst and the line of land now
 32 owned by Mary Callahan until it strikes the
 33 West line of said section twenty nine at a point
 34 fifty rods South of the place of being thence
 35 North to the place of being containing one hundred
 36 and ten acres more or less. Subject however to
 37 Lien in favor of the Trustees of Schools of Town
 38 Seven Range Eleven in the County of Crawford
 39 and State of Illinois, amounting in principle
 40 and interest to the sum of nine hundred dollars
 41 and fifty eight cents, four Orators further
 42 shew unto your honor that the said Snow
 43 Wilhite did leaving the following children
 44 his at law John M. Wilhite James S. Wittals
 45 Milton A. Wilhite, William C. Wilhite Joshua
 46 B. Wilhite, Louisa Jan intermarried with
 47 Zadoc A. Pearce, Elen intermarried with
 48 Joseph N. Stanford and
 49 intermarried with Anderson Murphy, that
 50 the said Joshua B. has since died leaving Au-
 51 -ra W. Wilhite and Lula Wilhite his children
 52 and his at law, that the said
 53 who intermarried with Anderson Murphy
 54 has since died leaving J. P. Murphy, ^{Mary Murphy} and
 55 John Murphy her children and his at law
 56 that the said Elen who intermarried with
 57 Joseph N. Stanford has since died leaving

58 Cliffe Stanford her child and her at Law
 59 Subject however to the aforesaid Lien upon said
 60 Lands. Your Prayers show unto your Honor
 61 that the said James S. John M. Milton H.
 62 William C. Wilhite, and the said Cliffe Stanford
 63 in right of the said Ellen deceased and your
 64 Prayers in right of the said Louisa Jane would
 65 each be entitled to one eighth part of said Lands
 66 that the said Currah and Lula Wilhite would
 67 each be entitled to one sixteenth part - Thirdly
 68 in right of their Father the said Joshua B. deceased
 69 that the said J. P. Murphy, Mary Murphy
 70 and John Murphy would each be entitled
 71 to one twenty fourth part - Thirdly in right
 72 of their said Mother deceased, your Prayers
 73 pray that the said John M. Wilhite, James
 74 S. Wilhite, Milton H. Wilhite William C. Wilhite
 75 J. P. Murphy Mary Murphy John Murphy
 76 Currah Wilhite Lula Wilhite and Cliffe
 77 Stanford be made parties defendant hereto
 78 and that they and each of them be required to answer
 79 all and singular the matters and things hereinbefore
 80 stated and charged as fully and particularly as if
 81 the same were hereinafter repeated and they thereunto
 82 specially interrogated (the necessity of which said answer
 83 being under Oath is hereby waived) and that the
 84 Court will appoint a guardian ad litem to defend
 85 for William C. Wilhite, John Murphy, Currah Wil-
 86 hite Lula Wilhite and Cliffe Stanford who

47 are minors without guardian and that process
 48 may issue &c

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 90 Your Orators further shew unto your
 91 Honor that there is no funds belonging to the
 92 estate of the said Enoch White deceased out of
 93 which to discharge and pay the said Lien in favor
 94 of the said Trustees of Schools against the said
 95 Lands. That in the opinion of your Orators
 96 said Lands exceed in value the amount of
 97 the said Lien. Your Orators therefore pray
 98 that on a final hearing of this ^{cause} Court your
 99 Honor will cause to be entered & record
 100 an Order or decree of this Honorable Court
 101 directing and ordering that a sale be made
 102 of the said Lands and premises under the
 103 direction of the Court. And that the proceeds
 104 of such sale be first applied to the discharge
 105 of the said Lien and the payment of costs
 106 and that the remainder of such proceeds
 107 shall be divided and distributed according to
 108 the respective rights of the parties as herein set
 109 forth. And your petitioners pray that the
 110 Court will grant such other and further
 111 relief special and general as may be con-
 112 sistent with the Laws of the Land and
 as in duty bound will ever pray &c

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E. Callahan

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Atty for Petitioners

115 State of Illinois }
116 Crawford County } ss

117 Before the undersigned Personage appeared
118 J. A. Pearce and Louisa J. Pearce and being
119 first-duly sworn state that the matters and
120 things stated and set forth in the foregoing
121 petition so far as the same are stated from
122 their own knowledge are true in substance
123 and in fact - and the several matters and
124 things as derived from the information of
125 others they believe to be true
126 Subscribed and sworn to {

127 Before me this 13^d day of Dec } J. A. Pearce
128 1860 } Louisa Jane Pearce
129 E. Callahan J. P. }

130 (With the following endorsement - thereon)
131 Filed in my office this 13^d day of December
132 A. D. 1860 } Hiram Johnson Clerk

133 Circuit Court Summons

134 State of Illinois }
135 Crawford County } ss

136 The people of the state of Illinois, to
the Sheriff of said County Greeting.
137 We command you that you summon J. M.
138 Wilhite, J. S. Wilhite, M. H. Wilhite William H.
139 Wilhite and Cliffe Stanford if they shall be
140 found in your County personally to be and appear
141 Before the Circuit Court of said Crawford County
142 on the first day of the next term thereof

143 to be holden at the Court-house in Robinson
 144 in said Crawford County on the fifth Monday
 145 of April 1861 to answer unto the matters and
 146 things contained in a certain bill in Chancery
 147 exhibited in our said Court against them by
 148 J. A. Pearce and Larisa J. Pearce

149 And have you them and there this writ
 150 with an endorsement thereon in what manner you
 151 shall have executed the same

Witness Hiram Johnson Clerk of
 our said Court and the seal thereof at
 Robinson aforesaid this 13th day of December
 A.D. 1860

Hiram Johnson Clerk

Seal

(With the following endorsement thereon)

154 I executed this writ by delivering a true copy
 159 of the same to the within J. M. Wilhite J. S.
 160 Wilhite, M. H. Wilhite, W. C. Wilhite and Clifton
 161 Stafford this 2nd day of March 1861
 162 Fees being 2.50 Milage (60) 3.00 } William Pravill, Shff
 163 Return 10 \$5.00 } by Chester H Knight Depty
 164 State of Illinois
 165 Crawford County

166 The People of the State of Illinois to the
 167 Sheriff of Moultrie County Greeting
 168 We command you that you summon
 169 Oscar Wilhite Lula Wilhite if they shall
 170 be found in your County Personally to be and

171 appear before the Circuit Court of Crawford
 172 County on the first day of the next term
 173 thereof to be holden at the Court-house
 174 in Robinson on the first Monday in the
 175 month of April 1861 to answer the matters and
 167 things contained in a certain bill in Chancery
 177 exhibited in our said Court against them
 188 by J. A. Pearce and Louisa J. Pearce and
 179 have you them and them this writ; and
 180 make return thereon in what manner you
 181 execute the same

Execd

Witness Hiram Johnson Clerk of our
 said Circuit Court at Robinson
 this 13th day of December in the
 year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-
 = dred and sixty

Hiram Johnson c.c.c.

189 With the following endorsement thereon)
 189 Duly executed the within by leaving a true copy
 190 of the within with Arran Wilhite and Lucy
 191 Wilhite and informing them of the contents of
 192 the within this 28th day of December 1860

193 Fees for serving \$1.00 ^{16 miles} mileage 80. riding 10
 194 \$1.90 Samuel P. Earp Sheriff
 195 of Montra County Illinois

State of Illinois
 Crawford County - ss }

198 The people of the State of Illinois to the
 199 Sheriff of Lee County Greeting;

200 We command you that you summon J. P.
 201 Murphy, John Murphy, and Mary Murphy
 202 if they shall be found in your county personally
 203 to be and appear before the circuit court
 204 of Crawford County on the first day of the
 205 next term thereof to be holden at the court-
 206 house in Robinson on the fifth Monday
 207 in the month of April 1861 to answer the
 208 matters and things contained in a certain
 209 Bill in Chancery exhibited in our said
 210 Court against them by J. A. Pearce and
 211 Louisa J. Pearce. And ~~to~~ have you then
 212 and there this writ and make return thereon
 213 in what manner you execute the same

214 Witness Hiram Johnson Clerk of our
 215 said Circuit Court at Robinson
 this thirteenth day of December in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty
 Hiram Johnson c.c.c.

Seal

219 Which has the following endorsement thereon,
 220 served the within writ by reading the same
 221 in the presence and hearing of an to the with-
 222 in named John Murphy and Mary J. Murphy
 223 and by leaving a copy of this summons with
 224 each of them the within named J. P. Murphy
 225 not found in my county

Aaron L. Partin Sheriff
 and by Charles M. Newman Deputy

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 Fee same & copy 150
 Mail & Postage 15
 Return
 Served January 22^o 1861 Recd \$1.00 cash 50cts Postage &

230 Circuit Court - Summons

231 State of Illinois

232 Crawford County

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Seal

The people of the State of Illinois

To the Sheriff of Ogle County greeting:

We command you that you summon J.P.

Murphy if he shall be found in your County

personally to be and appear before the Cir:

Court ^{of} said Crawford County on the first

day of ~~the~~ the next term thereof to be holden at

the court house in Robinson in said Crawford

County on the fifth Monday of April 1861

to answer unto the matters and things contained

in a certain bill in Chancery exhibited in our

said Circuit Court against him Et al. by

J. A. Pearce and Louisa J. Pearce, and

have you them and there this writ with an

endorsement thereon in what-manner you

shall have executed the same

Witness Hiram Johnson Clerk of our said

Court and the seal thereof at Robinson

of said this 12th day February A.D. 1861

Hiram Johnson Clerk

253 (with the following endorsement thereon.)

State of Illinois

Ogle ~~Crawford~~ County

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I have duly served the within

by reading the same to the within named

J.P. Murphy in his presence and hearing

this 18th day of March A.D. 1861

259 as I am therein commanded

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John A. Hughes Sheriff
By A. J. Elar Deputy Sheriff

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For service 50 mileage 100 return 10 — 160

262 Crawford Circuit Court April Term

263 A. D. 1861 - 2^d day

264 Zadore A. Pearce

265 and Louisa Jane Pearce

266 vs

Chancery

267 J. M. Wilkitt J. D.

268 Wilkitt M. H. Wilkitt

269 Mrs. C. Wilkitt and

270 Cliffe Stanford

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And now at this day come

272 the said Complainants by E. Callahan this

273 solicitor and it being suggested to the court

274 that some of the defendants are minors

275 under the age of majority The court appoi-

276 nts S. Hayward Esq. Guardian ad

277 litem for said infant-defendants and

278 allows the said Guardian ad litem three

279 dollars for his services

280 (Answer of Guardian)

281 State of Illinois

282 Crawford County ss } Crawford circuit court

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April Term 1861

284 J. A. Pearce and wife }

285 vs

Chancery

286 J. D. Wilhite et al

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The undersigned having been duly ap-

288 -pointed Guardian ad litem to litigate and defend

289 herein for William C. Wilhite John Murphy and

290 -rah Wilhite Lula Wilhite Cliff Stanford Mi-

291 -ners accepts the trust and hereby waives

292 the issuing and service of Process for this said

293 words and enters this appearance herein and

294 answering says that of the correctness of the

295 allegations in said complainant's bill he has

296 no knowledge and no means of ascertaining

297 that whether admitting or denying the same

298 he asks that the complainants be held to

299 strict proof, and the rights of said unions

300 be protected by this court - having fully

301 answered asks to be discharged with

302 his reasonable costs &c

Filed May 6th 1861

J. Hayward

304 Hiram Johnson Clerk

Guardian ad litem

305 J. Adoe A. Pearce and Louisa

306 J. Pearce his wife

307 vs

Chancery

308 James S. Wilhite, John M. Wilhite,

Crawford Cir

309 Milton H. Wilhite, William C. Wilhite,

Court April

310 J. P. Murphy, John Murphy, Mary Murphy,

Term 1861

311 Leah Wilhite Lula Wilhite and

312 Cliff Stanford

313 This cause come on for hearing on this day upon
314 bill exhibits and testimony, and the Defendants having
315 failed to appear answer plead or demur to
316 the bill of the said Plaintiffs except as to William
317 C. Wilhite, ~~and~~ Mark Wilhite Lula Wilhite
318 John Murphy and Cliffe Stanford infant
319 defendants herein who answer by Horace
320 Hayward their Guardian at-titine, On
321 motion of the Plaintiffs Counsel it is ordered
322 that plaintiffs be taken for confessed as
323 against the said Defendants who are not
324 infants and the Court being fully advised
325 in the premises do the Order adjudge and
326 decree that the Lands described in the
327 Plaintiffs bill be sold as prayed for in the
328 bill of the said Plaintiffs and that the proceeds be
329 applied first to the payment of and discharge of
330 the Lien on said Lands in said Plaintiffs bill of
331 Complaint mentioned and that the Master in
332 Chancery be ordered to make such sale on the
333 premises for cash in hand after having
334 first given notice of the time and place of
335 sale by posting up written or Printed notices
336 of such sale at four of the most Public
337 places in the County of Crawford and one
338 other such notice posted on the door of
339 the Court-House in Robinson at least
340 four weeks before the time of such sale
341 and that the Master in Chancery

342 Out of the proceeds of such sale to pay
 343 and discharge to the Trustees of Town of
 344 Maple Grove west in Crawford County
 345 Illinois or to their assigns the amount of
 346 the said Lien on said Lands and to dis-
 347 tribute the balance remaining in his hands
 348 according to the respective rights of the parties
 349 to wit: to John M. Wilhite James D. ~~Wilhite~~
 350 Milton H. and William C. Wilhite in their
 351 own right: to your Petitioners in the right
 352 of the said Louisa J and to Clippie Stanford
 353 in right of his said Mother Elm Stanford
 354 died one eight-part-they to each of
 355 them: to the said Wren and Lula Wil-
 356 hite one sixteenth part each in right of
 357 their Father Joshua B. Wilhite deceased
 358 to the said J. P. Murphy, Mary Murphy
 359 and John Murphy one twenty fourth part
 360 each in right of their said Mother de-
 361 ceased and that he make a report of
 362 his actings and doings in the premises
 363 to the next term of this court to
 364 which time it is ordered that this cause
 365 stand continued

(Master's report as follows to wit:)

367 Zadoc A. Pierce & Louisa Jane his wife

368 vs

369 James D. Wilhite, John M. Wilhite,

370 Milton H. Wilhite, William C. Wilhite.

371 J. P. Murphy James Murphy May }
 372 Murphy Susan Wilhite Lula } Chancery
 373 Wilhite and Cliff Stanford }

374 To the Honorable James C. Allen
 375 Sole Judge of the 25th Judicial Circuit of the
 376 State of Illinois in and for the County of
 377 Crawford in Chancery Setting.

378 The undersigned Master in Chancery in
 379 and for the County of Crawford and State of
 380 Illinois, begs to report to your Honor, that
 381 after having advertised the time terms and
 382 place of Sale of the real Estate in said Com-
 383 plaintant's bill mentioned and referred to
 384 in the decree of this Court rendered at the
 385 April term 1861 in the above entitled Cause
 386 for ~~about~~ ^{at least} four weeks prior to the time
 387 of Sale by posting up written notices thereof
 388 at four of the most Public places in
 389 the said County of Crawford and one other
 390 such notice on the door of the Court-
 391 House in Robinson in said County,
 392 I did on the 20th day of July A.D. 1861
 393 Between the hours of ten o'clock A.M. and
 394 five o'clock P.M. of said day and in pursuance
 395 of said advertisements expose to Public Sale
 396 for cash in hand on the premises all of the
 397 said Lands and premises in said Complainant's
 398 bill described as follows to wit: Commencing
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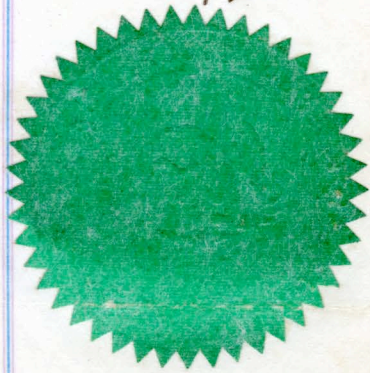
- 400 at the North West Corner of Section twenty
 401 Nine in Township Eight North of Range eleven
 402 west in Crawford County, Illinois and running
 403 thence east on the section line to a parallel
 404 line with the Town Plot of the Town of Watsonville
 405 last laid off by Robert Harrison thence in a
 406 southerly direction with the western side
 407 of the laid off lots of the said Town of Wat-
 408 sonville to a stake on the north side and
 409 at the west end of Down Street, thence
 410 south with the west line of land
 411 known as the McGraw lots to land
 412 formerly owned by John Musgrave now
 413 Preston & Barlow's addition to the Town of
 414 Watsonville at or near the west end of
 415 Mechanic Street. Thence in a westerly direction
 416 with the line of the said lands formerly
 417 ~~by~~ owned by John Musgrave to lands formerly
 418 owned by William McCoy now owned by John
 419 N. Hurst thence a north westerly direction
 420 along the line of said ~~land~~ lands owned by said
 421 J. N. Hurst and the line of land now owned
 422 by Mary Callahan until it strikes the west
 423 line of said section twenty nine at a point
 424 fifty rods south of the place of beginning thence
 425 north to the place of beginning, containing one hun-
 426 dred and ten acres more or less and that Joseph
 427 N. Stanford and Zadoc A. Pearce having bid
 428 at such sale for said lands above described
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431 the sum of one thousand dollars and that
 432 being the highest and best bid therefor the
 433 said lands were by me struck off and
 434 sold to the said Joseph H. Stanford and
 435 Zadoc A. Pearce for one thousand dollars
 of which they have paid me in cash the sum of eight hundred and fifty
 cents ~~and fifty cents~~ and the said Trustees of
 437 Schools of Town Seven Range Eleven West-
 438 in said County, in whose favor said Lien
 439 in Complainant's bill mentioned as existing
 440 upon said lands, after the commencement
 441 of this action herein by this deed released and
 442 quit claimed and assigned to the said Stanford
 443 and Pearce all the rights title and interest of
 444 in and to the said premises of the said Trustees
 445 and ^{their} receipts in office and that I have allowed
 446 the said Stanford and Pearce to retain of their
 447 bid the sum of nine hundred and eighty
 448 dollars and fifty cents the amount of said
 449 Lien and the interest due thereon to be in dis-
 450-charge of said Lien to them as the assignees
 451 of the Trustees aforesaid and that I therefore
 452 executed and delivered to the said Joseph H.
 453 Stanford and Zadoc A. Pearce a deed of con-
 454-veyance for said lands and premises all
 455 of which is respectfully submitted and the
 456 said Master further asks to be allowed for
 457 his services herein the sum of Twenty four
 458 Dollars.

E. Colahan Master in Chancery

459 Which report is approved and confirmed
 460 by the court and said Master allowed
 461 the sum of \$24.00 for his services herein
 462 and it is further ordered by the court that
 463 E. Callahan Esq. be allowed the sum of
 464 Forty dollars for attorneys fee in this
 465 Cause

466 State of Illinois
 467 County of Crawford
 468 I Siry B Allen clerk
 469 of the Circuit Court within and for
 470 the County and State aforesaid do hereby
 471 certify that the foregoing is a true full
 472 correct and complete transcript of all
 473 the Papers and orders of Court entered
 474 in the above case now on file in
 475 this Office



476 Witness Siry B. Allen clerk
 477 and the Seal of said Court
 478 at Robinson this 4th day of
 479 May AD 1867
 480 Siry B Allen clerk

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James S. White et al

vs

Edw. A. Pease
et al -

Record

Filed by Albright &
Barlow - May 9 - 1867
St. Johnston N.H.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

First Grand Division, State of Illinois.

JUNE TERM, A. D. 1867.

JAMES S. WILHITE, MILTON H. WILHITE, }
WILLIAM C. WILHITE, J. P. MURPHY, }
AURA WILHITE, LULA WILHITE, AND }
MARY MURPHY, Plaintiffs in Error, }
vs. } Error to Crawford.
ZADOK A. PEARCE, LOUISA JANE }
PEARCE, JOSEPH R. STANFORD, AND }
CLIFFE STANFORD, Defendants in Error. }

ABSTRACT.

The following is an abstract of the facts contained in the record in this cause, to-wit:

The petition shows that Zadok A. Pearce and Louisa Jane Pearce, his wife, filed their petition against John M. Wilhite, James S. Wilhite, Milton H. Wilhite, William C. Wilhite, Aura Wilhite, Lula Wilhite, J. P. Murphy, Mary Murphy, John Murphy, and Cliffe Stanford, in which it is alleged that Enoch Wilhite died seized of certain real estate in Crawford county, Illinois. In the Circuit Court of which county said petition was filed immediately prior to the April term of said Court, A. D. 1861, in which petition it was alleged that these defendants and said Louisa Jane Pearce were the heirs at law of said Enoch Wilhite, deceased, but it is not averred in said petition that they are the only heirs of said Enoch Wilhite, deceased. And it further shows that said lands descended to the heirs of said Enoch Wilhite, subject to a lien in favor of the Trustees of Schools of Township Seven of Range Eleven, in the county of Crawford, State of Illinois, amounting to \$950 08, and averring that said real estate is of greater value than the amount of said lien, and then prays a sale of the lands to pay said lien, and for a distribution of the residue. See record, pages 1 to 4, line 4 to 112 inclusive.

The record further shows that process was properly served on all the defendants except J. P. Murphy, who, it shows, was only served by reading, and not by delivering a copy. See record, pages 9 to 10, line 230 to 261 inclusive.

The record further shows that there is no averment in the petition stating that Ellen, who intermarried with Joseph R. Stanford, or Cliffe Stanford, were heirs at law of Enoch Wilhite, deceased, and there is no averment in said petition showing that Louisa J. Pearce or Zadok A. Pearce are heirs at law of said Enoch Wilhite, deceased, and there is no averment in said petition stating in what manner or from what source they obtained

any right or interest in said real estate. See pages of record from 1 to 4, line 1 to 112 inclusive.

The record further discloses the fact that E. Callahan acted as Justice of the Peace, before whom the complainants made oath to their said petition, as solicitor for the complainants, and also as master in chancery to make sale of said real estate and distribution of the proceeds of said sale.

The record further discloses the fact that at the April term, 1861, the bill of complaint, except as to the infant defendants, was taken for confessed and the Court decreed that said lands in the petition described should be sold by the master, and out of the proceeds of said sale the master should first pay and discharge the lien of said trustees, and then distribute the residue. But the decree does not show in any way what the amount of such lien was, if any; nor does the petition or decree show the nature or character of such lien, so as to enable the master to know what amount he should pay to said trustees to discharge said lien, if any there was; nor does the Circuit Court find that any such lien had any legal existence. See record, pages 12 and 13, line 313 to 365 inclusive.

The record further shows that said land was sold by the master in chancery for one thousand dollars, and that the same was purchased by Joseph R. Stanford and Zadok A. Pearce, who were permitted by said master to retain nine hundred eighteen dollars and fifty cents, as the amount of said pretended lien, out of the purchase money, under the pretence that the trustees of said township had by their deed released and quit claimed to said purchasers their interest in the premises. See record, pages 14, 15 and 16, line 371 to 458 inclusive.

J. P. BARLOW and
J. K. ALBRIGHT,

Att'ys for Pl'ffs in Error.

ASSIGNMENT OF ERRORS.

The plaintiffs in error herein say there are manifest errors and informalities in the record and proceedings in this cause of which the record is filed in this, viz:

1st. The said bill of complaint is wholly insufficient to entitle the said complainants to the relief sought, or to any relief whatever, inasmuch as it is not shown in the character of the lien claimed to be due said trustees; nor are they made parties in said proceeding.

2d. There is a decree *pro confesso* against J. P. Murphy, one of the defendants to said petition, without having first obtained proper and legal service of process upon him.

3d. The decree of said Court is erroneous, because the Court does not therein find or decree that there is any sum whatever due said trustees, or that they have any lien on said lands for any sum whatever.

4th. The order confirming the report of the master in chancery is erroneous, because the said report does not show a proper disposition of the funds arising from the sale of said real estate.

5th. The decree of the Court is erroneous, because the record does not show that Zadok A. Pearce, Louisa J. Pearce, Joseph R. Stanford, Ellen Stanford, and Cliffe Stanford, or any of them, were children or heirs at law of Enoch Wilhite, deceased.

6th. The decree of the Court is erroneous, because the record does not declare or contain evidence against the minors to sustain the decree.

For these and many other errors manifest in said record, the plaintiffs in error ask that proper process may issue, and those parties, Zadok A. Pearce, Louisa J. Pearce, Joseph R. Stanford, and Cliffe Stanford, may be made defendants thereto and required to defend in this action.

J. P. BARLOW and
J. K. ALBRIGHT,

Att'ys for Pl'ffs in Error.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

State of Illinois, First Grand Division.

JUNE TERM, A. D., 1867.

JAMES S. WILHITE, MILTON H. WILHITE, }
WILLIAM C. WILHITE, J. P. MURPHY, }
AURA WILHITE, LULA WILHITE, AND }
MARY MURPHY, Plaintiffs in Error. }
vs. } Error to Crawford.
ZADOK A. PEARCE, LOUISA JANE }
PEARCE, JOSEPH R. STANFORD AND }
CLIFFE STANFORD, Defendants in Error. }

BRIEF OF AUTHORITIES RELIED UPON IN THIS CASE.

1st Error. Statute of 1858, page 160, sec. 3. Illinois Reports, vol. 23, page 36. Chaffin and heirs vs. Kimble. Ill. Reports, vol. 27, page 22.

Winkelman, *et al.* vs. Kiser, use, etc.

2d Error. Gilman Reports, 2d vol., page 47. McCall, *et al.* vs. Leshner, *et al.*

3d Error. Illinois Reports, vol. 23, page 47 to 9. Loyd, *et al.* vs. Malone, *et al.*

4th Error. Statute of 1858, page 161, sec. 11.

5th Error. See record, 1st to 4th page, lines from 4 to 112. *Statute of 1845 page 112*

6th Error. Illinois Reports, vol. 23, page 36. Chaffin vs. Heirs of Kimble. Illinois Reports, vol. 33, page 182. Waugh, *et al.* vs. Robbins.

J. P. BARLOW and

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Attorneys for Plaintiffs in Error.

In Supreme Court 1st Grand Division
June Term 1867

James S. Wilhite et al

vs

Zadok A. Pearce et al

Error to Crawford

Replication to 5th Plea of
Statute of Limitations

The said plaintiffs in error
to the said plea of said defendants in
error say they ought not be
barred of their action of said
because they say that within a
less period of time than five years
the said cause of action accrued
to them for the reason that within
five years previous to the issuing
of said writ of error the said plaintiffs
in error and each of them were minors
under the age of twenty one years
and that said cause of action did accrue
to the said plaintiffs in error within five
years before the issuing of said writ of error
of said and this they are ready to verify

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J. P. Barlow
J. K. A. Bryant
for Pliffs in Error

William C. Willits et al

vs

Zadock A. Pearce et al

Error to Crawford

June Term A.S. 1867

Affidavit filed in support of replication of Plaintiffs in Error to Plea of statute of Limitations & Personage appeared J. P. Barlow who being duly sworn according to Law deposes and says that William C. Willits one of the Plaintiffs in Error in this cause was a minor at the time of the rendition of the said decree against him in the court below but arrived at the age of twenty six years ~~of age~~ on the first of the present month June A.S. 1867 and that he did not arrive at the age of majority five years next preceding the issuing out of this writ of Error.

He further testifies that John Murphy one of the Defendants in the court below has departed this life since the entry of the decree in the court below and before the issuing out of this writ of Error, that he died some time during the year of 1863, and that provided he were now living his right of action would not be barred by the statute of Limitation on account of the lapse of time, that he died without heirs other than the Plaintiffs in this Writ of Error who are all his heirs

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J. S. White et al
vs
Zadock A. Pease et al

Supreme Court June
Term A.D. 1867

Application and
Affidavit, to
Plea of Statute of Limitations
of ~~defendants~~

Stevens vs Pease
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et al and that his rights would be
and to them. He in his life time having
made no disposition of the same
Subscribed to and sworn
to before me June 7 1867
A. S. Huntington Clerk
J. S. Pease

In Supreme Court

June Term A.D. 1868

James S. Nichols et al
vs
Error to Crawford
& A. Pierce et al

In this case the plaintiffs in error ask the Court to appoint James P. Barlow next friend for infant plaintiffs in error

Section 13 of the Statute ~~XI, VII~~ Guardian and Ward (Purple Statute Page 596) provides that "minors may bring suits in all cases whatever by any person they may select as their next friend; and the person so selected shall file bond * * * for all the costs that may accrue and legally devolve upon such minor. The next friend is to be selected by the infant, not appointed by the Court and this should be done and the bond for costs filed in the Court ~~before~~ before the writ of error is sued out.

In the case of Meloy adm et al vs Morris 4 Gilman 382, it is said "If an infant sues out a writ of error he

he should do so by his next
friend" and that friend it is
submitted should be selected
~~before~~ and before the writ is
sued out, and thus not having
been done the writ should be
dismissed

Callahan

atty for drafts w error

Supreme Court
June Term 1868

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James S. White et al
vs
Gadlock & Peerce

Suggestions of drift
in error against the
motion of plffs to op
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for before plaintiffs

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No. 4

James S. White

et al

vs

Zadok A. Pense

et al

Motion to remove
the writ of error

filed 5th June 1858.
R. H. Williams
Clerk

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of the June Term A D 1867 of
the Supreme Court First Grand
Division of the State of Illinois
Gadako A Pearce, Louisa Jane Pearce &
Joseph R Stanford & Cliffe Stanford

vs

James S White, Milton W White
White, William C White, J. P. Murphy
Anna White, Luke White and
Mary Murphy

Eron

Crowford

and the said

~~depts in error~~
deftless by E Callahan their attorney
came and defended because
they say that more than five years e-
lapsed between the rendition, by the
Circuit Court, of the final decree
in this cause and the setting out
of the writ of error in this cause
and that the right of the plaintiffs to
maintain this writ of error did
not accrue within five years
next before the issuing of said
writ of error. And thus the said
deft in error are ready to verify
wherefore they pray judgment

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Deft in error

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Filed, June 4. 1867
N. Johnston Clk

of the June Term A.D. 1867 of The Supreme
Court of the State of Illinois

James S. Melhite et al
vs
Error to Crawford
Gaddock & Pearce et al

Objections to the motion of Plffs in
error to strike the plea of estoppel in error
from the files of this cause

The motion of Plffs in error to strike
this plea from the files is based on
the 24th Rule of this Court which pro-
vides that "When a motion is ^{intended to be} based
on matters which do not appear by
the record, the facts must be disclosed
and supported by affidavit"

The plea filed is the Statute of Lim-
itations. It appears from the record
that James S. Melhite Milton H. Melhite
and J. P. Murphy three of the plaintiffs
in error were adults at the time the
final decree was rendered by the Cir-
cuit Court at its April Term A.D. 1861
and "It appears from the record" that
the plea writ of error was not sud-
ant until May 9th 1867.

The last order made in the case

by the Circuit Court as this Court
was at the October Term A.D. 1868, more
than five years before suing out the
writ of error herein. But this is a
mere formal order from which
error does not lie.

If it be objected that some of the
pleffs ^{in error} were infants at the time of the
 rendition of the decree and that their
right to sue out a writ of error may
have accrued within five years
before the issuing of the writ of error
then that fact should be shown by
a replication to the Plea and
even then the writ must be dis-
missed. The authority in 4 Gilman
page 317 is decisive on this point.

Would it not be reasonable, on the
other hand to presume that the in-
fancy of the infants defendants still
continues, and hence could only
sue out a writ of error by Guardian
or prochein amicus.

All the facts stated in the plea
do appear by the records.

Query - Does this rule apply to pleas
regularly filed in a case in order
to make up an issue of fact, or
is it applicable to motions only
as its language seems to indicate

Walter H. Callahan

Atty for Dept. in Error

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Supreme Court
June Term A.D. 1867

James B. Wilkitt et al
vs
Gadash A. Pearce et al

Error to Crawford

objections by Defts in error
& offers motion to strike
a plea from the files

Filed, June 6. 1867.
N. Johnston cly

C. C. Colman cly

In the Supreme Court
State of Illinois, First Grand Division
In and against the person of
James S. Volhite
et al. Respondents

vs
Gadock & Sons
et al. Petitioners & Respondents

And the said Anna
Volhite and Lula Volhite come
and suggest to the court that
they are Plaintiffs in error
without guardian or next
friend and that the error is
prosecuted for their benefit
and ask leave of the court
to amend by James B. Barlow
being made a party to the writ
of error as their next friend
he & file Bond for all cost, they
paying all cost heretofore accrued
Authorities

Blood by his next friend W. Harrington
Page 552 Pickings Mass reports 8 vol
Statute of Profails, R.S. page 57
Sec 125

J. P. Barlow
Attorney
Plaintiffs in error

Illinois Reports Vol 22
page 140 Stamp as Kelly

State of Illinois }
Jefferson County }

James P. Barlow
being by and duly sworn
states on oath that Anna
& Julia White are parties
to the record & beneficial parties
to the writ of Quorum & are
now minors -

James P. Barlow

Subscribed & sworn to before
me this 3d day of May
A.D. 1868

R. D. Wittmiller
Clerk

No 4
James S. Wilkitt et al
vs

Zadock A. Pearce et al

Motion

John June 3-1868
R. L. D. Melbank dr

delivered the opinion of the court
in Case Ch. J. This was a proceeding
in Chancery in the Circuit Court
~~granted~~ by Jacob A. Pease and Louisa
Jane his wife against John M. Wilhite and
others as heirs at law of Enoch Wilhite deceased,
for the partition of certain real estate, of
which, it was alleged, Enoch Wilhite died
seized and possessed.

Process was duly served on all the
defendants except J. P. Murphy, who was
served by reading. Numerous sons of the
defendants, ^{was} infants under the age of 21, namely,
William C. Wilhite, John Murphy, Anna Wilhite,
Sala Wilhite and Cliff Stanford for whom
a guardian ad litem was appointed.

A formal answer was put in by the
guardian ad litem for the infants. The
adult defendants took a default, and
the bill was taken as confessed as against
them including J. P. Murphy, and the court
decided that the lands described in the
petition be sold, and the proceeds applied
^{first} to the payment and discharge of the lien on
the lands mentioned in the bill of complaint,
and the balance paid over to the parties
entitled.

To remove this decree the defendant
Sally J. Milton H. William C. Anna, Sala
Wilhite and J. P. Murphy and Mary Murphy

bring the record here by writ of error, making
Ladok R. Peace Loina Jane Peace
Joseph R. Stanford and Cliff Stanford
defendants thereto.

Various errors are assigned, the most
important of which are, that the evidence
on which the decree was made, is not
presented in the record, and no evidence
to charge the various defendants was
heard, and further that J. P. Murphy was
not duly served with process, and the judgment
pro confesso against him was
therefore, irregular.

The Statute ^{regulating} ~~in~~ proceedings
in Chancery partition provides by section 6
that the parties shall have notice of the
application by summons only served. Statutes
Comp. 181. By section 7 of the Chancery
code, it is provided that notice of summons
shall be made by delivering a copy thereof
to the defendant, or leaving such copy at his
usual place of abode with some white
person of the family of the age of ten years
or of years, and informing such person of
the contents thereof. Ibid. 139

As J. P. Murphy, was not thus served
with the summons, and as he did not
enter an appearance, the decree a =

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Judgment here was erroneous, Norman vs DeLoe,
28 W. 317. Ditch vs Edwards 1 Scan. 127. Smith vs Phelps ib. 331

It is the well established doctrine of this Court, that the facts on which a decree is based must appear somewhere, in the record, either by bill of exceptions or by recital in the decree, that certain facts were found. It must appear from the record that the Court heard evidence and found the allegations of the bill to be true. Davis vs Davis 30 Me. 180.

A most important fact alleged in the petition was, that the land brought to partitioned was subject to an incumbrance to ^{in favor of the trustees of} ~~the~~ ^{of a certain district} ~~its~~ value, and not a particle of proof was adduced of the fact, nor is it ~~to~~ recited in the decree that such an incumbrance in fact existed. For this reason also the decree is erroneous.

A decree passed against the infants defendants without any proof to charge them. Nothing can be admitted, but every thing a party must be proved against an infant. Hitt vs Bonaboe 12 Me. 166 Kamietta vs Kilman ib. 266. Tuttle vs Gorant 16 ib. 354 Reddick vs State Bank 27 ib. 148. And whether the guardian ad litem answers, or not, the record must furnish proof to sustain a decree against an infant. MacLellan vs Whitwood at 18 ib. 48 Chaffin vs The Heirs of Kimball 23 ib. 36. Fibbs vs Allen 27 ib. 129.

The Court seemed to have found the amount
of the lien and that it was ^{then} ~~the~~ ~~rights~~,
and if referred to the Master to ascertain
the amount he seemed to have reported
his finding to the Court for approval.
The Master had no right to adjudicate
on this question.

It appears from the record
that the Solicitor who drafted the
bill for partition, was the Master
in Chancery, ^{to whom the case was referred,} ~~and~~ ~~he~~ was not a
proper person to act as the Master
in the case of his clerk. ~~He~~ ^{It} was
unreasonable and improper to refer
the case to him. It seemed to have
gone to a Special Master. White vs
Haffner 27 ib. 349.
The word also means that
Arvids his allowance of twenty
four dollars for his services as
Master, the Court allowed him
eighty dollars ^{for} his ~~services~~ ^{as}
Solicitor. This was also erroneous.
Evans Sharon vs Sharon decided
January Term 1868 and Evans vs Evans
June term 1868. Adams vs Payson
11 M. 20. Condit vs Masters 22
ib. 456. The decree must be reversed
and the cause remanded.

Hillbush et al.

vs

Peace et al.

opinion

Ben Ch. J.

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In the Supreme Court, Just
Grand Division

June Term A D 1867

James S. Wilkins et al

vs

Error to Crawford

Gaddock A Pearce et al

And the said defendants in error
say that the said replication of pliffs
in error to the plea of the Statute of
Limitations introduced in this case
by depts ~~in error~~ and the matters
therein contained in manner and
form as the same are therein stated
and set forth, are not sufficient
in law

And the said depts in error shew
to the Court here the following special
causes of Demurrer to said replica-
tion. That is to say

1st Because it is Argumental

2^d Because in stating that five years
previous to the issuing of the writ of
error said pliffs in error were under
the age of twenty one years. It shews
no right in the female depts who
were of ^{ages} ^{ages} or eighteen years of age

3^d And also that it is in other respects
uncertain, insufficient & informal
By E. Calverly Atty

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Superior Court
June Term 1867

Wheeler et al
vs
Pearce et al

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In the Supreme Court

June Term A.D. 1868

James S. Wilhite, Milton H. Wilhite
Mellon G. Wilhite, J. P. Murphy
Anna Wilhite Lulu Wilhite
and Mary Murphy Plffs in error

vs

Radok A. Pearce Louisa Jane
Pearce, Joseph N. Stamford
and Bluffe Stamford Defs
in error

Error to Crow

ford

The plaintiffs in error have amended their writ by striking out the names of James S. Wilhite, Milton H. Wilhite, J. P. Murphy and Mary Murphy who were shown by the record to be adults, at the rendition of the decree of the circuit court and of course barred by the Statute of Limitations, which is pleaded by the defendants in error. The case of Moore et al vs Capps & Gilman 315 presents a case like this and in that case the Court held that the joint writ of those barred by the Statute and of the infants not barred must be dismissed and that those who were within the saving clause of the Statute must resort to their separate writs of error to reverse the decree. Under this authority the writ in this case should be

dismissed

The plaintiffs in error filed their petition "to amend their writ" and to appoint Mr. Borlow next friend for the infant plaintiffs in error. The petition does not inform the court in what respect the writ was to be amended. The court in deciding the motion made no mention of the writ, and the defendants in error do not understand that any leave was granted to amend the writ and that the amendment should not have been made

I called for depts
writ

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Milchiter et al
vs

Pearce et al

Cipe
motion to dismiss
with error

filed 5th June 1858
R. H. Williams
clerk

Supreme Court 1st Grand Division
June term AD 1867

Withitt et al

vs

{ Error to Crawford
Pearce et al }

Plea of the Statute of Limitations
by Defts in error

Motion by plaintiffs in error to strike said
Plea from the files

The plaintiffs in error suggest as
reasons in sustaining said motion

1st
"

That the record shows the parties plaintiffs
in error to have been minors at the time
of the rendition of the Decree in the court
below (See record Pages 384 line 43 to 48)

2nd
"

That this Court cannot presume that said defend
ants below have been barred in this action by
the Statute of Limitations without any ev-
idence either in the record or by affidavit
to support said Plea

3rd
"

That there is no evidence in the record to
sustain said Plea (See record)

4th
"

That said Plea is not supported by affidavit
(See Plea on file)

Allynt & Bailon

attys for plffs in error

White et al

vs

Pease et al

Suggestions to sustain
motion to strike plea
of statute of limitations
from the files

Filed, June 6. 1867
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J. S. White et al

vs

Badwell A. Pearce et al

Error to Crawford

Term A.D. 1867

In the Supreme Court - first Grand
division of the State of Illinois.

In support of motion to strike
Plea of Statute of Limitations from the
files of this Court, Appeared J. P.
Barlow who after being duly sworn
according to Law deposes and saith
that John Murphy one of the Defendants in
the Court below departed this life
some time during the year of 1863
since the rendition of the decree in
the Court below and before the
suing out of the Writ of Error
from this Court in this cause,
and that all of the Plaintiffs in
this cause are his heirs at Law,
and his rights belong and survive
to them, he in his life time having
made no disposition of the same he
having died ^{leaving no Parrels} without issue ^{and without even} ~~from~~ having
been married. He further testifies
that provided the said John Murphy
deceased was now living that his
rights would not be barred by the
Statute of Limitations, because he

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Superior Court
June Term A.D. 1867

J. S. White et al
vs
Zadock A. Pearce et al

} Error to Circuit

Affidavit of J. P. Warburton
in support of motion
to strike Plea of statute
of Limitations from the
files of this Court

Filed, June 6, 1867
A. Johnston Clk

Warburton & DeLancaster
before me, June 6, 1867,
New York City

J. P. Warburton

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of age at this time full of about 1000000

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

First Grand Division, State of Illinois.

JUNE TERM, A. D. 1867.

JAMES S. WILHITE, MILTON H. WILHITE, }
WILLIAM C. WILHITE, J. P. MURPHY, }
AURA WILHITE, LULA WILHITE, AND }
MARY MURPHY, Plaintiffs in Error, } Error to Crawford.
vs.
ZADOK A. PEARCE, LOUISA JANE }
PEARCE, JOSEPH R. STANFORD, AND }
CLIFFE STANFORD, Defendants in Error. }

ABSTRACT.

The following is an abstract of the facts contained in the record in this cause, to-wit:

The petition shows that Zadok A. Pearce and Louisa Jane Pearce, his wife, filed their petition against John M. Wilhite, James S. Wilhite, Milton H. Wilhite, William C. Wilhite, Aura Wilhite, Lula Wilhite, J. P. Murphy, Mary Murphy, John Murphy, and Cliffe Stanford, in which it is alleged that Enoch Wilhite died seized of certain real estate in Crawford county, Illinois. In the Circuit Court of which county said petition was filed immediately prior to the April term of said Court, A. D. 1861, in which petition it was alleged that these defendants and said Louisa Jane Pearce were the heirs at law of said Enoch Wilhite, deceased, but it is not averred in said petition that they are the only heirs of said Enoch Wilhite, deceased. And it further shows that said lands descended to the heirs of said Enoch Wilhite, subject to a lien in favor of the Trustees of Schools of Township Seven of Range Eleven, in the county of Crawford, State of Illinois, amounting to \$950 08, and averring that said real estate is of greater value than the amount of said lien, and then prays a sale of the lands to pay said lien, and for a distribution of the residue. See record, pages 1 to 4, line 4 to 112 inclusive.

The record further shows that process was properly served on all the defendants except J. P. Murphy, who, it shows, was only served by reading, and not by delivering a copy. See record, pages 9 to 10, line 230 to 261 inclusive.

The record further shows that there is no averment in the petition stating that Ellen, who intermarried with Joseph R. Stanford, or Cliffe Stanford, were heirs at law of Enoch Wilhite, deceased, and there is no averment in said petition showing that Louisa J. Pearce or Zadok A. Pearce are heirs at law of said Enoch Wilhite, deceased, and there is no averment in said petition stating in what manner or from what source they obtained

any right or interest in said real estate. See pages of record from 1 to 4, line 1 to 112 inclusive.

The record further discloses the fact that E. Callahan acted as Justice of the Peace, before whom the complainants made oath to their said petition, as solicitor for the complainants, and also as master in chancery to make sale of said real estate and distribution of the proceeds of said sale.

The record further discloses the fact that at the April term, 1861, the bill of complaint, except as to the infant defendants, was taken for confessed and the Court decreed that said lands in the petition described should be sold by the master, and out of the proceeds of said sale the master should first pay and discharge the lien of said trustees, and then distribute the residue. But the decree does not show in any way what the amount of such lien was, if any; nor does the petition or decree show the nature or character of such lien, so as to enable the master to know what amount he should pay to said trustees to discharge said lien, if any there was; nor does the Circuit Court find that any such lien had any legal existence. See record, pages 12 and 13, line 313 to 365 inclusive.

The record further shows that said land was sold by the master in chancery for one thousand dollars, and that the same was purchased by Joseph R. Stanford and Zadok A. Pearce, who were permitted by said master to retain nine hundred eighteen dollars and fifty cents, as the amount of said pretended lien, out of the purchase money, under the pretence that the trustees of said township had by their deed released and quit claimed to said purchasers their interest in the premises. See record, pages 14, 15 and 16, line 371 to 458 inclusive.

J. P. BARLOW and
J. K. ALBRIGHT,

Att'ys for Pl'ffs in Error.

ASSIGNMENT OF ERRORS.

The plaintiffs in error herein say there are manifest errors and informalities in the record and proceedings in this cause of which the record is filed in this, viz:

1st. The said bill of complaint is wholly insufficient to entitle the said complainants to the relief sought, or to any relief whatever, inasmuch as it is not shown in the character of the lien claimed to be due said trustees; nor are they made parties in said proceeding.

2d. There is a decree *pro confesso* against J. P. Murphy, one of the defendants to said petition, without having first obtained proper and legal service of process upon him.

3d. The decree of said Court is erroneous, because the Court does not therein find or decree that there is any sum whatever due said trustees, or that they have any lien on said lands for any sum whatever.

4th. The order confirming the report of the master in chancery is erroneous, because the said report does not show a proper disposition of the funds arising from the sale of said real estate.

5th. The decree of the Court is erroneous, because the record does not show that Zadok A. Pearce, Louisa J. Pearce, Joseph R. Stanford, Ellen Stanford, and Cliffe Stanford, or any of them, were children or heirs at law of Enoch Wilhite, deceased.

6th. The decree of the Court is erroneous, because the record does not declare or contain evidence against the minors to sustain the decree.

For these and many other errors manifest in said record, the plaintiffs in error ask that proper process may issue, and those parties, Zadok A. Pearce, Louisa J. Pearce, Joseph R. Stanford, and Cliffe Stanford, may be made defendants thereto and required to defend in this action.

J. P. BARLOW and
J. K. ALBRIGHT,

Att'ys for Pl'ffs in Error.

James S. Wilhite et al
vs

Gadok & Pearce et al

Error to Crawford

Abstract &
Assignment of errors

made defendants' errors and referred to be held in this action.

James S. Wilhite, Joseph B. Starnford, and Charles Starnford, may be

in error and that proper names may issue, and those parties, James A.

not being or contain evidence against the parties to maintain the justice

of the Court is erroneous, because the record does

not show that James A. Pearce, Joseph A. Pearce, Joseph B. Starnford,

the party against whom the writ of error was granted.

of the order containing the report of the master, in substance is

not shown that in fact that there is any such a party as the said James

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IN THE SUPREME COURT.

State of Illinois, First Grand Division.

JUNE TERM, A. D., 1867.

JAMES S. WILHITE, MILTON H. WILHITE,
WILLIAM C. WILHITE, J. P. MURPHY,
AURA WILHITE, LULA WILHITE, AND
MARY MURPHY, Plaintiffs in Error.

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PEARCE, JOSEPH R. STANFORD AND
CLIFFE STANFORD, Defendants in Error.

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BRIEF OF AUTHORITIES RELIED UPON IN THIS CASE.

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