

Fayette County Court September Court 1849.

"On the motion of Elizabeth L. Todd widow
and relict of Robert S. Todd deceased, adminis-
tration of all and singular the goods and chattels
Right and Credits of Robert S. Todd deceased
is granted unto her, and thereupon she took
the oath required by Law; and together with
David L. Humphreys her surety entered into
and acknowledged bond in the penalty of
Sixty Thousand Dollars, Conditioned according
to Law."

A True Copy att: James A. Grinstead Corr

Copy Order
Qual of Court
of Prob. Socy Secd
Filed Sept
23^d 1850
Mo. & Reddick

In 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft

Examined

Dodd

Zor ^{Exhibit} in Hill.
Dodd Atty

W. Beck Atty

The deposition of William H Rainey taken before James L Allen Commissioner in the suit in chancery of George R C Todd against R S Todd adm² and others. Taken on behalf of the administration.

The deponent being of lawful age and first duly sworn deposes that deponent has been acting as clerk of Oldham Todd Esq since 1842. He knows that five shares of Kentucky Bank stock which stands in the name of R S Todd belongs to Oldham Todd Esq and was kept in the name of R S Todd to qualify him as a Director in the Branch Bank in Lexington.

While I was a merchant in this place, and after the death of Dr Brown, W R S Todd told me that there was some money which his wife received from Dr Browns estate, which was to be invested in some silver ware. I was requested to purchase it in Philadelphia, and did so. I dont remember the particular articles of silver ware. My impression is that it was engraved on them that they were presented to Mrs Todd by Dr Brown. It has been some time since and my memory is not minute as to the particular. Whatever engraving is on them was put on at Philadelphia and by the direction of R S Todd. I have heard R S Todd since in conversation allude to what he received from Dr Brown and that it was invested in this silver ware. My impression is that the amount I invested was over two hundred dollars.

WILLIAM H RAINES ad

Also the deposition of George W Stewart taken at the same time & place for the same purpose.

Deponent by of lawful age & first duly sworn deposes & says.

That about eight or ten years ago Robert S Todd came into my store and purchased a Silver Pitcher, which ^{he} told me was a present to his wife, and he directed me to have it engraved and to carry it down to his wife and present to her. W Todd went that afternoon to Frankfort. Deponent had the Pitcher engraved as directed, and carried it down that evening to Mrs Todd, and

handed it to her as a present from her husband. It was in
the winter. On examining my book, I find that he must have
been made the purchase ~~the~~ about the 1st January 1843. No entry
was made of the purchase, but on W. Todd's return from Frankfort
he came in and gave me a four months note for the price, but
told me he would pay it himself. He paid it some weeks afterward
I find the payment was the 25 January 1843. The price was
\$ 125⁰⁰

Geo W Stewart

Also the deposition of David C Humphreys taken at the same
time & place for the same purpose.

The deponent being first duly sworn deposith. That before the
death of deponents mother Dr Brown promised to give to my mother
and my sister Mrs E L Todd ^{her Miss & S Humphreys} a lot in the town of Florence. In making
the deed, he made it to my mother without mentioning my sister
at all. After her death, I as her Executor sold the lot to
Col Percy for \$510 as I think. Knowing the design of Dr Brown
I with the ~~agent~~ of the three other heirs of my mother, gave my
sister one half the proceeds of said sale. I think I also gave her
one fourth of the other half, she being entitled to one fourth of
my mother estate under her will. I am not however certain as to
this other fourth, but am as to the half. This money was
handed to W. R S Todd to be laid out in Silver ware for
my sister, which he promised to have done. I have frequently
seen the silver ware since it was purchased by W. Rainey
The engraving on that purchased by W. Rainey is "E L Todd
Presented by Dr Samuel Brown." This engraving is on the
larger pieces of Silver ware. I do not know how it was on
the spoons & forks, I don't remember to have looked.

I am Executor of my mother. It will appear by her will
that all my mothers servants were to be free at a certain age
Jane was one of my mothers servants deeded to the use of my

Sister Mrs Todd. Jane is now free by the provisions of ^{the} will, and was
free as I think at Mr. Todd's death or about that time, John Tim Lee
and Mary Ellen are children of Jane & entitled to freedom by my mother
will on arriving I think at 20 years of age. Alfred was another of
my mother slaves, and Mrs Todd was entitled to one fourth of his hire
only. He will be entitled to his freedom ~~next~~^{on the 25th December next} year. The Bill of sale
of Lucy and Sam Field are to me as Trustee for Mrs E L Todd, and
purchased with her money.

There was on the farm in Franklin County a home which
belonged to the firm of Oldham Todd &c. and was not inventoried
but sent to the firm, and was sold in the sale of the firm
property.

I have purchased with the money of Mrs E L Todd in my hands as
Trustee, ~~the~~^{the} home, a dozen chairs, the articles contained in the bill hereto
annexed of \$99³⁰ also a carpet. ^{one of the house did for \$3.00 apiece up above the others} Some of the
articles purchased ^{with} her money, were sold at the sale of R S Todd's estate.

The metallic fruit baskets called silver in the Bill, were only
plated, were sold at the sale for Eighty ^{xvi} cents to Mr. Harris as appears
by the sale bill. So also a plated urn was sold as appears from the
sale Bill at \$3⁰⁰

D. C. Humphreys

Depositions

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The deposition of John M Martry taken at the office of
the Commissioner Thomas W Bullock in the case of ~~G R C T~~
G R C Todd &c against R S Todd's administrator & his and
in the case R S Todd's heirs v R S Todd's widow & heirs
on behalf of the defendants

The deponent being of lawful age & first duly sworn deposes
and saith.

To question by defendants. Are you acquainted with the
dwelling house & improvements on Short Street in the city
of Lexington, which was known as R S Todd's, adjoining the
lot on which Mr Parker resided, if you do state your
opinion as to their probable cost at the time they were
built, whether or not you are the present owner of said
house & the lot on which it stands, and whether or not
you are a master builder -

Answer. I do not know the period at which the house
was built. I first knew the house in 1833 and lived in it
with Gideon Shryock. It then appeared to be ten or fifteen
years old. Estimating the cost by the present prices, I don't
think that the house out houses & fence could be put there
for less than ~~less~~ five thousand dollars. I think that ~~it~~ would be
a low estimate for it. I am the present owner of the house
& lot and purchased it from the children of R S Todd by his
first wife, to whom it was allotted in the division of Parker
heirs, and in allotting it ~~to~~ the improvements were not taken
into estimation. I gave five thousand dollars for the lot
& improvements. I am an undertaker for the erection of buildings

Cross examined - States that he does not know what the
improvement on the lot would have cost at the time
they were erected. The lot without the improvement would
be worth now about Two Thousand dollars; at the
time of M^t Todd's death the improvements
were worth about twenty-five hundred
dollars

Subscribed & sworn to before me

Thos W Bullock Comr^r

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Dodd Geo. R.C.

" Copy Bill

Dodd Adm^r & C

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Fee \$1.00

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Pair of Chen

1 Cane

1 Plate Red Glaze
Meat in Smoke

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not have a few hours,
of coffee & a few hours
of sugar.

Bought with my money
Bacon of breakfast
for dinner

23 tea Spoons

1 pair Sugar Tong

4 Salt Peppers

1¹/₂ Table Spoons -

Chairs

Jane 31 Jan Hald

John 13 Abtig^t

Hannah " bought by
Dad

Mary Eliza " "

Lucy W. bought by Dad

Letter 23

Do the Hon. Judge of the Fayette Circuit Court in Chancery sitting. Your Orator George R.C. Dodd would respectfully state that on the day of July 1849, his Father Robert S. Dodd died intestate leaving a Widow named Elizabeth S. Dodd, who was on the 11th day of Sept 1849 appointed his Administrator by the Fayette County Court & leaving also the following Children as his only heirs & representatives. Do wit: Ninian Edwards & Elizabeth P. Edwards his Wife late Dodd - William Wallace & Frances J. Wallace his wife, late Dodd - Abraham Lincoln & Mary A Lincoln his wife, late Dodd - Clark A Smith & Ann M. Smith his wife late Dodd - Levi C. Dodd These together with your Orator constituting his Children & the husbands of his daughters by first Marriage. By his Second Marriage he left the following named Children & representatives Do wit: Charles Kellogg & Margaret Kellogg his wife late Margaret Dodd - Samuel B. Dodd, David D. Dodd, Martha K. Dodd, Emily Dodd, Alexander Dodd, Jane Dodd, Catharine Dodd, the seven last named heirs being infants under the age of 21 years.

Your Orator states that said Robert S. Dodd left a large estate real & personal in the Counties of Fayette & Franklin, his Real Estate consisting among other things of a house & lot in the City of Lexington where he resided prior to his death & about places of land in Franklin County adjoining the tract of land now in the possession of his Widow, this property from its nature & the number of the heirs of said Robert S. Dodd, cannot as he believes be divided & that it will be necessary to sell said real estate & divide the proceeds thereof among the persons entitled thereto, subject of course to the Widows right of dower therein. He further states

an inventory was made out of the personal property in both of the Counties of Fayette and Franklin produced by the Administratrix aforesaid by Commissioners appointed by the Fayette County Court, and a greater portion of the property embraced in said inventories has been sold by the said Administratrix. He files herewith as part of this Bill the order of the Fayette County Court granting Letters of Administration to the said Elizabeth L. Dodd as aforesaid, and also the inventories and Sale Bills above referred to, and makes them as exhibits No 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

Your orator charges that the inventories and Sale Bills aforesigned to, do not truly set forth the amount of the slaves & personal property of the said Robert S. Dodd, but are erroneous in this point; that the inventory of the property in Lexington does not contain a quantity of Silver Plate which came into the hands of said Administratrix as part of the personality of said estate; Consisting of Silver spoons, Knives, fruit Dishes, Waiters forks &c other articles not now recollect'd of the value of \$ 800. all of which said articles the said Administratrix has retained and appropriated to her own use, without in any way account for them or their value; And said inventory also contains a small quantity of Silver Plate valued at \$ 35, bought at the sale by said Administratrix for which there is no credit then given to the estate on the sale bill.

Your orator further charges that a portion of the slaves Stock Cattle and Horses belonging to said Robert S. Dodd and being on his farm in Franklin County were not given in to the Appraisers, nor sold at the sale of his property in said County, nor has any disposition whatever been made of the Slaves, all of whom remain in the possession of the Administratrix.

He does not know the name of the Slaves nor the number or description of the Stock, not put upon said inventory nor sold at the sale, and he requires the Administratrix to set forth specifically, the number and names of the Slaves which were upon the Franklin farm, or in any way under the control of Robert S. Dodd at the time of his death. Also all the stock

of every description which Robert S. Dodd had either on his farm or anywhere else at the time of his death, and to set forth her reason for not having said Slaves and Stock appraised as a part of the Estate of R. S. Dodd deceased. And he requires her to set forth and account for all the Silver plate belonging to said Robert S. Dodd's estate, as well that portion of said plate which she has failed to have appraised as that portion which was appraised and sold not accounted for, in the sale bill, with the character and description of all of it.

Your orator charges that said Administratrix has made no settlement of the estate before the Commissioners of the Court. He requires her to make a settlement forthwith, and to show why she has failed to account for the Silver plate Slaves and Stock as above set forth; and he requires her to set forth specifically the amount of property of every kind which she has retained as the Widow of R. S. Dodd or in any other way and the value of each article specifically, since he charges that the personal property retained by her is much larger in quantity and greater in value than she is allowed by Law to retain. He requires her to state specifically if the Inventory which she has filed as Administratrix contains a full and correct list of the personal property in the possession and under the control of the said Robert S. Dodd at the time of his death; and if said Inventories and Sale Bills do not contain an account of all of said property, he requires her to set forth each article not contained therein, and the value thereof, and to account for it.

He charges that said Administratrix has since the death of said Robert S. Dodd sold one of his slaves, and he requires her to account for the money received for said Slave, he is informed that it was not necessary to sell said Slave for the purpose of paying off the debts of the Estate and that said Slave ought not to have been sold by her.

Wherefore in as much as to the end he makes Elizabeth L. Dodd Administratrix of Robert S. Dodd deceased, and

Ninian W. Edwards and Elizabeth P. Edwards his wife, William Wallace and Frances J. Wallace his wife, Abraham Lincoln, and Mary A. Lincoln his wife, Clarke M. Smith, & Anna M. Smith his wife, Charles E. Kellogg and Margaret S. Kellogg his wife and Daniel F. Dodd all of whom except the Adams are nonresidents of the State of Kentucky, and the last named an infant; Levi A. Dodd, Samuel B. Dodd, Martha K. Dodd, Emily Dodd, Alexander Dodd, James Dodd, Catharine Dodd, the last five infants, defendants to this Bill, and requires them and particularly the said Administratrix Elizabeth L. Dodd to answer upon oath all and singular the statements allegations and charges therein contained, as if again put by way of special interrogatory. He prays that the House and Lot and the Tract of Land above set forth be sold and the proceeds thereof divided, and that the Willow be allowed her dower therin which he prays may be allotted to her, unless she consents to a sale of the whole, in which event he is willing that a sum equal to her dower may be paid her in lieu thereof, he prays that she be required to account for all the slaves and their value, the Stock of every description, the Silver Plate and other personal property of Robert S. Dodd which she has failed to return an account for in the inventories and Sale Bills of the Estate returned by her, and on final hearing he prays that his portion of the estate be paid over to him. He prays process, Warnings orders, Guardians ad litem &c and for such other and further relief general & special as the equity of his Case entitles him to & as is duty bound he will ever pray &c. Shy & Dick. PZ

A. Copy At Tho. S. Head & Co
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property of Robert S. Todd, which she has failed to return an
account for in the inventory & sale bills of the estate returned
by her. & at final hearing he prays that his partition of the estate
be paid over to him. He prays process warning, orders, garnishment and
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as the equity of the case entitles him to & as is duly known
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To the Hon. Judge of the Fayette County Court in behance setting.

Your Orator George H. C. Todd would respectfully state that on the day of July 1849 his father Robert S. Todd died intestate leaving widow named Elizabeth L. Todd who was on the 11th day of Sept 1849 appointed his administrator by the Fayette County Court & leaving as the following children as his only heirs & representatives Court Hinman Edwards & Elizabeth B. Edwards his wife late Todd. William Wallace Francis J. Wallace his wife late Todd. Abraham Lincoln & Mary A. Lincoln his wife late Todd. Clark A. Smith & Ann M. Smith his wife late Todd. Levi P. Todd. these together with your Orator constituting his children & the husbands of his daughters of his first marriage. By his second marriage he left the following named children & wife Charles Kellogg & Margaret Kellogg his wife late Margaret Todd. Samuel B. Todd. David G. Todd. Martha K. Todd. Emily Todd Alexandra Todd. Jane Todd. Catharine Todd. the seven last named being infant under the age of 21 years.

Your Orator states that said Robert S. Todd left a large estate of personal in the counties of Fayette & Franklin his real estate consisting among other things of a house & lot in the city of Wright where he resided prior to his death & about 40 acres of land in Franklin County adjoining the tract of land now in the possession of his widow. the property from its nature & the number of heirs of said Robert S. Todd cannot as he believes be divided so that it will be necessary to sell said real estate & divide the proceeds thereof among the heirs entitled thereto. subject of course to the widow's right of dower therein. He further states an inventory is made out of the personal property in both the counties of Fayette & Franklin produced by the administrators officers by commissioners appointed by the Fayette County Court & the greater portion of property embraced in said Inventories has been sold by the administrators. The file herewith as part of this Bill the order of the Fayette County Court granting letters of administration of the Elizabeth L. Todd as agreed also the inventories & sale bills are referred to the marks & exhibits No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

You Prata charges that the Inventories & sale Bill above referred to, do not truly set forth the amount of the slaves & personal property of the said Robert S Todd, but an erroneous in the inventories that the inventory of the property in his estate does not contain a quantity of silver plate which came into the hands of said administrator as part of the pecuniary of said estate, consisting of ^{silver} spoons, cans, fruit dishes, waiters, forks & other articles not now recollectable of the value of \$ 800. all of which said article the said administrator has retained & appraised to her own use, without in any way accounting for them or their value, & said inventory also contains a small quantity of silver plate valued at \$ 35. bought at the sale by said administrator for which there is no credit given the estate on the sale bill.

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You Prata charges that said administrator has made no settlement of the estate before the commissioners of the court.

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Why she has failed to account for the silver plate, slaves & stock as above set forth, & he requires her to set forth specifically the amount of property of every kind which she has retained either as the widow of R S Todd or in any other way, & the value of each article specifically, since he charges that the personal property retained by her is much larger in quantity & greater in value than she is allowed by law to retain. He requires her to state specifically if the Inventories which she has filed as administrator contain a full & correct list of the personal property in the possession & under the control of the said Robert S Todd at the time of his death, & if said Inventories & Sale Bill do not contain an account of all of said property, he requires her to set forth each article that contained therein & the value thereof & to account for it.

He charges that said administrator has since the death of said Robert S. Todd sold one of his slaves, & he requires her to account for the money received for said slave, he is informed to it was not necessary to sell said slave for the purpose of paying off the debt of the estate & that said slave ought not to have been sold by her.

Wherefore, inasmuch as to the end he makes Elizabeth L Todd administrator of Robert S Todd deceased Ninian W. Edwards, & Elizabeth P. Edwards his wife, William Wallen & Francis J Wallen his wife, Abraham Lincoln & Mary A. Lincoln his wife, Clark M. Smith & Ann M. Smith his wife, Charles Kellogg & Margaret S Kellogg his wife & Daniel H. Todd, all of whom escape the adult an non resident of the State of Kentucky & the last named an infant, Levi C. Todd, Samuel P. Todd, Martha K. Todd, Emily Todd, Alexander Todd, James Todd, Catharine Todd, the last six infant, defendant to this bill & requires them & particularly the said administrator Elizabeth L Todd to answer upon oath all & singular the statement, allegation & charge therein contained as if again put by way of special interrogatory. He prays that the house & lot & the tract of land above set forth be of the proceeds thereof divided & that the widow be see downy them which he

The amended bill of George K. le Yodd & the bill
in Chancery heretofore filed by him in the Court of the Circuit
Court against the Executive & heirs of Robert S. Yodd deceased.

Your Orator would state that since the filing of his
original bill in this cause & since process was served upon
her & since her answer was filed by her guardian ad litem
Martha K. Yodd an infant daughter of said Robert S. Yodd
has married one Clement B. White, a resident of the State
of Alabama & she & her husband have left the State
of Kentucky & are now nonresidents thereof. Your Orator
makes the said Clement B. White a defendant to this
& his original bill herein. He pray that he be
required to answer all the allegations thereof, as if
he had again specifically set forth. He pray process
warning order be again given & he pray as in
his original bill.

S. J. Beck Jr.

Todd

Renewed Bill

Todd Adm'r &c

Lodged 18 Novr 1880.
Paid & settled
Novr 25th 1880
Mo: S Todd clk