

The answer of Samuel B Todd, Martha K Todd, Emily
Todd, Alexander Todd, Jane Todd & Catharine Todd, infants,
by Thomas J Redd their guardian ad litem, to the bill in chancery
filed against them all & others in the Fayette circuit court by
George W. C Todd.

Respondent reserving the benefit of all exception &c doth answer
state that they are infants & are ignorant of the allegation made
in complaint bill. They deny all such as are prejudicial to their
interest. They admit all such as are beneficial & then they pray
the protection of the court & that the costs herein expended may
be awarded to them &c

Thos J Redd Guardian
Litem for above named
infants

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Susanna of Mrs
Elizabeth L. Dodd

Dodd & Adam Jr

Filed & Noted 17th of
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The Answer of Elizabeth S Todd to a Bill in Chancery filed
against her and others in the Fayette Circuit Court by George
R C Todd

This Respondent for answer to so much of said Bill, as she
is advised to be material for her to answer, says. That it is
true Robert S Todd departed this life in July 1849, leaving
the respondent his widow, and the persons named in said Bill
his children him and distributor. It is also ^{true} that he left the
real estate named in said Bill, and that it will be difficult
if not impossible to divide it without greatly impairing its
value and usefulness. It is also true that Respondent admin-
istered on the estate of said R S Todd, made an inventory
and caused an appraisement to be made of the personal estate
and slaves in both the counties of Fayette and Franklin, and
has the greater part of the estate upon said inventory sold.

It is true that said Inventory does not contain all the per-
sonal estate of said R S Todd, which came to her hands. It
does not contain ^{all} the articles which were set apart by law
for the widow & family of the dead. But she denies that the
amount which was set aside for exceeds the amount allowed
by Law. On the contrary she avers that it fell short of what
she was entitled to as widow. The articles set aside for her
consists of a yoke of oxen, one cow, one bed bedstead & bed
of independent corn containing about ten acres ^{in Sheep, sixteen sheep, a small field}
furniture. The dead provisions in the meathouse, ~~and a long~~ ~~for~~
~~small amount of~~ ~~provisions~~. The foregoing are all the articles set
apart for her, as she believes. She states that she is entitled to
two beds instead of one. To a table and chair and cooking
utensils and other things which were not received but purchased
for her at the sale.

It is not true that any silver ware of said Robert S Todd
was omitted from the inventory. The silver ware to which
complainant alludes, belongs to this Respondent as her separate

property. Two of the pieces, a Silver Pitcher and plated Water were given to her by her husband as Christmas presents, and her name put upon them by his direction before they delivered to her. The other pieces consisting of a Teapot, a Sugar dish, a cream ^{pot}, a bowl, a plated urn, one dozen and a half breakfast forks, a dozen to a half table Spoons, twenty three tea Spoons, a pair of sugar tongs and four salt spoons, were purchased with her money, which belonged to her in her separate right. She states that by the last will of her mother Mary Humphreys, she had separate property divided to David C Humphreys as Trustee for her. In addition Dr Samuel Brown presented to Respondent and her said Mother a lot of land in the town of Phenix Alabama, but the deed for which was made to said Mary Humphreys alone. The other heirs however agreed that one half of the proceeds of the sale of said lot should be for her benefit, and she desired that it should be laid out in silver ware, and accordingly her Trustee H C Humphreys paid the money to said R S Todd for that purpose and he sent it to the East by W H Rainey to be expended in silver ware for respondent, and with it, the Tea pot, sugar dish cream pot, bowl and urn purchased, and it was engraved upon them that they were presented to her by Dr Samuel Brown. The other articles of silver ware purchased for her from time to time. The proceeds of her property were paid over generally to said Robert S Todd, and he reaped the benefit of her slaves and land, and the foregoing articles of silver ware were almost the applications of the proceeds of her separate property for her exclusive use. The other articles above named were marked with the name of her husband & her self.

The silver ware entered upon the Inventory was her husband's and not the property of Respondent. It is true that by the mistake of the Clerk of Sale, she is not charged with it on the sale bill. It was an error soon discovered, and always intended to be corrected.

She further states that all slaves, stock cattle and horses upon the farm in Franklin County, which belonged to said Robert S Todd except those apportioned to her as widow, and not subject to appraisement

were put upon the inventory, but it is true there were slaves cattle and one horse on said farm which were not inventoried, because they were not his property. The slaves belongs to her as her separate property, being all devised to her by her said mother, or purchased by her trustee H C Humphreys and the bill of sale taken to him. Said slaves are named, Jane about 31 years old, John about 13 years old, Jim about 11 years old Joe about 9 years old, Mary Ellen about 6 years old Alfred about 2 3 years old which slaves came to her by devise from her mother, Lucy ^{about 45} purchased by her Trustee H C Humphreys and Sam Field, also purchased by her Trustee ^{about 36}. The foregoing are all the slaves - The cattle not inventoried were some calves ~~for~~ belonging to David Todd, and some belonging to Samuel Todd. There was also a horse on the farm belonging to the firm of Oldham Todd & Co which was not inventoried and was carried home by W Oldham and sold by said firm at their general sale.

With the foregoing exceptions, the inventory exhibits a full account of the personal ^{estate} and slaves of said R S Todd deceased which came to her knowledge or possession. If there be any omission, it was by mistake and not known. Every thing was exhibited to the appraisers with the facts and circumstances, and the object and endeavour was to put down every thing of the estate of R S Todd which should be inventoried and appraised.

She admits that she sold a slave of the estate. The cause of the sale was, that he has run away and been put in jail during the lifetime of R S Todd for sale, and his sale was directed by W Todd on his death bed, who regarded said slave as dangerous. He had been in jail some at considerable expense, the master was unwilling, it was unsafe to take said slave out of jail, and under those circumstances she regards the sale as necessary and judicious. He was sold and the ~~best~~ proceeds applied to pay a debt of said decedent in kind. She admits that the personal estate had not been exhausted at that time in the payment of debts.

Her prouident has no objection to a settlement of her accounts as Administratrix, nor to a sale of the real estate and slaves, and is willing that the property be sold free of her claim, provided compensation be made her for her claim out of the proceeds of sale. And she is willing and desires that a division and distribution of the estate be made so soon as the debts of the estate are paid.

She would further state that there were some old notes and accounts, barred by time which were exhibited to the appraisers but being considered worthless were not inventoried they are herewith filed.

There is also a certificate of Scholarship in the Western Military Academy also considered worthless I herewith file.

She would also state that there is a bond for land aforesaid to H S Todd by B Ellis herewith filed. She is advised that the same is real estate which should also be sold and so far as she is concerned she consents that it may be sold on the terms mentioned above.

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This day Elizabeth L Todd made out before me a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid, that the statements of the foregoing answer so far as made from her own knowledge are true and so far as made from the information of others she believes to be true

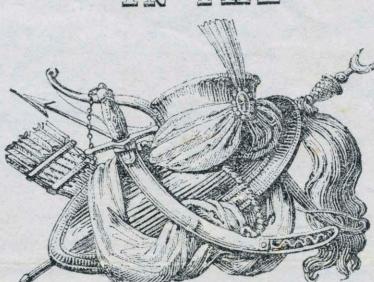
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July 17 1851
Elizabeth Todd
Notary Public
1851

Given under my hand this 15 February 1851

M b Johnson 1976.

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No. 43

CERTIFICATE OF SCHOLARSHIP
IN THE

WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE,
GEORGETOWN, KENTUCKY.
INCORPORATED WITH POWER TO CONFER DEGREES.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

BE IT KNOWN, that I, **THORNTON F. JOHNSON**, General Superintendent of the WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE, at GEORGETOWN, SCOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY, by virtue of the authority in me vested, by the Incorporated Faculty, of said Institute, for, and in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars, to me in hand paid for the use and benefit of said Institute, by Robert S. Todd of the City of Lexington, Kentucky do hereby sell, grant, and convey unto said Robert S. Todd one scholarship, in the said WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE; by virtue of which scholarship, the said Robert S. Todd is entitled to send to said WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE, one pupil, who shall be entitled, without any further payment for tuition, to all the privileges of instruction, either in the Preparatory or the Collegiate Department of said Institute, which his state of preparation or advancement in learning, may, in the opinion of the Faculty of said Institute, have fitted him to receive. And this scholarship, or privilege, shall commence at the date of the entrance of such pupil into said Institute, and shall continue, and be in force, during four years, from said date, and no longer.

PROVIDED ALWAYS, that nothing herein contained, shall entitle the said Robert S. Todd to send to the WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE, any pupil who, by reason of his physical, mental, or moral disqualifications, would not otherwise, be received; and, *Provided, further*, that any pupil who may enter the said WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE, in virtue hereof; shall be, in every respect, subject to all the Laws, Rules and Regulations which have been, or may be, from time to time, established for the government of said Institute, by the Faculty, or other competent authority thereof; *And Provided further*, That if such pupil, at any time during his attendance, in virtue hereof, at the WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE, shall incur the penalty of dismissal or expulsion, according to the established Laws, Rules and Regulations of said Institute, then all the rights and privileges, herein granted, shall, at that time cease and determine, and this scholarship shall be forfeited, without any claim for the repayment of the whole or any part of the consideration paid therefor.

FURTHERMORE, the said Robert S. Todd may, at any time, whilst this certificate is in full force, transfer the rights and privileges herein granted, or any unexpired part thereof; which shall be done, by his noting upon the face of this certificate, the fact of such transfer, and the date thereof, and the name of the person to whom such transfer is made; which note shall be signed with the name of the said R. S. Todd; *Provided*, that the General Superintendent, for the time being, of the said Western Military Institute, shall be forthwith notified of such transfer.

FURTHERMORE; Any pupil claiming the benefit of this scholarship, shall, at the time of his entrance, exhibit this certificate to the General Superintendent of the said Western Military Institute.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto affixed my name, and the Seal of the WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE, at Georgetown, Ky., this twenty second day of June 1848.

T. F. Johnson

Superintendent.

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Doctor Dr. No

Held with the audience

of Elizabeth L. Shad

Feb 19th 1811

With the audience
of Elizabeth L. Shad

and friends of Shad

in Germany

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WESTERN MILITARY INSTITUTE

An agreement made between D.C. Humphreys
of Benjamin Ellis his 20th day of April
1820 Witnesseth that said Benj. Ellis has
done some carpentry work for said Humphreys
at his rope Walk down South Frankfort
for which said Ellis agrees to charge at
the lowest cash price, & receive in payment
thereof Two hundred acres of Land in adja-
cent County adjoining John Popes on the waters
of Ocoee Creek a Branch of Cumberland
River. Patented in the name of said
Humphreys, the said Two hundred acres
to be laid off from the beginning corner
and to include a small piece of cleared
ground near said Popes land. & the said
Ellis agrees to allow the said Humphreys
Seven dollars per acre for the said Two
hundred acres - as witness our hand this
20th day of April 1820

Witness
Wm. Caldwell

D.C. Humphreys
Benj. Ellis

give Benj. Ellis Bond for the title of
200 acres of Land

J. C. H.

Benj Ellis &
D.C. Humphrey
et al vs

Dodd

vs

Dodd et al

filed with Answer of
Mrs Dodd 17 Feb 1831

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Note & Aps

Exhibits in Answer

of Elizabeth Dodd

Dodd Ad J^o

filed with Court N.Y. Feb 1851.

