

SUIT IS SETTLED

MYRTLE HAMMOND WILL NOT BE KIDNAPPED BY HER FATHER.

Attorneys Hit Upon a Plan for Placing the Money Belonging to the Child in the Hands of a Guarantor, and the Prime Object of the Unnatural Father for Securing the Child is Thus Removed—C. L. Davidson is Appointed Guarantor and the Money is Paid Over—History of the Strange Case.

An interesting suit was settled yesterday by an agreement of counsel of both sides in the sensational suit of Myrtle Terrell-Hammond vs. the Frisco railroad company, whereby the interests of the child will be fully protected.

It will be remembered that after the suit was filed for the child against the railroad company by W. E. Stanley, that the child's father, Robert Hammond, appeared upon the scene and attempted to get possession of the child.

At this time Mrs. Ferrell was visiting at her old home in Indiana and was served by a writ of habeas corpus commanding her to produce the child in open court. There she met her first husband, Robert Hammond, who claimed that he had received a decree of divorce from Mrs. Ferrell a few months previous, and had by the decree been given the custody of the child Myrtle.

Mrs. Ferrell had supposed that she was discovered several years before the time alleged in the position upon which the writ of habeas corpus had been issued, and in the meantime had married Mr. Ferrell of Wichita, Kansas.

It appears that the first suit, a copy of which had been served upon her several years before, had never been prosecuted to a termination, and as a consequence at the time of her marriage to Mr. Ferrell of Wichita she was the wife of Robert Hammond.

She was able to show at the time that her first husband was a worthless character and had never given anything to the support of the child Myrtle, until after the suit had been brought by the mother as the next friend against the railroad company, and that the only reason that the husband now desired the child was to secure the money coming to the child, and the woman had no trouble in securing friends who went on her bond that she would return the child upon the order of the court, and the court has become fully advised in the matter, and she was permitted to return to Wichita with the child.

Here she was confronted with another trouble. Owing to the fact of the first suit not having been prosecuted to a termination, she was, unknowingly, at the time of her marriage to Mr. Ferrell, the wife of Robert Hammond, and the marriage to Mr. Ferrell was null and void. She had the whole matter before her husband, and together they called upon their attorney, Mr. Stanley.

The attorney could see through the whole case in a minute. He realized that what had happened was that an interest in the child was solely for the purpose of obtaining the money, as the railroad was anxious to settle the case, and could do so by a receipt from the father of the child. He advised her that she could gain possession of the girl, and set about to thwart the unworthy father's purposes. In the meantime he had Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell cease living together as husband and wife, and filed a suit in the district court of Sedgewick county asking that a decree of divorce be granted to Mrs. Hammond from her husband Robert Hammond, and that the mother be granted the custody and be made the guardian of the child, which she had supported from its birth.

Two years before, while Mrs. Hammond and her little girl Myrtle were riding on a Frisco train, near Lawrence, Kan., a piece of gas pipe fell from the tundle case of the car and struck the child in such a manner as to injure her back, and caused her to be a cripple.

Suit was filed to recover the damages of \$10,000 against the Frisco railroad company for \$10,000 damages. In a short time after the filing of the suit, and while Mrs. Ferrell was in Indiana, the child was kidnapped, and the railroad company was made aware of this. All through the trouble to which Mrs. Ferrell had been forced to pass, her present husband, Mr. Ferrell, has stood by her like a true knight, and has defended the woman and her child throughout.

Yesterday the attorneys of the Frisco railroad, who had been made aware of the true status of the case, and Mr. Stanley, visited Wichita, where Mr. Stanley was affected and the money turned over to C. L. Davidson, who was chosen as the guardian of little Myrtle. By the agreement of counsel yesterday the railroad paid to C. L. Davidson, who was appointed the legal guardian, \$4,500, and paid Mrs. Ferrell for her expenses she had been at, besides the attorney's fees.

The great cause of the contention has thus been removed, and it is supposed that the interest of Hammond will die.

The neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell, who live on Sherman avenue, were congratulating the couple yesterday on the happy termination of the trouble.

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TORRENTS OF PROTESTS FROM THE MINISTERS OF NEW YORK.

One Goes so Far as to Say that War is the Great Hot House of the Future, or Words to that Effect—Parkhurst is Also Against War and Proposes that the Modern Newspaper Man be Sent to the Penitentiary—Nearly All the Preachers Talk Against the Conflict—Small Cap Headlines for War News.

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AS TO MONROE DOCTRINE. "This is not the place to enter into a philosophical or historical exposition of the Monroe doctrine; only it is safe to say this nation is not going to be drawn into the flames of international arms—to the dishonor of Christianity, the discouragement of civilization, the destruction of life and treasure, and the demoralization of our entire organic life. The doctrine is one such that probably 90 per cent of our population as well informed as this would not be able to state the doctrine intelligibly, and the other 10 per cent, who can state it, disagreeing among themselves as to whether the doctrine is applicable to the present situation.

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