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The Smith Brothers Co., Ltd., vs. Thomas Carpenter. No. 992.

Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias to me directed, bearing date December 14, 1914, I will proceed to sell at the front door of the courthouse in the town of Covington, La., between legal sale hours, on Saturday, February 6, 1915, to the last and highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit:

1. A certain tract of land situated in the parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, and more particularly described as being bounded on the north by lands of John David Thomas, west by lands of Warren Thomas, south by lands of J. F. Barnes, and east by lands of S. D. Bulloch, and being a part of the Johnathan Gilmore Headright No. 47, section 5, township 5 south, range 13 east, containing 40 acres, more or less, and being a part of the same property acquired by the late widow Mary F. Heiten, previous to her marriage to J. C. Bridges, from Erbin Cooper, as per deed recorded in Conveyance Book No. 1, page 1, and acquired by J. D. Thomas by inheritance from said Mrs. Bridges, as per judgment recorded in Conveyance Book No. 1, page 1.

1. Mowing machine. 1 rake. 1 cultivator. 1 turning plow. 1 plow stock. 1 row stock. 1 row stove. Terms of Sale—Cash, with benefit of appraisement. T. E. BREWSTER, Sheriff. Ja2-6t

George J. Cousin vs. Suburban Investment Company. No. 2293.

Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court, St. Tammany Parish, State of Louisiana.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale from the aforesaid court and to me directed, bearing date the fifth day of January, 1915, I will proceed to sell at public auction at the front door of the courthouse in the town of Covington, La., between legal sale hours, on Saturday, February 20, 1915, to the last and highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit:

1. Lots numbers two, three and four of section 31, township 8 south, range 14 east, St. Helena Meridian, La., fronting on the west bank of Bayou Liberty containing in all 109.16 acres less 4 1-2 acres sold to one Victor Galatas on May 12, 1876, recorded in Conveyance Book H, folio 689, of St. Tammany parish, Louisiana.

2. A certain portion of ground triangular in shape fronting on the east bank of Bayou Liberty and being part of the northwest portion of Joseph Laurant Spanish Grant, or section 38, bounded on the south by lands of Trouillier (estate of Eugene) and of Joseph (Saintville) Trouillier on the east and north by lands hereinafter thirdly described; which portion of ground or land is commonly known as the old mill site tract, partly in townships 8 and 9, south, range 14 east, St. Helena Meridian, La., as aforesaid.

3. A certain tract of land triangular in shape, fronting on the east bank of Bayou Liberty, adjoining and lying to the south of the Lachaise tract, hereinafter fourthly described, and bounded on the south by the old saw mill site tract, hereinafter secondly described, and containing a superficial area of about 67.30 acres, less 1 acre, more or less, sold to Marcel J. Cousin, on October 11, 1907, registered in C. O. B. 56, page 295 etc., of St. Tammany parish, La., said tract lying in the extreme northwest corner of the said Joseph Laurant Spanish Grant, or section 38, township 8 south, range 14 east, St. Helena Meridian, La., as aforesaid.

4. A certain tract of land fronting on and lying eastward of said Bayou Liberty and generally known as the Lachaise tract or Joseph Laurant Grant, being section 37, township 8 south, range 14 east, St. Helena Meridian, La., and containing 685.60 acres, as per Government surveys. From this fourthly described property are to be deducted the following

ing portions of ground, already sold, viz:

1. John Terrene tract, in southwest corner, sold October 2, 1869, registered in Conveyance Book H, page 186, containing about ten acres, more or less. 2. Ulysses Trouillier tract, in the southwest corner, sold April 21, 1870, registered in C. O. B. "G" page 780, containing about 20 acres, more or less. 3. Emer Cousin tract, in southern edge, sold on March 12, 1904, registered in Conveyance Book 39, page 160, containing 4 arpents, equal to 3.38 acres, more or less. 4. Henry Vander tract, in middle part, sold March 12, 1904, registered in Conveyance Book 39, page 159, containing 4 arpents, equal to 3.38 acres, more or less.

All in accordance with sketch of said tracts of land annexed to the hereinabove mentioned act of sale and mortgage, passed before said Heiro, Notary, on May 17, 1913. From the effects of said mortgage is also to be excepted the following lots of ground, sold by said Suburban Investment Company to Miss Marie Cousin and Mrs. Laurie Cousin, wife of Sidney L. Taarny, and released by act before Edward P. Cousin, Notary in New Orleans, on November 12, 1914, viz: Lots Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 of block No. 28, of the town of Liberty, La., bounded by Salmen and Cousin Avenues, south second and South Third streets, the whole as per plan by A. G. Mundinger, civil engineer, in October, 1912, said lots being situated in the property hereinafter secondly described, known as the old saw mill site tract. Terms of Sale:

1. The purchaser to pay in cash the amount of plaintiff's claim, say six thousand dollars (the amount of the three mortgage notes herein sued on, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, each for two thousand dollars, dated May 17th 1913, payable respectively in six, twelve and eighteen months after date) also accrued interest on all of the said fourteen notes, at \$27,470.00 at 6 per cent per annum interest from their date to November 17, 1914, as to the unmatured notes, Nos. 4 to 14, inclusive, and like interest from May 17, 1913, until paid, as to the matured notes herein sued on, numbered 1, 2, and 3, respectively. Attorney's fees at the rate of 5 per cent on the whole amount sued for, and all costs of court and charges of suit and sale, and the taxes due on said property for the year 1914; subject, however, to a credit of \$940.40, paid on account of the interest due on all of the said above described 14 notes, and as noted on their backs.

2. The purchaser to assume the payment of the other eleven notes, numbered from 4 to 14, inclusive, the first ten thereof each for the sum of \$2000.00, and the last or No. 14 for the sum of \$1470.00, said eleven notes payable as above mentioned, in 24, 30, 36, 42, 48, 54, 60, 66, 72, 78 and 84 months, respectively, after date, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent thereon from November 17, 1914, said interest payable semi-annually.

3. The purchaser to pay the balance of the adjudication, if any, in cash. Should, however, the amount of adjudication not cover the entire indebtedness of the defendant on the property, as shown above, then 4. The purchaser will pay, in cash, the accrued interest of six per cent per annum on the entire amount of the fourteen notes above described, to-wit: \$27,470.00, from their date to November 17, 1914, as to the unmatured notes Nos. 4 to 14, inclusive, as above stated, and the like interest from the date of said notes until paid as to the matured notes herein sued on, numbered 1, 2 and 3, subject, however, to a credit of \$940.40 paid on account of the interest on all of the said fourteen notes, the costs of suit and sale, the taxes for 1914 on the property, attorney's fees at the rate of 5 per cent on the amount sued for, and the pro rata accruing out of the net proceeds of sale to plaintiff's claim of \$5000.00 past due.

5. The purchaser to assume the payment of the said eleven unmatured notes, above secondly described, numbered from 4 to 14, inclusive, to the extent only of the pro rata accruing to each of said notes, at the rate, in the manner and on the date above secondly set forth. The purchaser of the said property assuming and agreeing to all the ob-

ligations and stipulations as contained in the original act of sale and mortgage passed before said Andrew Hero, Jr., Notary, on the 17th day of May, 1913, registered and recorded in the Conveyance and Mortgage Books as detailed under No. 4 above. T. E. BREWSTER, Ja16-6t Sheriff.

Alceine Oulliber vs W. J. Warren. No. 2321.

Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale from the honorable aforesaid court and to me directed, bearing date February 11, 1915, I will proceed to sell to the last and highest bidder at the front door of the court house in the town of Covington, La., on Saturday, March 20, 1915, the following described property, to-wit:

Two certain tracts of land situated in the parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, and more fully described, as follows, to-wit:

1. One undivided one-eighth interest in and to the following described property to-wit: Two hundred and three (203) acres, more or less, situated in section or headright No. 42, township 7 south, range 11 east, acquired by the mortgagor by inheritance from his deceased mother, Mrs. Arthemise Maille Warren, and from Jules B. Maille, and known as the Maille Property. 2. An undivided one-fifth interest of undivided one-half in and to the following described property situated in the parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, and containing two hundred and twenty (220) acres situated in section 41, township 6 south, range fourteen east, and more particularly described as bounded on the west and south by public lands, east by West Pearl River, and north by Jacob Levy land, and being the same property acquired by inheritance from James B. Maille, as per judgment recorded in C. O. B. page 1. Terms of Sale—Cash, without appraisalment. T. E. BREWSTER, feb13-6t Sheriff.

BELGIANS ARE STILL FACE TO FACE WITH STARVATION.

Former Kansas Congressman Tells What He Saw in the Rained Land.

London, Feb. 7.—"The situation remains acute. If the food supply is diminished Belgium will starve." Former Congressman Charles F. Scott of Kansas, who is returning from an inspection of relief work in Belgium and France, telegraphed this message today to former Gov. Walter R. Stubbs of Kansas. Mr. Scott visited Cardinal Mercier at Malines and heard the story of the new famous pastoral letter. "The Cardinal obviously enjoys the dilemma in which he has placed the Germans," said Mr. Scott. "His eyes twinkled as he told of his latest adventure. 'At six o'clock one morning,' said the cardinal, 'a German officer and two soldiers brought a communication from the commander asking him to deny statements that he had been deprived of his personal liberty. The denial had been prepared and consisted of four or five typewritten sheets. 'Cardinal Mercier Arrested. 'The Cardinal Mercier said he requested his callers to return in the evening for an answer but the officer declared they must wait a reply in the cardinal's room. At the cardinal's request telephonic confirmation of this order was received. Describing his subsequent experience, the cardinal said: 'It is true no manacles were used to restrain me, but I was to have perforce formed a guard. I was not permitted to go there. For three days I was restrained in my palace. Two days later I was asked to modify my letter and wrote another. If the Germans are clever they will publish my first pastoral.' 'So far as I could see Cardinal Mercier was free to come and go, subject, I presume, to the usual restrictions imposed on Belgians. Men were at work bracing the damaged walls of the cathedral and tearing down the parts which were damaged. Although terribly battered it now appears that the beautiful building will be saved. The damage is estimated at \$200,000. 'The people in and around Malines appeared as depressed as any I saw in Belgium. They wander aimlessly through the streets where bands of wretched, ragged children beg from every one in sight. Elsewhere I was struck with the courage Belgians show in efforts to rebuild their homes and resume their normal life, but of course they are wholly dependent on supplies brought in by the commission. War's Grim Pathway. 'When you have seen Vice and its population of 7,500 now reduced to a hundred odd families existing in its almost total ruins; when you have seen once beautiful Dinant, now a heap of jumbled debris; when you see for miles only women in the fields then you begin to realize what war is.' 'With a German general I motored through a large part of France now occupied by the Germans, every foot of which has been fought over. We drove for miles through acres of partly harvested wheat. What was left was trampled under the feet of two army corps. Almost within the sound of firing the Germans have a thousand or more of their own soldiers at work with gang ploughs drawn by gasoline tractors farming 125,000 acres of land which was a battlefield a few weeks ago. 'Throughout this region the Germans have been giving the inhabitants enough bread to keep them alive, but they told me they would not continue this work after active operations are recommended. In my trip I saw enough to convince me the Germans are treating the commission with perfect fairness, helping out with absolute good faith. Food is going to starving Belgians and French. We have done well as a country, thus far starving off actual famine, but more food is essential."

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AGED FATHER SEEKS IGNORABLE REVENGE ON HIS TWO DAUGHTERS.

School Board Refuses to Hear Denunciation That Teachers Have Blood Taint.

New Orleans, Feb. 9.—There was a sensational incident at the meeting of the school board last night. An aged citizen appeared before the board, and said he desired to present records and other evidence to show that two of his daughters teaching in white public schools are negroes. Mr. President Wexler declined to hear him, telling the man that such action on his part was too contemptible for notice. This is said to be not the first attempt the old man has made to besmirch the character of his own flesh and blood, and cause his daughters to lose their positions in the public schools. Several years ago, it is said, posters were stuck up on fences and lamp posts in the neighborhood of the school in which his daughters were teaching, declaring their blood was tainted with that of the African. Investigation at the time is said to have developed that the father's peculiar action was due to a spirit of revenge against his own flesh and blood as the result of a family quarrel in which the two daughters were said to have taken sides against their father.

EDITOR OF CHAMPION DIES IN PLAQUEMINE.

Dan C. Smith Closes Career as Well Known Louisiana Publisher. Plaquemine, La., Feb. 8.—Dan C. Smith, Sr., the editor of The Daily Champion and Weekly Iberville Sentinel, died here yesterday and was buried here today from the Methodist Church. He was a member of the Woodmen and was buried with the honors of that order. He was

CREW FORCED TO LEAP INTO SEA TO ESCAPE BLAZE.

Rescued Sailors Return With Tale of Stirring Adventure in Gale.

New York, Feb. 9.—With a tale of the sea that sounds like one of Clark Russell's best, the Philadelphia arrived today bringing the crew of the tank ship Chester, rescued at sea on the morning of February 4, in one of the most desperate experiences seamen are called upon to encounter. To make it all the more interesting, Captain Egebarth, of the Chester, and the following children: Joseph Smith, of Wilson, La.; Mrs. Winifred Smith, of Baton Rouge; Mrs. L. F. Bernard, of New Orleans; Edward Smith, of Chicago; Dan C. Smith, Jr., of Addis, and Miss Gladys Smith of this town. Deceased is survived by his widow and the following children: Joseph Smith, of Wilson, La.; Mrs. Winifred Smith, of Baton Rouge; Mrs. L. F. Bernard, of New Orleans; Edward Smith, of Chicago; Dan C. Smith, Jr., of Addis, and Miss Gladys Smith of this town. Several years ago, it is said, posters were stuck up on fences and lamp posts in the neighborhood of the school in which his daughters were teaching, declaring their blood was tainted with that of the African. Investigation at the time is said to have developed that the father's peculiar action was due to a spirit of revenge against his own flesh and blood as the result of a family quarrel in which the two daughters were said to have taken sides against their father.

OTHER TELEGRAMS MAY ADD FUEL TO POLITICAL FIRES.

Hebert and Barret Reply to Caustic Statement by Governor.

New Orleans, Feb. 10.—Less the absence of sundry telegrams rumored to have been exchanged between the principals, the record in the State Board of Appraisers' controversy was completed Tuesday when Lieutenant Governor Barret and Secretary of State Hebert issued statements defending their course in the Board of Appraisers election. The individuals who have been heard from at length include Gov. Hall, Chairman Horace Wilkinson of the Democratic State Central Committee, Attorney General Pleasant, Mayor Behrman, Col. Robt. Ewing (editorially) and the two officials who gave utterance to their views Tuesday. In his statement given out last Saturday night, Gov. Hall took the liberty of quoting three telegrams: one by Mayor Behrman to Secretary Hebert; one by Col. Ewing to Secretary Hebert; and one by Secretary Hebert to Mayor Behrman. It has been hinted in political circles that other telegrams may be in existence which would add to the flavor of the highly interesting record of the controversy. Up to Tuesday night, however, none of the contributors to the record had evidenced any desire to make public further telegrams, if there be other telegrams in existence. Mr. Barret, in his remarks, treats lightly the Governor's sharp and emphatic criticism of his opponents. Secretary Hebert answers in a more serious vein making a straight out defense of his course. His answers in both to the Governor and to Chairman Horace Wilkinson whose criticisms of Mr. Hebert were published some weeks ago. Hebert's Statement. Mr. Hebert's statement follows: "The beginning of the new year always brings a lot of work to the office of Secretary of State, and we have been at it night and day to say the least. I have had no time to make a statement concerning the recent election by the commission of state officers of the members of the board of appraisers. Now that I am away from my office, however, and have a moment of spare time, I wish to set my position before the people in its proper light. "Prior to last July, I was importuned by a number of friends of Tom Stewart, member of the board of appraisers, to support him for re-election. I fully investigated the merits of the case. I made this investigation in a most thorough manner and had a good record as a non-partisan and democrat, and that he was thoroughly representative of his district. On July 7, 1914, when the Sixth Congressional District Democratic Executive Committee met, Mr. Charles K. Fuqua, Chairman of the Committee, came into my office to get the roll of his committee, and while with me, he took up again the question of the re-election of Tom Stewart. I had made up my mind to support Stewart for re-election, and I then and there promised Mr. Fuqua that I would do so. "When the present discussion came up as to my action in supporting Stewart, and the motives which were alleged to have brought it about, viz: The work of Stewart and his friends in behalf of the Register of the Land Office F. J. Grace, when his official conduct was under investigation by the East Baton Rouge grand jury, Mr. Fuqua, volun-

tarily sent me the following letter to-wit:

"New Orleans, Jan. 11, 1915. 'Hon Alvin E. Hebert, Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, La. 'My Dear Mr. Hebert:—I am very much astonished on reading an article in yesterday's Item, in which Mr. Horace Wilkinson of West Baton Rouge charges that your promise to vote for Mr. Stewart for the member of the state board of appraisers was predicated on a promise, or agreement, made with you, in regard to preventing prosecution of Mr. F. J. Grace for certain alleged irregularities in the State Land Office. "The story does you a very great injustice, and is without foundation. Last July, on the day that the Sixth Congressional Committee met, I asked you to promise me that you would vote for Mr. Stewart as a member of the state board of appraisers, which promise you gave me. In this conversation, there was no mention whatever of Mr. Grace's name, and at the time you gave me the promise to vote for Mr. Stewart, there were no charges, as far as I know, of any irregularities in the State Land Office, either on the part of Mr. Grace, or any of his clerks. "I feel that I owe it to you to write this letter, in order that you can use same if you so desire in any statement that you might feel like making in regard to this matter. "With best wishes, and kindest personal regards, I am, 'Yours very truly, 'C. K. FUQUA."

"This letter shows absolutely the time that I made the promise to support Tom Stewart, and inasmuch as the grand jury investigation of Register Grace's office only occurred in October, 1914, it will be readily seen what a far-fetched stretch of the imagination it was to charge me with prostituting my official position to save Mr. Grace. "Insofar as the election of any of the other members of the board of appraisers is concerned, there is nothing to be said. Whatever might have been my intention at the outset, it was utterly impossible for me to go with the people who did not hesitate to use a battering ram in their effort to force me against my will to support the opposition to Tom Stewart. Any surrender on my part would have been too cowardly for even my friends to defend. "As to the charge that I bargained with Mayor Behrman and Col. Robt. Ewing to support their candidate for member of the board in return for their support of my candidacy for re-election, I can only say that this subject was not mentioned. These two gentlemen are fairly representative of the sentiment of the people of New Orleans and since no word has been uttered in all this discussion against the personal fitness of the candidates they worked for, nor in fact against any of the members-elect of the new board, I don't see why any comment should find its way into public print against the mere fact that Mayor Behrman, Col. Ewing and myself favored the same candidates. "Barrett's Statement. Mr. Barrett's Statement follows, in part: "While Governor Hall's animadversions upon the recent election of the State Board of Appraisers seem to reflect upon nearly everybody in the State, including himself, from the Constitution of 1898 up to the present time, I see nothing in it to take particular personal umbrage at. There is no intimation in the governor's statement that might lead a wayfarer into the delusion that the entire Board of Appraisers, made up of eight members, was entirely out of control of the governor's influence, and therefore anything 'happened' he was not to be blamed. Really, I don't think anything wrong is going to happen. "My personal and official relations with the governor are pleasant and friendly in spite of the fact that we have differed on some economic and legislative questions. I do not believe that he intended to cast any aspersions upon me in his remarks, and yet there is another implication that is in league with those who were active as the chief of protection for pro-corporate interests in the State. This I stoutly deny both for myself and friends. "I believe I have cast too many votes and cherished too much legislation for my views upon such matters to be misunderstood. "There was no disagreement between me and the governor on five and perhaps six members of the board. He agreed with me, or I agreed with him, or we mutually agreed—whichever way you desire to put it—upon Ronger of the First District; Martin of the Third District; Deas, of the Fourth District; Lewis, of the Seventh District, and Carver, of the Eighth District, while we did not specially agree to disagree over Buckner, of the Fifth District. "Disagreed Over Two. "Indeed, I was under the impression that the governor was satisfied as to these six members. So in the entire board of eight we definitely disagreed over the election of members from the Second and Sixth Districts. "Many of my friends, whom I have known during my whole public life, and in whose judgment, character and uprightness I have implicit confidence, asked me to vote for Mr. Stewart for the Sixth District and Mr. Wren for the Second District. "Mr. Stewart had been a member of the Board of Appraisers for some years and after the Hebert episode was discussed, I said to some friends that I felt committed to Mr. Stewart, and would only change my position with relation to him in the event he was shown to be unworthy or incompetent to hold the position. No such showing was ever made or attempted. Mr. Wren, I have always understood to be a man of high character and up to an hour, or may be an hour and a half before the Board met, I had never been asked to vote for any one but Mr. Wren for the Second District. I had no definite knowledge up to that time that there would be any other candidate than Mr. Wren."

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