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CATHERINE A. PEARSON Complainant.

IN EQUITY.

VS.

) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

JULIAN M. PEARSON
Respondent.

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

This cause coming on to be heard was submitted for final decree upon the Bill, Answer and Complainant's testimony, as noted by the Register.

Upon consideration, the Court is of the opinion that Complainant is entitled to the relief prayed for in her Bill of Complaint.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between Complainant and Respondent be, and the same are, hereby annulled, and the said CATHERINE A. PEARSON be, and she is hereby forever divorced from the said JULIAN M. PEARSON.

IT IS FERTHER ORDERED AND DECREED that the said Catherine A. Pearson shall not marry again except to Julian M. Pearson within sixty days from this date, and that should an appeal be taken from this decree neither party shall have the right to marry again except to the other during the pendency of such appeal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, AND DECREED THAT the Complainant may resume her maiden name if she so desires.

It is further ordered that the Respondent pay the costs of this suit, for which execution may issue.

Done at Monroeville, Alabama, this 16 day of August, 1933.

A. W. Hare,

Judge.



CATHERINE A. PEARSON
Complainant.

VS.

JULIAN M. PEARSON Respondent.

DECREE OF DIVORCE

TO THE HONORABLE FRANCIS W. HARE,
JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA
SITTING IN EQUITY:

CATHERINE A. PEARSON, by this her Bill of Complaint presented against JULIAN M. PEARSON, respectfully shows:

FIRST: That she and the said JULIAN M. PEARSON are now and have been all of their lives residents of the State of Alabama and are now residents 66 the County of Baldwin. That both are over the age of twenty-one years.

SECOND: That on January 3rd, 1933 they were married at Prattville Alabama and have lived since in Fairhope Alabama as husband and wife up to the early part of March last when they parted for the reason here set forth and have since lived sepmarate and apart.

ed that the Defendant is a man of violent temper, subject to fits of rage in which he loses control of himself and under the influence of which he is dangerous to anyone against whom his weath may be directed. That he has on several occasions become enraged with Complainant for no fault other than a difference of opinion and has denounced her conduct in matters of relatively small importance to such an extent that she fears personal violence at his hands. She has therefore left him and feels reasonably assured that aid she continue to live with him he would very probably do her bodily harm in one of his fits of unreasoning rage.

THE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Complainant prays that the said Julian M. Pearson be made defendant to this bill and by appropriate process be notified to answer same within the time prescribed by law.

Complainant forther prays that upon the hearing of this c cause a decree be rendered forever divorcing her from the said Julian M. Pearson, granting her the right to marry again should she so desire, to resume her maiden name and such other, further of different relief as to equity may seem meet.

Solicitor for Complainant

CATHERINE A. PEARSON,

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CIRCUIT COURT OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

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JULIAN M. PEARSON,
Respondent.

THE DEPOSITIONS OF JULIE O. SULLIVAN and CATHERINE A. PEARSON, WITNESSES FOR COMPLAINANT, TAKEN BEFORE BERNICE S. FOLMAR ON AUGUST 8th, 1933.

The said witnesses, being forst sworn to tell the truth, upon examination by the Solicitor for the Complainant, testified as is here set forth.

#### CATHERINE A. PEARSON,

I am the Complainant in this cause. I am twenty-four years of age and have been for more than two years next preceeding this date a bona fide resident of the State of Alabama. I am now, and have been since my marriage, a resident of Fairhope. Julian Pearson is also a resident of Alabama. He is older than I. At present he is in Montgomery with his people. We were married at Prattville on January 3rd last and at once came to Fairhope where we lived together as husband and wife till the early part of March when we parted and have since lived separate and apart. We are both native Alabamians.

My husband is a man of Wiolent temper. He was a spoiled child and was not taught self control. He is a large, well-built man, but flies into violent rages like a little child over the most trivial things. We had not been married but two weeks when he flew into a paroxysm of rage and abused me before all the people present over a bridge game. After that he flew into other attacks of rage over the most trifling matters followed by fits of moreseness and silences. I could never tell when he was going to bread out in one of his spells for he would do so for the most trivial causes. He had no patience with any one who differed from him. After we were married I soon saw a side of his nature that I had not suspected and found that it would be impossible to live with him. He kept

getting worse and while in our short married life he never struck me, I have seen him smash to pieces things that he was working with and under such circumstances that it made me fear that soomer or later he would do me some harm when he lost control of himself so completely. As I said before, he is a large man and I am small and not too placed tempered myself. Among other things he objected to mu ideas and views of life - to everything that differed from his own views. He was so very intolerant and impatient and expected me to humor his lightest whim, as his parents had done that we were in hot water all the time and from the way he kept getting worse I sonn saw serious trouble ahead if we did not part, so I left him for fear of physical violence, which would have come had we continued to live together. He recognized this too and regretted it for he seemed very fond of me under normal conditions, though when enraged he did not think of this. My people feared for my safety too and felt that I was wise to leave him before something serious happened.

JULIE O. SULLIVAN,

I am the sister of complainant and have read over her testimony and can corroborate what she says. While I have not seen Julian in one of his more violent rages I have seen him get very irritable and sulky over almost nothing and have heard others speak of how he loses control of himself. I have not lived near them very long, but my sister has on a number of occasions told me of the trouble she was having and how she feared that she could not live with him. He was a spoiled son and could not stand for anyone to differ with him and had my sister continued to live with him he would in time have hurt her bodily as he repeatedly did hurt her feelings by the things he would say to her in his rages.

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I, Bernice S. Folmar, the commissioner named in the attached commission issued from the Equity side of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County in a case therein pending, in which Catherine A. Pearson is Complainant and Juliam M. Pearson is Respondent, herby certify that on the 8th day of August 1933, I caused Catherine A. Pearson and Julie O. Sullivan, the witnesses for Complainant named in said commission to apprear before me in my office in Fairhope Alabama where, after being sworn to tell the truth, upon examination by Complainant's solicitor they testified as is hereinbefore set forth; that their testimony being reduced to writing was read over and s signed by them in my presence.

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I further certify that I am neither of counsel or of kin to either party to this cause or in anywide interested in

the result thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal as commissioner this the 8th day of August, 1933.

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Commissioner.

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BALDWIN COUNTY ALABAMA

JULIAN M. PEARSON

Respondent

Comes Julian M. Pearson, Respondent in this cause and for answer to the bill says:

FIRST: He admits the allegations as to the names, ages and marriage of the parties.

SECOND: He denies all other material allegations of the bill and demands strict proof thereof.

He hereby waives notice of application for commission to take Complainant's testimony, time and place of taking same, and of offering evidence in his own behalf and consents that said case may be submitted for final decree in vacation upon the pleadings and Complainant's testimony without further notice to him.

Respondent.

State of Alabama: Montgomery County:

I, the undersigned notary hereby certify that Julian M. Pearson, whose name is signed to the foregoing answer acknowledged before me this day that he signed same with full knowledge of its contents.

Given under my hand and official seal this the day of July 1933.

Notary Public Montgomery County Alabama.

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CATHERINE A. PEARSON, Complainant,

JULIAN M. PEARSON, Respondent.

Answer.

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