

W. D. MCDOWELL,

Plaintiff,

VS.

L. & N. RAILROAD COMPANY,  
a corporation,

Defendant.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

AT LAW.

And now comes the Defendant and for answer to the  
Plaintiff's complaint and to each matured allegation therein  
pleads:

ONE:

Not guilty.

TWO:

That the facts therein alleged are untrue.

THREE:

That the cause of action was barred by the statute  
of limitation of one year.

FOUR:

That the said bull was killed on a portion of the  
Defendant's right of way, which was enclosed by proper fences  
and cattle guards, <sup>and maintained</sup> created in conformity to the notice of  
the Public Service Commission

Beck & Hall  
Attorneys for Defendant.

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W. D. McDOWELL,

Plaintiff,

VS.

L. & N. RAILROAD COMPANY,  
a corporation,

Defendant.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

AT LAW.

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Filed this 28 day of  
February, 1935.

*Walter L. Deed*  
Clerk.

W. D. MCDOWELL,

Plaintiff,

VS.

LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE RAIL-  
ROAD COMPANY, a Corporation,

Defendant.

IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF

J. M. FRANKLIN, JUSTICE

OF PEACE, BEAT 4, BAY

MINETTE, ALABAMA.

Comes the Defendant and demurs to the Plaintiff's  
complaint in this cause and for grounds thereof says:

ONE:

That said complaint does not state a cause of action.

TWO:

That said complaint does not allege how or in what  
manner the said animal was killed.

THREE:

That said complaint does not state any facts which  
tend to show negligence on the part of the Defendant.

*Bebe & Hall*  
Attorneys for Defendant.

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J. M. Franklin  
72 E. 10th St.

W. D. MCDOWELL,

Plaintiff,

VS.

LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE RAIL-  
ROAD COMPANY, a Corporation,

Defendant.

IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF

J. M. FRANKLIN, JUSTICE

OF PEACE, BEAT 4, BAY

MINETTE, ALABAMA.

Comes the Defendant and for answer to the Plaintiff's  
complaint says: That the facts herein alleged are untrue.

TWO:

That the said cause of action is barred by the statute  
of limitation of one year.

3. That at time animal was killed, the Defendant had  
erected and maintaining a fence and  
proper cattle guards, and that  
said animal was within the  
territory so fenced

*Merbe & Hale*  
Attorneys' for Defendant.

Filed Oct 26 1954

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W. D. McDowell, Plaintiff

vs.

In Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Ala.

L. & N. R. R. Co., a  
Corporation, ~~Plaintiff~~.  
Defendant.

Now comes the ~~defendant~~ plaintiff in the above entitled cause, and

demurs to plea numbered Four on the following grounds, to-wit:-

~~First~~ First.

Because it is not shown or alleged that the defendant was notified by The Public Service Commission to erect a fence and construct cattle guards at the point where the said bull of plaintiff was killed.

Second.

Because said plea fails to show that said fences and cattle guards were erected and maintained in conformity to the notice of the Public Service Commission

Third.

Because from aught that appears in said plea, this fence and cattle guards might have been erected in conformity with the notice of the Public Service ~~Commission~~ Commission, and then torn down, and might have not been in proper condition at the time said bull was killed.

Fourth.

Because said plea is a mere conclusion of the pleader.

Fifth.

Because said plea four fails to set out the notice that was alleged to have been given to defendant by the Public Service Commission to fence the portion of defendant's right of way, along which plaintiff's bull was killed, and also the guards, culverts etc., to be erected and maintained at this point.

  
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W. D. M. Dowell  
 Plaintiff  
 vs  
 L & N. R. R. Co  
 Deft -

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Demurrer to  
 Plea four

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Filed this 33 day Mar 1936  
 Peter D. [Signature]  
 Clerk-Recorder

W. V. [Signature]  
 Atty for Plaintiff

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Appeal---Notice to apellee.---

)  
) W.D.McDowell  
)

V-S

Louisville and Nashville Railway Company

To W.D.McDowell plaintiff in said cause:

You are hereby notified that the Louisville and Nashville railway company the defendant in the above entitled cause, has prayed an appeal from the judgement therein rendered by me; and, having complied with the requirements of the law in such cases, the same has been granted, to the next term of the circuit court of Baldwin county ~~to hold for~~ Spring term 1935.

Given under my hand this the 6th day of November 1934

J. M. Fausell  
Notary public Ex-Officio Justice  
of the peace-Baldwin County Ala  
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Appeal-Notice to appellee

W.D. McDowell

V-S

Louisville and Nashville rail-  
way company.

November 6th 1934

J. M. Franklin  
V.P. Ex-O.J.P.

Executed Nov 6th  
1934 By serving copy  
Notice on W. H. Hawkins  
atty for Plaintiff

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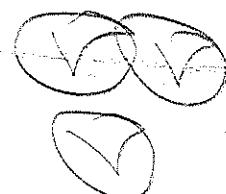
W. R. Stuart  
By C. M. Armstrong  
DS

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# Jury List, First Week, April 12, 1937.

- ~~1 Henry E. Peterson, Farmer, Gateswood~~ P4
- ~~2 George W. Pittman, Farmer, Gateswood~~ 81
- 3 Chester Nelson, Farmer, Point Clear
- ~~4 Willie Dana, Fisherman, Point Clear~~ P4
- ~~5 Charles E. Taylor, Farmer, Bay Minette~~ P4-9
- ~~6 Americo Allegri, Farmer, Daphne~~ P4-9
- 7 John Nelson, Oysterman, Bon Secour
- ~~8 Mac Aylin, Forester, Bay Minette~~ P8
- ~~9 Robert E. Lawson, Produce, Bay Minette~~ P7
- 10 Virgil O. McMillan, Naval Stores, Bay Minette
- 11 William Canaan, Merchant, Loxley
- ~~12 Roy Sandbrook, Contractor, Robertsdale~~ P10
- ~~13 Blaine G. Dickman, Salesman, Bay Minette~~ P2
- 14 Carl A. Gerhart, Farmer, Robertsdale
- 15 Fred Seibert, Farmer, Elberta
- 16 Eddie L. Hiles, Mechanic, Loxley
- 17 John E. Lindberg, farmer, Summerdale
- ~~18 Wheeler M. Tunstall, Dairyman, Daphne~~ P3
- 19 J. Bruce Beverage, Merchant, Bay Minette
- ~~20 Frank Eubanks, Carpenter, Bay Minette~~ P8
- ~~21 Frank T. Peterson, Farmer, Gateswood~~ P8
- ~~22 Durward Stapleton, Farmer, Loxley~~ P5
- ~~23 George Edward Bryant, Farmer, Stockton~~ P2
- 24 Paul McMillan, Mechanic, Stockton
- ~~25 Homer C. Russel, Clerk, Foley~~ P9
- 26 Frank Propst, Cattleman, Bay Minette
- ~~27 J. Matt Broadus, Painter, Bay Minette~~ P6
- ~~28 John Miller, Oysterman, Bon Secour~~ P5
- ~~29 Adrian Ray, Mechanic, Bay Minette~~ P7
- 30 George Yarbrough, Sr., Forester, Bay Minette
- ~~31 John Lewis, Laborer, Robertsdale~~ P6

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M Dowell

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L & R R R Co

REPORT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CLAIM FOR AND VALUATION

— OF —

STOCK INJURED

OR KILLED

STATION AGENTS WILL ASSIST CLAIMANTS IN FILLING OUT THIS SHEET, AND ESPECIALLY ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN INFORMATION AS TO THE TRAIN THAT STRUCK THE STOCK.

FORWARD THIS TO

STOCK CLAIM AGENT.

PERSONS HAVING STOCK KILLED OR INJURED ON THIS ROAD ARE REQUESTED TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AND RETURN THE STATEMENT TO THE NEAREST STATION AGENT, WHO WILL SEND IT TO THE STOCK CLAIM AGENT.

1. YOUR NAME W. H. McDowell POST OFFICE Reaher  
COUNTY Madison STATE Ala
2. WHAT KIND OF STOCK KILLED? bull
3. IF INJURED, STATE FULLY HOW INJURED, AND IF IT WILL RECOVER WITH PROPER ATTENTION \_\_\_\_\_
4. WHAT IS ITS PRESENT CONDITION? \_\_\_\_\_
5. IF BLOODED STOCK, GIVE PEDIGREE \_\_\_\_\_
6. WHAT WAS COLOR OF ANIMAL? black and white 7. HEIGHT? \_\_\_\_\_ 8. WEIGHT? 600#
9. WHAT WAS DATE OF ACCIDENT? THE 18 DAY OF Sept 19 23  
ON RAILROAD BETWEEN MILE POST No. 622 AND MILE POST No. 624
10. WHAT WAS THE NEAREST STATION? Grassfield
11. WAS THE INJURY DONE ON ROAD CROSSING OR WITHIN AN INCORPORATION, TOWN OR VILLAGE? No
12. DID YOU RAISE OR PURCHASE IT? Raised it OF WHOM DID YOU PURCHASE IT? \_\_\_\_\_
13. WHAT WAS THE AGE OF THE ANIMAL WHEN PURCHASED? \_\_\_\_\_ 14. WHAT DID YOU PAY FOR IT? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
15. WHAT AGE WAS ANIMAL WHEN KILLED? 5 yrs 16. WAS ANIMAL POOR OR FAT? fat
17. WHO SAW IT DONE? \_\_\_\_\_
18. WHO SAW IT ON OR NEAR THE TRACK AFTER IT WAS DONE? J. Owen Sparks
19. STATE FULLY HOW YOU KNOW ANIMAL WAS KILLED BY TRAIN. sign on track  
we saw it
20. STATE BY WHAT TRAIN, IF YOU KNOW \_\_\_\_\_
21. GIVE ANY INFORMATION THAT WILL ENABLE THE COMPANY TO FIND BY WHAT TRAIN IT WAS DONE \_\_\_\_\_
22. WHAT WAS THE CASH MARKET VALUE OF THE ANIMAL WHEN KILLED? \$ 25.00

I DECLARE, ON HONOR THAT I HAVE ANSWERED THE FOREGOING QUESTIONS TRULY AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

SIGNED AT Reaher THIS THE 9 DAY OF March 19 34  
W. H. McDowell CLAIMANT.

WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_ STOCK CLAIM AGENT.

W. D. McDowell, Plaintiff,

vs.

In Circuit Court Baldwin County.

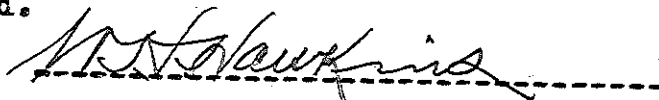
L. & N. R. Co. a Corporation,

Defendant.

Comes the plaintiff-appellee in the above entitled cause and amends his complaint heretofore filed in J. P. Court of J. M. Franklin to read as follows:-

First.

Plaintiff claims of the defendant, the Louisville & Nashville Railway Company, a corporation Forty (\$40) Dollars damages for that heretofore on to-wit.:- April 10th. 1934, the defendant was engaged in the operation of a railroad in and through Baldwin County, Alabama, and plaintiff avers that on or about the date aforesaid, at or near Dyas, Alabama, in said Baldwin County, Alabama, the defendant's agents or servants, while acting within the line and scope of their employment, negligently ran one of its trains into, over or against a Holstein Bull, the property of the plaintiff, and as a proximate consequence thereof, the said bull died, to the damage of plaintiff in the said sum of \$40.00 as aforesaid.



Attorney for Plaintiff.



**The State of Alabama,**  
Baldwin County.

To Any Lawful Officer of Said County, Greetings :

Summon Louisville & Nashville Railway Company, a Corporation  
to appear before me on the 26 day of October 1934, next at my office  
in Bay Minette Baldwin County, Alabama, to answer the complaint of  
W. D. McDowell

and then and there make a return of this summons.

Issued the 15th day of October 1934.

J. M. Grantham  
Justice of Peace.

COMPLAINT

<u>W. D. McDowell</u>	} vs. {	<u>Louisville &amp; Nashville Railway</u>
		<u>Company, a Corporation.</u>
Plaintiff.		Defendant.

The Plaintiff claims of the Defendant the sum of Forty (\$40.00) Dollars  
damages for the killing one Holstein Stock bull, belonging  
to plaintiff, on to-wit: April 10, 1934, of the value of  
Forty Dollars.

W. D. McDowell Plaintiff's Attorney.



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**THE STATE OF ALABAMA,**  
Baldwin County.

IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF

J. M. Franklin *NP E402P*

*Oct 26th* Term, 193*4*

**SUMMONS and COMPLAINT**

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W. D. McDowell

Plaintiff

Vs.

L. & N. R. R. Co.

Defendant

The Defendant is hereby notified that Writ of  
Garnishment has been served on

J. P.

Location

MOORE PRINTING CO., DAY MINETTE, ALA.

Executed by personal service and notice of

Garnishment

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 193\_\_\_\_\_

Constable.

By \_\_\_\_\_ D. C.

Executed *Oct 16th* 19*34*  
by serving copy of within summons  
Complaint on

*R. E. Cooley agent L & N R R Co*

*W R Stuart* Sher.

By *W R Stuart* Deputy Sher.

*We the jury find for  
the defendant  
J B Brumby for*

W. D. M. D. D. D.

Plaintiff

V.

L. & N. R. R. Co.

Defendant

Comes the plaintiff, appellee in  
the above cause, and demands  
a trial by jury —

J. W. Wankins  
Atty for Plaintiff —

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W. D. McDonald  
Plaintiff

L. & N. R. R. Co.  
Defendant

Demanded for  
jury trial

Received  
and filed  
Nov 6th 1934

# Transcript of Civil Cases from Justice's Court of Baldwin County, Ala.

ATTORNEYS	NAMES OF PARTIES	CAUSE OF ACTION	ITEMIZED BILL OF COSTS
			JUSTICE'S FEES
			Issuing Summons ..... \$ 50 50
			Issuing ..... Alias Summons ..... 50
			Issuing ..... Subpoena ..... for each witness.. 15 60
			Issuing ..... Execution and Taxing Cost ..... 50
			Issuing ..... Summons to Garnishee and taking answer ..... 50
			Issuing ..... Attachment Writ ..... 50
			Attachment Bond and Affidavit ..... 1 50
			Garnishment Bond and Affidavit ..... 50
			..... Appeal or Certiorari, including Bond ..... 1 00 1 00
			..... Bond ..... 50
			Administering Oath and Certifying Same ..... 25
			..... Certificate not otherwise provided for .... 25 25
			Docketing Cause ..... 10 10
			Judgment on Forthcoming Stay or Replevin Bond 50
			Judgment on Summary Proceeding ..... 75
			Issuing ..... Venire Facias ..... 50
			Transcript of Proceeding ..... 50 50
			Attending Trial or Right of Property ..... 1 00 2 75
			..... Sci. Fa. or notice in nature thereof ..... 50
			Making Return of Certiorari ..... 50
			..... Notice to Defendant ..... 15
			Release ..... 25
			Sheriff
			CONSTABLE'S FEES
			CIVIL CASES
			Serving ..... Summons ..... 1 00 1 50
			Serving ..... Summons on Each Witness ..... 6 25 2 60
			Serving ..... Garnishment ..... 25
			Levying Attachment under \$50.00 ..... 1 00
			Levying Execution under \$50.00 ..... 1 00
			Making Money, 3 per cent, not less than ..... 75
			Serving ..... Notice, etc., on each party therein 25
			Serving Sci Fa. or other like Notice ..... 50
			Taking Bail or other Bond ..... 50 4 10
			Keeping Property Levied on ..... 10
			WITNESS' FEES
			..... Witness ..... 4 Days ..... aX 50 2 00
			Garnishee's Fee .....

*J. M. Franklin*  
N.P. Ex-O.J.P.

RECORDED

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, complete, and exact transcript from my docket of the judgment and proceedings in the above cause, and I herewith send to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, all the original and other papers pertaining to said cause.

Given under my hand this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1934

J. M. Fraustlin Justice of the Peace.

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W. D. M. Dawell  
Plaintiff

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vs  
L & N. R. R. Co.  
Def't -

Plaintiff demurs to Plea Four on the  
grounds that said plea is a mere con-  
clusion of the ~~to be~~ Pleader.

W. H. Hawkins  
Att'y for Plaintiff

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over  
W.D. McDowell  
Plaintiff  
vs  
L & N. R.R. Co  
Deft

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Filed February 28, 1935  
Robert A. Decker  
Clerk

STATE OF ALABAMA, )  
BALDWIN COUNTY. )

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, a corporation, as principal, and R. E. Steiner and B. P. Crum, of Montgomery, Alabama, as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto W. D. McDowell in the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly, severally and firmly by these presents, and as part of this undertaking we hereby waive all our rights under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Alabama, to have any of our property, real or personal, exempt from levy and sale in satisfaction hereof.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 27th day of October, 1934.

WHEREAS, on to-wit: the 26th day of October, 1934, the said W. D. McDowell recovered a judgment in the Court of Honorable J.M. Franklin, Justice of the Peace of Baldwin County, Alabama, against Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company for the sum of Thirty-five (\$35.00) Dollars, debt and damages, and the further sum of Five (\$5.00) Dollars costs in that behalf expended; and whereas, on this day the said Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, as such defendant, has made application for an appeal from said judgment to the next term of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, to be held of and for said State, to reverse said judgment, and also for a supersedeas of the execution of said judgment, which has been granted on entering into this bond.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of the foregoing obligation is such that if the said Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company shall prosecute its said appeal to effect, and satisfy such judgment as the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama, may render in this case, then the said obligation to be null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE RAILROAD CO., (L.S.)  
Principal

By R. E. Steiner  
Its Attorney.

R. E. Steiner (L.S.)  
Surety.

B. P. Crum (L.S.)  
Surety.

Approved, this  
29th day of October,  
1934.

W. D. McDowell  
Justice of the Peace.





Witnesses for Plaintiff.

W. D. McDowell, Tom Dean, Pete Stewart,  
Brown Bryers and W. Joe Hall.

*Sullivan Saucier*

*July 26 1904*

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I charge you Gentlemen of the  
Jury that if you believe the evidence  
you should find