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# Transcript of Criminal Cases from Justices Court of Baldwin County, Ala.

| ATTORNEYS                      | CASE                 | CHARGE   |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| J.B.Blackburn, Co              | THE STATE OF ALABAMA |          |
| No. Solicitor                  | Vs.                  |          |
|                                | Gross Brown          | Bastardy |
| John Beebe, Atty for Defendant |                      |          |

| DISPOSITION OF CASE  | FEEES                                  | AMOUNT |
|--|--|--------|
| Affidavit made and Warrant Issued to Ethel Etheridge             | JUDGE'S FEES                           |        |
| Returnable To Justice court                                      | Warrant at 50c, Affidavit at 25c       | \$1.00 |
| Witness--- for State Ethel Etheridge, W.E. Ryals, Mrs W.E. Ryals | Bond at 50c, Sci Fa at 50c             |        |
| A.L. Etheridge, Mrs A.L. Etheridge and Grady Etheridge           | Witnesses' Recognizances at 25c        | 1.50   |
|  | 6 Subpoena or notice at 25c            | 1.50   |
|  | Continuance at 25c                     | 1.00   |
|  | Trial of Misdemeanor at \$1.00         | 25     |
|  | Mittimus at 25c                        |        |
|  | Judgment on Forfeited Bond at 50c      |        |
|  | Taking Bond, etc , on Appeal at \$1.00 |        |
|  | Execution for costs at 25c             |        |
| Comes the defendant and pleads not guilty, trial                 | CONSTABLE'S FEES                       | \$3.75 |
| had and defendant bound over to circuit court                    | Subpoena or Notice at 25c              |        |
| bond fixed at \$500.00   | Carrying Defendant before Justice,     |        |
| The defendant demands trial by jury.                             | each mile for himself and guard at 10c |        |
|  | Arrest 50c                             |        |
|  | SHERIFF'S FEES                         |        |
|  | Arrest \$2.00, Bond \$1.00, Sci Fa 50c | \$3.00 |
|  | Committing \$1.00, Release \$1.00      | 2.00   |
|  | 6 Subpoenas at 50c                     | 3.00   |
|  | Day's Board at 30c                     | \$8.00 |
|  | WITNESSES FEES                         |        |
|  | Days at 50c                            | 3.75   |
|  | " 50c                                  |        |
|  | " 50c                                  | 1.75   |
|  | " 50c                                  |        |
|  | " 50c                                  |        |
|  | " 50c                                  |        |
|  | " 50c                                  |        |
|  | " 50c                                  |        |
|  | DEFENDANT'S COSTS                      |        |
|  | Witnesses' Recognizance at 25c         |        |
|  | Subpoenas at 25c                       |        |
|  | Executing Subpoenas                    |        |

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, }  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

In the Justice Court of  
J.M. Franklin

Before me, J.M. Franklin, N.P. Ex-O. J.P.

in and for said county personally appeared Ethel Etheridge ~~a single woman~~  
who being duly sworn, deposes and says on oath that <sup>she</sup> ~~he~~ has probable cause for believing and does believe  
that in said county, ~~XXXXXX~~ Ethel Etheridge, a single woman, ~~XXXXXX~~  
That ~~she~~ <sup>he</sup> is pregnant with a bastard child and that Gross Brown  
is the father of said child,

against the peace and dignity of the State of Alabama

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

28th day of October A. D. 193 5

Ethel Etheridge

J.M. Franklin

N.P. Ex-O-- J. P.

The State of Alabama, }  
Baldwin County

TO ANY LAWFUL OFFICER OF SAID COUNTY, GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to arrest Gross Brown

and bring Him before Me to answer

the State of Alabama on a charge Of bastardy

and have you then and there this writ, with your return thereon

Witness my hand this 28th day of October 193 5

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

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

Justice Court of

J.M. Franklin

**THE STATE**  
**vs.**

Gross Brown

**WARRANT and AFFIDAVIT**

Witnesses for the State

Ethel Etheridge

W.E. Ryals and Mrs W.E. Ryals

*A. L. Etheridge, Mrs A. L.*  
*Etheridge T. Ryals Etheridge*

MOORE PRINTING CO., BAY MINETTE, ALA.

Executed this *7th* day of *Nov* 193*8*

By arresting the within

name of Defendant

*Gross Brown*

and placing him *on Bond*

*McMillin*

Sheriff

D. S.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

We, Gross Brown as principal and

The undersigned  
as sureties, agree to pay the State of Alabama the sum of Five Hundred Dollars,

unless the said Gross Brown appears at the

Nov 9 Term, 1935 of the Justice Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,  
and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of

Bastardy  
and we hereby waive the benefit of all laws exempting property from levy and sale under execution or other process for the collection of debt, by the constitution of the State of Alabama, and we hereby severally certify that we have property over and above all debts and liabilities to the amount of the above bond.

Gross Brown (Seal)

O. P. Brown (Seal)

J. S. Sharkey (Seal)

J. S. L. Fleming (Seal)

Taken and approved this the 7th day of Nov 1935

W. H. Perkins Sheriff

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy Sheriff

RECORDED

*Duck*  
7-327

No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

\_\_\_\_\_ Court

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

THE STATE

vs.

SHERIFF'S APPEARANCE BOND

Amount of Bond, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Filed \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

I would consider this is a good  
Bond, Would approve same if it  
was in my County.

*J. Sam Cleveland*  
Sheriff Clarke County.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,  
BALDWIN COUNTY.

We, Gross Brown as principal and  
the undersigned

as sureties, agree to pay the State of Alabama the sum of Five Hundred Dollars,  
unless the said Gross Brown appears at the

Spring Term, 193, 6 of the Circuit Court of Baldwin County, Alabama,  
and from term to term thereafter until discharged by law to answer a criminal prosecution for the offense of

Bastardy

and we hereby waive the benefit of all laws exempting property from levy and sale under execution or  
other process for the collection of debt, by the constitution of the State of Alabama, and we hereby severally  
certify that we have property over and above all debts and liabilities to the amount of the above bond.

Gross Brown (Seal)

O. P. Brown (Seal)

R. King, Jr. (Seal)

J. S. Sherry (Seal)

Taken and approved this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Nov 1935

M. H. Wilkins Sheriff

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy Sheriff

RECORDED

*back*  
*7-397*

No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
BALDWIN COUNTY

\_\_\_\_\_ Court

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

THE STATE

vs.

SHERIFF'S APPEARANCE BOND

Amount of Bond, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Filed \_\_\_\_\_, 193\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

If this bond was given in my  
county I would approve same as  
being good.

This 20th. day of Nov. 1935.

*J Sam Cleland*  
Sheriff.

and and start paying  
it. but please get this  
cost down as low as  
possible as I'm not able  
to pay much just now  
and appreciate anything  
you can do for me.  
yours truly  
Gross Brown

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Jackson Ala  
Sept 2 1938

Mr. R. S. Duck  
Bayminette Ala  
Diaries:

I have a notice from  
Lawyer John Buba today. he  
advised me that you have  
Court Cost against me.

I recd you some weeks  
ago asking you to send  
me a statement of how  
much the cost was. so  
I haven't got any reply. so  
am just wondering if you  
rec my letters. so if you  
have or haven't got my  
letters. please send me  
at once a statement  
how much the cost is