T. K. STANLEY, * IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF

Plaintiff, * BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA,

vs * AT LAW. NO 1544

MURRAY THOMAS, *

Defendant. *

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PERRY COKER,

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VS.

HARRY SWAINEY,

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AT LAW. NUMBER 1543.

## TESTIMONY TAKEN IN CHAMBERS ON OCTOBER 4, 1950

Mr. Perry Coker, being first duly and legally sworn, testified as follows:

ON DIRECT EXAMINATION

By Mr. A. B. Miller

- Q. State your name.
- A. Perry Coker.
- Q. Address?
- A. Robertsdale, Alabama.
- Q. Occupation.
- A. Oil distributor.
- Q. On August 3, 1950, did your automobile collide with an automobile belonging to Harry Swainey?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Were you driving your automobile at the time of the collision?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. As a result of this collision did you receive any injuries?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Where did this accident occur, Mr. Coker?
- A. On U. S. Highway 90 approximately three miles northwest of Robertsdale.
- Q. In which direction were you traveling?
- A. Southeast.
- Q. Mr. Coker, will you describe in your own words how this accident occurred?
- A. I was traveling southeast on Highway Ninety approximately fifty-five miles an hour and it was about twelve-fifteen noon, the sun was

shining, no other cars near, I was meeting this Jeep station wagon and approximately fifty feet ahead of me he turned on my side of the road ahead of me, and headed on directly on my side of the road.

- Q. At the time he made his turn did he give you any indication that he was going to turn or stop?
- A. None whatever.
- Q. He only turned from his side of the road across your side of the road?
- A. That's right. If you don't mind me elaborating, Judge, Your Honor, the only thing I can think is that we were approaching a little cut-rate gasoline station where gas was twenty-three and a half cents, only thing I can figure out, this old man saw this sign and turned. He's approximately seventy-nine years old.
- Q. After the accident, Mr. Coker, how did you feel physically?
- A. I was groggy and cut over the eye, bleeding quite a bit.
- Q. Were you unconscious?
- A. Not that I know of, Mr. Miller. I might have been for a minute or two.
- Q. After the accident did you go to a doctor, require medical treatment?
- A. Yes. My wife carried me to Foley to Dr. Holmes. They kept me there between two and three hours and put five stitches over this eye and treated both knees.
- Q. What were the extent of your injuries as found by the doctor?
- A. I explained about all there was to it, I was cut over my eye and and my chestfor my knees were sore few days and where the steering wheel hit me. My back was sore but there was nothing there that required medical attention.
- Q. Did you lose time from work as a result of these injuries?
- A. Yes, I did. The doctor requested that I stay in bed for a week and take it easy for awhile.
- Q. About how long did, about how much time did you actually lose?
- A. Lost a whole week and part time for two or three more weeks.

- Q. You say what time, what was the greater extent of that time?
- A. Fifty to seventy percent of my activities were curtailed.
- Q. What would you say would be the value of your services per day as lost during that time?
- A. That would be hard to estimate. I would say Fifty Dollars a day

  for the time I was out completely. You understand my type

  of business there is no way you can measure that like you could

  a salaried man. Might not be worth anything or it might be

  worth a Hundred Dollars a day.
- Q. Then the part time you lost you estimate at what?
- A. I would say Twenty-five Dollars a day.
- Q. Were there any other damages you suffered due to this accident?
- A. Yes. I broke my glasses and ruined a suit of clothes. I believe that's about all.
- Q. What would be the value of that?
- A. My clothes was a Sixty Dollar suit and my glasses were Twenty-six Dollars. We did salvage the rims and kept those, but the total cost of them was Twenty-six Dollars.
- Q. You mentioned in your injuries and item of cuts, did you have any permanent scars from these cuts?
- A. I have one now over my right eye (removing glasses). My glasses almost cover it but it's a pretty bad cut.

That's all

I, Ora S. Nelson, Court Reporter, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the testimony as taken and transcribed by me on a hearing of the above styled cause on October  $I_{\rm P}$ , 1950.

This 5th day of October, 1950.

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