

Mary Johnson et al }  
 vs  
 Wm G Knowles }

Circuit Court  
 of Baldwin County

The defendant moves the court to set aside the verdict of the jury and grant him a new trial 1st. Because the court erred in sustaining the demurrer to the 9th. which plea numbered 16 in words as follows viz: "Plaintiff demurs to that portion of defendants 9th plea which alleges that plaintiffs were not in possession of the lands at the time the trees were cut because it is immaterial to this action whether or not plaintiffs were in such possession"

Ind. Because the court erred in sustaining the 15th demurrer of plaintiff which was as follows:

Plaintiff demurs to that <sup>portion</sup> of defendants seventh plea which alleges that plaintiffs were not in possession of the lands from which the trees were cut, but that defendants were in possession because it is immaterial whether or not plaintiff was in such possession

3rd. Because the court erred in refusing the 7th charge of <sup>x</sup>t to the jury which was in words as follows: "The court charges the jury that unless plaintiff has proven by the evidence in this cause that the defendant cut or removed the timber himself knowing that he did not own the lands and willfully or that he directed his agents or employees to cut or remove timber from the lands described in the complaint, and that plaintiff owned the said lands they must find for defendant"

4th. Because the court erred in refusing the 1st. charge of the defendant in words as follows: "If the jury believe from the evidence that W.G. Knowles was in possession of the lands from which the trees were cut or removed at the time of such cutting claiming under a deed they must bring in a verdict in favor of the defendant

5th. Because the court erred in refusing the 3rd. charge of defendant in words as follows: "If the jury believe from the evidence that the defendant at the time of the cutting or removing was in possession of the lands claiming to own them under a deed they must find for the defendant"

6th. Because the verdict of the jury was contrary to the law and the evidence in the case.

7th. Because the verdict was contrary to the charge of the court

8th. Because there was no evidence to support the verdict

Thos St Smith, Attorney for Defendant

Deft's 5th & 6th motions to strike bill of particulars

April 4/95 This motion is granted  
W.M.D. Johnson, Clerk

Filed March 27, 1895  
George H. Boyle, Clerk

Mary Johnson et al } Plaintiffs      } Circuit Court  
                       vs                          } Baldwin County  
                      William G Knowles }      comes the defendant and  
                      dft                                  moves the court to amend the  
                      minutes entry in this cause of March 26th, 1895  
                      minc pro tem, striking out the word "dollars"  
                      in the following words of aforesaid minute entry:  
                      "We the jury, find for the plaintiff and assess the  
                      damages at one thousand and seventy dollars"  
                      Because the word dollars does not appear in the  
                      original verdict written by the jury on the back of  
                      the complaint

Ghos H Smith  
 Atty for Defendant

Amended by consent April 4th/95

Mary Johnson et al } Fall Term, 1895  
                      vs.

William G. Knowles      Come the pffs, &  
                      ask leave of the court to withdraw  
                      this demurrer numbered "15" and  
                      "16" & portions of the defendant's  
                      "7<sup>th</sup>" and "9<sup>th</sup>" pleas respectively; and  
                      to file in lieu thereof their motion to  
                      strike out said portions of defendant's  
                      said pleas, as per their motion this  
                      day filed with the clerk.

Jas. E. Mitchell  
 Oct. 28, 1895      Atty for Pffs

Ghos H. Smith  
 Contra.

Oct 29/95

Motion Granted  
 Wm. J. Anderson  
 Judge