

No. 12194

Supreme Court of Illinois

Aldrich.

vs.

Dunham, et al.

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Supreme Court of Illinois
James F Aldrich { Appeal -
vs John H. Dunham } Cook Co Co. Pleas

And now comes said Appellant
by T. L. Dickey - his attorney - and
says that there is manifest error
in the proceedings & Judgment ^{of the court below} on
said Cause - and that said judgment
ought on that account to be reversed
and held for naught -

And for special assignment
of errors said appellant shows the
following -

1st The court had no jurisdiction
of the subject matter -

2nd The court had no jurisdiction
of the person of appellant & other deft^s below

3rd The declaration in the Case
is insufficient & shows no cause of
action -

4th The court erred in admitting
evidence against appellant - which
ought to have been excluded -

5 The court erred in excluding
evidence offered by appellant - which
ought to have been admitted -

6th The court erred in giving each
and every instruction given to the jury
~~which was not requested by~~ by the Court

7th The court erred in refusing to give
instructions each & every instruction to the
jury - which the court was requested to give

and which the Court refused to give -
8th The court erred in overruling the
motion for a new trial -

9th The court erred in rendering
judgment against appellant in the
manner in which the same is
rendered -

T. L. Dickey attorney
for appellant

And the said defendant comes before this Court no
such more as is above supposed in the
law record, and the said defendant prays that the
said ~~defendant's~~ judgment may in all things be
confirmed

Grant Goodrich
for deft.

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James T. Aldrich

vs

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State of Illinois
County of Cook } S. S.

Plead before the Honorable John M. Wilson
Judge of the Cook County Court of Common Pleas within and
for the County of Cook and State of Illinois at a regular
Term of said Cook County Court of Common Pleas begun and
held at the Court house in the City of Chicago in said
County and State on the first Monday being the fifth day of
February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and fifty five and of the Independence of the United States
the seventy ninth.

Present the Hon: John M. Wilson Judge
Daniel McIlroy. Prosecuting Attorney
James Cladew. Sheriff
Walter Kimball Clerk
Attest

Be it Remembered that heretofore in the Eleventh
day of November A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty four
came Henry W. Hinsdale of the firm of C. H. Dunham & Co,
composed of John H. Dunham and the said Henry W.
Hinsdale, Plaintiffs in this suit, and filed in the Office of the
Clerk of the Cook County Court of Common Pleas, his Affidavit
of debt and praying and attachment against Hezekiah H. Smith
Martin S. Medbury, John H. Medbury and William Aldrich
and Summons against James F. Aldrich, Defendants,
together with a Bond for costs, which said Affidavit
and Bond are in words and figures as follows
to wit,

I.
State of Illinois
Cook County J. S.

Henry W. Hinsdale of the firm of
D. & D. Dunham & Co composed of John M. Dunham and
himself being duly sworn says that Hezekiah H.
Smith, Martin B. Medbury & John W. Medbury
William Aldrich and James F. Aldrich doing business
under the name and style of Aldrich, Smith & Co
are justly indebted to this affiant and his said
partner in the sum of One thousand eighty eight
dollars & nineteen cents for goods merchandise
and groceries sold to them, and thirteen dollars & sixty
cents for interest on the same since the same was
due, and that the said Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin
B. & John W. Medbury & William Aldrich are not
residents of this State, and that they have property
in this state, subject to attachment and this affiant
prays an attachment against the said Hezekiah H.
Smith, Martin B. Medbury, John W. Medbury and
William Aldrich and Summons against James F.
Aldrich

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 11th day } Henry W. Hinsdale,
of December A.D. 1854 }
W. Hinball. Clerk

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Know all men by these presents That we John H. Dunham, Henry W. Hinsdale & Robert W. Officer are held and firmly bound unto Hezekiah H. Smith Martin B. Medbery, John W. Medbery, William A. Aldrich and James F. Aldrich in the penal sum of Twenty two hundred & three dollars and seventy nine cents, lawful money of the United States for the payment of which said sum well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally by these presents

Signed with our Seals and dated this 11th day of Nov. A. D. 1854,

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bounden Dunham & Hinsdale by the said Henry W. Hinsdale have on the day of the date hereof prayed an attachment out of the Cook County Court of Common Pleas of Cook County at the suit of said Dunham & Hinsdale against the Estate of the above named Smith, Martin B. & John W. Medbery & William and James F. Aldrich for the sum of Eleven hundred and one dollars & seventy nine cents, and the same being about to be sued out of said Court returnable on the first Monday of January next, to the term of the said Court then to be holden. Now if the said Dunham & Hinsdale shall prosecute their said suit with effect, or in case of failure therein shall well and truly pay and satisfy the said Smith, Martin B. and John W. Medbery & William and James F. Aldrich all such costs in said suit and such damages as shall be awarded against the said Dunham & Hinsdale their heirs executors & administrators, in any suit or suits, which may

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hereafter be brought for wrongfully sprung out the
said attachment, then the above obligation to be void
otherwise to remain in full force and effect
Signed sealed and delivered J. H. Dunham (ss)
in presence of & H. W. Hinsdale (ss)
R. W. Officer (ss)

And whereupon attachment issued out of the Office of
the Clerk of said Court in words and figures as
follows, to wit,

State of Illinois
Cook County. } G.S. The People of the State of
Illinois to the Sheriff of said County Greeting
Whereas Henry W. Hinsdale Hath complained on
oath to Walter Kimball Clerk of the Cook County Court
of Common Pleas of Cook County that Hezekiah H.
Smith, Martin B. Medbery, John W. Medbery, William
Aldrich and James H. Aldrich are justly indebted to
the said Henry W. Hinsdale & John H. Dunham
composing the firm of J. H. Dunham &c. to the amount
of eleven hundred and one dollars and twenty nine cents
and oath having been also made that the said
Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B. Medbery, John W.
Medbery and William Aldrich reside out of this State
so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served
upon them And the said John H. Dunham and
Henry W. Hinsdale having given bond and security
according to the directions of the act in such case made
and provided We therefore command you, that you
attach so much of the Estate, real or personal, of the
said Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B. Medbery, John

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W. Medbury and William Aldrich to be found in your County as shall be of value sufficient to satisfy said debt and costs, according to the said Complaint and such Estate, so attached, in your hands to secure, or so to provide that the same may be liable to further proceedings thereupon according to law at a term of said Cook County Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Chicago, within and for the County of Cook on the first Monday of January next, so as to compel the said Smith - Martin & John H. Medbury & William Aldrich to appear and answer the complaint of the said John H. Dunham & Henry W. Hinckley and that you also summon the said James F. Aldrich if he shall be found in your County personally to be and appear at the said Court on the said first Monday of January next, then and there to answer unto the said Dunham & Hinckley in a plea of trespass on the cause upon promised to their damage as they say of Two Thousand dollars; when and where you shall make known to the said Court, how you have executed this Writ. And have you then and there this Writ.



Witness Walter Kimball, Clerk of our said Court, and the Seal thereof at Chicago in said County; this Eleventh day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

Walter Kimball - Clerk

"Served this Writ by reading to E. W. Willard and Edward J. Tuckham as garnishers of the within named Defendants to said Willard as a Member of the firm of George Smith & Co and to said Tuckham as Secretary of the Chicago Marine & Fire Insurance

Company this 14th day of Nov 1854

C. P. Bradley Sheriff

By J. H. Regan Deputy

And hereafter to wit on the twenty second day of December A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty four the said Plaintiffs by Goodrich Scoville and Seelye their Attorneys filed their Declaration herein in the office of the Clerk of said Court, which Declaration is in words and figures as follows, to wit.

State of Illinois In the Cook County Court of
County of Cook S. S. Common Pleas of the January
Term A. D. 1855.

John H. Durham and Henry H. Hinsdale partners of the name style and firm of J. H. Durham & Company Plaintiffs in this suit by Goodrich Scoville & Seelye their Attorneys complain of Hezekiah H. Smith Martin B. Medbery and John W. Medbery, William Aldrich and James J. Aldrich defendants in this suit who are summoned &c of a plea of Trespass on the case, upon promises. For that whereas heretofore to wit, on the tenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four to wit, at the said County of Cook the said Defendants became and were indebted to the said Plaintiffs in the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars, for divers goods, wares, and merchandise by the said Plaintiffs before that time sold and delivered to the said Defendants and at their special instance and request. And being so indebted the said Defendants in consideration thereof afterwards to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid, to wit, at the County aforesaid undertook and then and there

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faithfully promised the said Plaintiffs to pay them the
said sum of money when they the said Defendants
should be thereunto afterwards requested And whereas
also afterwards to wit on the day and year last
aforesaid at the County of Cook aforesaid in consideration
that the said Plaintiffs had before that time at the
like special instance and request of the said defendants
sold and delivered to them the said Defendants divers
other goods wares and merchandise they the said defendants
undertook and then and there faithfully promised the
said Plaintiffs to pay them so much money as the said
last mentioned goods wares and merchandise at the
time of the said Sale and delivery thereof were reasonably
worth, when they the said Defendants should be
thereunto afterwards requested and the said Plaintiffs
aver that the said last mentioned goods wares and
merchandise at the time of the said Sale and delivery
thereof were reasonably worth the further sum of
Fifteen hundred dollars to wit; at the County aforesaid
whereof the said Defendants afterwards to wit on
the day and year last aforesaid had notice. And
also for that Whereas afterwards to wit on the day and
year last aforesaid to wit at the County aforesaid the
said Defendants became and were indebted to the said
Plaintiffs in the further sum of Fifteen hundred
dollars for so much money before that time by the
said Plaintiffs paid laid out and expended to and
for the use of the said Defendants at the like special
instance and request and being so indebted they the
said Defendants afterwards to wit on the day and year
last aforesaid, to wit, at the County aforesaid in
consideration thereof undertook and then and there
faithfully promised the said Plaintiffs to pay them the

said last mentioned sum of money when they the said Defendants should be thereunto afterwards requested. And also for that whereas the said Defendants afterwards to wit on the day and year last aforesaid at the County aforesaid accounted with the said Plaintiff of and concerning divers other sums of money from the said Defendants to the said Plaintiff before that time due and owing and then in arrear and unpaid and upon such accounting the said Defendants was then and there found to be in arrear and indebted to the said Plaintiff in the further sum of Fifteen hundred dollars and being so found in arrear and unpaid they the said Defendants in consideration thereof undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said Plaintiff to pay them the said last mentioned sum of money when they the said Defendants should be thereunto afterwards requested. Nevertheless the said Defendants notwithstanding their said several promises and undertakings but contriving and fraudulently intending to deceive and defraud the said Plaintiff in this behalf have not as yet paid the said several sums of money or any or either of them or any part hereof to the said Plaintiff, although often requested so to do, but the said Defendants to pay them the same have hitherto wholly neglected and refused to the damage of the said Plaintiff of Two thousand dollars and therefore they bring suit for by

Gordush, Seville & Seelye
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Copy of account sued on
 Goods wares & Merchandise sold for \$1500.00
 Goods wares & Merchandise sold & delivered which were worth } 1500.00

Money paid laid out and expended \$ 1500 + 00
Money found due upon account stated 1500 + 00

and thereafter to wit on the twenty third day of January
A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five there was filed in the Office
of the Clerk of said Court, in this case, a Certificate of the Publication
of Attachment Notice, which Certificate and notice is in words and
figures as follows to wit.

The undersigned do hereby certify that they are the
editors publishers and Proprietors of the Chicago
Tribune a daily Newspaper of general circulation
printed and published in the City of Chicago, County
of Cook and State of Illinois, and that a Notice of
an Attachment in the case of Durham & Hinsdale
vs. H. B. Smith et al of which the printed notice
hereto annexed is a true copy, was published in
said paper once each week, for four successive weeks
and that the first insertion of said notice in said
paper was on the sixth day of Dec. A. D. 1854

Dated Chicago Jan'y 19. 1855.

J. C. Stewart & Co.

Copy printed Notice above referred to
State of Illinois } Cook County Court of
Cook County } Common Pleas January
A. D. 1855.

John H. Durham and
Henry W. Hinsdale . . .

vs
Hezekiah H. Smith, Martha
B. Medbury, John H. Medbury
William Aldrich and Jas.
J. Aldrich

Public Notice is hereby

given to the said Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin Medbery,
 John W. Medbery and William Aldrich that a Writ of
 Attachment issued out of the office of the Clerk of the Cook
 County Court of Common Pleas dated the eleventh day of
 November A. D. 1854 at the suit of the said John H.
 Dunham and Henry H. Hinsdale for the sum of eleven hundred
 and one dollars and seventy nine cents directed to the Sheriff
 of Cook County which said Writ has been returned executed.
 Now therefore unless you the said Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin
 B. Medbery, John W. Medbery, and William Aldrich shall
 personally be and appear before the said Cook County
 Court of Common Pleas, on or before the first day of the
 next term thereof, to be holden at the Court House in
 the City of Chicago on the first Monday of January
 A. D. 1855, give special bail and plead to the said
 Plaintiffs action, judgment will be entered against you
 and in favor of the said John H. Dunham and Henry
 H. Hinsdale, and so much of the property attached as
 may be sufficient to satisfy the said judgments and costs
 will be sold to satisfy the same.

Goodrich, Scoville

Walter Kimball. Clerk

& Secy v. Atts Atts.

And thereafter to wit on the twenty sixth day of January
 A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty five there was filed in
 the Office of the Clerk of said Court the Bill of Costs
 of the account of said Plaintiffs against said defendants
 herein, which Bill is in words and figures as follows, to wit,

Chicago March 23rd 1854

Messrs Aldrich, Smith & Co

Bought of I. H. Dunham & Co

Wholesale Grocers

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Toms Cash

Soo 92 and 94 South Water Street,

2	doz. Brooms	18/-	4, 50
2	" do,	14/-	3, 50
3	Bottles Ink	4/-	1, 50
1	Box Cream Tartar	10 2/-	1/10 4, 00
Apr. 3.	1 Hhd Sugar ^{13 10} / ₁₃₁	1179/-	4 1/2 53, 00
50	Bags Salt	17	8, 50
1	Brl 2 ^{1/2} Crushed Sugar	142	9 1/2 13, 74
2	Matto Capia	8 1/4	3, 47
3	Bags Shot	16/-	6, 00
2	Boxes Clothes Pins	12/-	3, 00
2	" Mop Handles	8/-	2, 00
2	" Sugar Boxes	18/-	4, 00
1	" Raisins	30/-	3, 75
1	Plug do	50	12, 00

Apr. 18 6 Boxes 2^{1/2} Candles

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6	Bags Shot	16/-	12, 00
5 lbs	Cloves	2/-	1, 25
15	Spices Bag 2 ^{1/2}	17	2, 80
2	Doz. Brooms	14/-	3, 50
2	" Do	16/-	4, 00
4	Reams Paper	5/-	2, 50
4	do. do	4/-	2, 00
2	do. do	8/-	2, 00
2	do. do	12/-	3, 00
1	Box Mustard	12/-	1, 50
1	Brl 2 ^{1/2} Smoking Tobacco	42	7, 3, 19
1	" 2 ^{1/2} Do. do	76	10, 7, 85

Dray — 25

78, 84
Forward — 819 h, 85

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Amount Forward

196 n 85

1 Hhd Sugar	908 90	818	4½ 36 n 81
1 Barl 2 ^{1/2} Fine Smoking Tobacco	66 ½	10	6 n 90
1 " 2 ^{1/2} Common Do Do 100		6 ½	6 n 73
½ " 2 ^{1/2} Fine Do Do 41		8 ½	3 n 73
25 Bags Salt		17	4 n 25
2 " Louisville Apples	236	9½	12 n 05
5 " Best Do	368	11½	22 91 4 93 n 43
May 27 1 Barl 2 ^{1/2} N. A. Sugar	218	4 ¾	10 n 58
1 " 2 ^{1/2} of a Do	208	6 ½	13 n 77
1 Bag Coffee	168	11 ¾	18 n 90
½ Chest Kate Hayes Tea 83 16	67	4½	33 n 30
1 Box 2 ^{1/2} Saleratus	100	5 ½	5 n 73
5 Hds Laps		45	2 n 25
1 Barl Dr & Co Syrup	51	40	20 n 40
1 Box 2 ^{1/2} Candles	42	13 ½	5 n 92

June 5 16 Doz. Brooms

Dray 38 111 n 42

20 10 00

6 Bags Apples 340 11½ 21 n 25

9 Barls Coarse Salt 320 40 22 10 280 40 28 n 26

1 Doz. Brooms 17½ 2 n 13

" 22 25 Bags Salt

Dray 25 61 n 89

2 Dhs Laps } 17 4 n 25

1 Hhd Sugar 124 4, 124, 1120 4½ 50 n 40

200 lbs Codfish 4½ 9 n 00

1 Barl 2^{1/2} Crackers 67 7 4 n 94 18 n 59

July 1 1 Keg Powder

5 n 50

2 Bags Buck Shot 19½ 4 n 75 10 n 25

" 8 2 " Apples 164 12½ 12 n 18

1 Barl 2^{1/2} Coffee B. Sugar 226 7 ¾ 17 n 77

1 Batty Living Agr * 15 Tea 15 ½ 65 10 n 08

50 lbs Codfish 4½ 2 n 25

1 Bag Coffee 80 11 8 n 80

1/4 M Oregon Cigars 8 28 7.00 58 n 08

Forward 8 28 7.00 58 n 08

8 28 7.00 58 n 08

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		Amt found	\$600. 51
1 Bbl 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	Vinegar	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 94
2 Bags	Peaches	204	13 26. 52
6 "	Apples	300	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ 04
1 Keg	Prunes	117	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 77
4 Boxes	Matches		7 $\frac{1}{2}$ 3. 50
1 "	Suk		9 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1. 13
4	Cheese	1216	11 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ 33
1 Bbl 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Peaches	66	13 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 83
1 Ream	Paper		5 $\frac{1}{2}$.63

Dray 37 87. 06

July 26	1 Box 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Codfish	336	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 14. 64
	1 Bbl	Crackers		6. 00
	4 Doz	Bacon		18. 9. 00
	100	Bags Salt		17 17. 00
	2 Boxes 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Soap	130	43 $\frac{1}{2}$ 6. 67
	50	Bar Lead		7 $\frac{1}{2}$ 3. 75
	3	Yds L. D. Caps		48 1. 35
	3	Bags Shot		16 $\frac{1}{2}$ 6. 00
Augt 8	1	36 lbs No. Sugar		Dray 50 64. 93
		(1126 - 112. 1014)		5 50. 70
	4 Bbls 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	Vinegar	155	12 20. 60

Dray 61 75 72. 06

114	1 Keg	Powder		5. 50
	2 Bags	Shot		16 $\frac{1}{2}$ 14. 00
	1 Bbl 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Matches	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 10. 55
	2 Boxes	Cheese	136 114	10 12. 20
	1 Bbl 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Rice	247 19	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 12. 22
	1 Bag 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pepper	25	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ 3. 38
	1 Doz.	Bacon		2 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2. 50 50. 35
23	5 Boxes 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Soap	328	5 17. 65
	3	" 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Saleratus	300
	1 Keg 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Lead	100	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 17. 25
				10 10. 38 45. 66
				Dray 38
				Forward \$920. 56

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Amount forwarded \$ 920. 56

1 Feb 21	Crackers	73	7 5. 36
1 " 4	N. Q. Sugar	268	5 1/2 141. 44
1 " 4	Coffee & Co.	230	8 18. 65
1 Feb 12	Sugar 1244, 124, 1120.		5 1/2 61. 60
2 Kegs Lard	238	202	10 20. 20

Dray 50 120. 75

Sep. 27 Interest

14. 117

\$ 1125. 16

Aug. 15 Cr by L. Brown

36. 97

\$ 1088. 19

69. 38

\$ 1018. 81

New balance after striking out \$ 69. 38
item above

And thereafter to wit on the sixth day of February
A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty four being
one of the days of the February Term of said Court
the following proceedings were had and taken in said
cause and entered of record to wit.

John H. Dunham et al

(as)

Hezekiah H. Smith et al & Att.

This day came the said Defendants
by Mather and Tast their Attorneys and on
their motion It is Ordered that the Rule
to Plead in this cause be extended two
weeks from this day.

And thereafter to wit on the nineteenth day of February
A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five the said defendants
by Mather & Taft their ^{Attorneys} filed in the Office of the Clerk
of said Court their Plea, together with a Notice and
Particulars of set off, which said Plea, Notice and
Particulars are in words and figures as follows to wit.

Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin
B. Medbury, John H. Medbury }
William Aldrich & James F. } Cook County Court of
Aldrich Common Pleas.

(at) John H. Dunham and
Henry H. Kingsdale } Of the February Term
A. D. 1855,

And the said Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin
B. Medbury, John H. Medbury, William Aldrich and
James F. Aldrich, defendants in this suit by Mather
& Taft their Attorneys, come and defend the wrong and
injury, when &c., and say that they did not undertake
or promise, in manner and form as the said Plaintiffs
have above thereof complained against them And of this
they put themselves upon the country. And the said
Plaintiffs do the like &c.

Mather & Taft
Def's Atty's.

Gent:

Please to take Notice that the said Defendants at
the Trial of the above cause will insist upon & give
in evidence under the general issue above pleaded
that the said Plaintiffs at the time of the commencement
of the action aforesaid against the said Defendants to wit
on the 11th day of November A. D. 1854 was and
still is indebted unto them the said Defendants in the

sum of One thousand dollars lawful money of the United States of America for the work and labor care and diligence of the said Defendants by the said Defendants and their servants & agents before that time done performed & bestowed in & about the business of the said Plaintiffs & for the said Plaintiffs & at their special instance & request And also in the further sum of One thousand dollars of like lawful money for money before that time lent and advanced by the said Defendants to the said Plaintiffs & at the like request of the said Plaintiffs And for other money by the said Defendants before that time paid laid out & expended for the said Plaintiffs & at the like request of the said Plaintiffs And for other money by the said Plaintiffs before that time had & received to & for the use of the said Plaintiffs: And also that the said Plaintiffs before the commencement of this action to wit, on the 1st day of November A. D. 1854 accounted together with the said Defendants of & concerning the said demand of the said Plaintiffs against the said Defendants & also of & concerning divers other sums of money & accounts between the said Plaintiffs & the said Defendants And upon such accounting the said Plaintiffs were found to be in arrear & indebted to the said defendants in the further sum of One thousand dollars of like lawful money which the said Plaintiffs undertook & then & there faithfully promised the said Defendants well & truly to pay unto the said defendants when the said Plaintiffs should be theremore afterwards requested. Which said several sums of money or so much thereof as will be sufficient for that purpose the said Defendants will set off against the demand of the said Plaintiffs to be proved at the Trial & have the balance certified in their favor. Dated Feb 19th 1855.

To Mess. Goodrich, Goville & Yours &c Mather & East
Gely & Astyo for Pliffs } Attorneys for Defendants,

Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B.
Malberg, John H. Medberry,
William Aldrich & James T. Aldrich, } In Cook County Court
of Common Pleas.

(at)
John H. Duham and Harry } State of Illinois
W. Hinckley } Cook County A.S.

James T. Aldrich being duly sworn says that he is one of the Defendants in the above entitled cause and that the said Defendants have a good & substantial defense upon the merits therein as they are advised by Mather & Tast their Attorneys and Counsel to whom he this Defendant has fully and fairly stated the case & their said defense and as he this Defendant verily believes to be true and further saith not.

Subscribed & Sworn to
Feby 19th 1855 before
me. Walter Kimball
Clerk

James T. Aldrich.

The Defendant herewith files a true account of his set off under the Notice above accompanying the general issue. That is to say,

J. H. Duham & Co.

To Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B. Medberry,
John H. Medberry, William Aldrich, & James T. Aldrich
Drs

1855. Aug 1st.	To services in settling an a/c with Charles Kuchu, postage, Letters & business done . . .	\$ 20.00
	For money lent & advanced Defts to Pliffs	
	" " paid laid out suspended depts for Pliffs	
	" " had & recd by Pliffs for Defts	1000 " 00
	" " due depts from Pliffs on an a/c	
	Stated	1000 " 00
		Mather & Tast. Atty's for Defts.

And thereupon to wit on the Twenty fourth day of March being one of the days of the said February Term of said Court A.D. eighteen hundred and fifty five the following proceedings were had & taken and entered of Record, to wit.

John H. Dunham & Henry

H. Hinsdale

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Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin

Attachment.

B. Medbery, John W. Medbery

William Aldrich & James F.

Aldrich

And now upon this day come into open Court James F. Aldrich, one of the Defendants in this suit and George D. Foster his security, and enter into the following Recognizance, according to the Statute in such case made and provided, to wit—

We James F. Aldrich and George F. Foster do severally acknowledge ourselves to owe and be indebted unto John H. Dunham and Henry H. Hinsdale their heirs executors administrators or assigns in the sum of Eleven hundred and one dollars and Seventy nine cents lawful money of the United States to be levied and made of our Lands and tenements goods and chattels, Yet this recognizance to be void on condition that the said James F. Aldrich shall pay or cause to be paid the amount of the judgment and costs which may be rendered in the suit of said Dunham and Hinsdale Plaintiffs against Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B. Medbery, John W. Medbery, William Aldrich and James F. Aldrich in attachment now pending and undetermined in the Cook County Court of Common Pleas

on a final Trial thereof, within Ninety days after such judgment shall be rendered, then and in that case this recognizance to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

And thereupon it is Ordered by the Court that the Attachment in the above entitled suit be dissolved, and the property taken thereunder be restored by the Sheriff to said Defendants, and all proceedings against the garnishees in this case be set aside.

And thereafter to wit on the twenty seventh day of March being another of the days of the said February Term of said Court A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five, the following proceedings were had and taken, in said cause, and entered of Record, to wit:

John H. Dunham and

Henry W. Hinckley ..

vs,

Nezekiah H. Smith, Martin

B. Medbery, John W. Medbery

William Aldrich and James

J. Aldrich.

Attachment.

And now come the said Plaintiffs by Goodrich & Scoville their Attorneys, and the said Defendants by Mather & Taft their Attorneys also come and issue being joined herein it is Ordered that a Jury come, and thereupon a Jury come of good and lawful men to wit

S. M. Johnson, R. M. Fisk, Orson Felt, D. N. Chappel,
Theodore Hubbard, Lyman Staples, Thomas Hill, William
H. Shattuck, Jacob Sauter, Daniel Hall, Charles Douglass,
& George L. Ross who being duly elected tried and sworn
well and truly to try the issue joined as aforesaid after

hearing the testimony adduced argument of counsel and instructions of the Court retire to consider of their Verdict and the hour of adjournment having arrived, it is by consent of said parties Ordered that when the Jury shall have agreed upon a Verdict they may reduce the same to writing sign & seal it and afterwards be permitted to separate, and that they meet the Court to morrow morning -

And thereafter to wit on the twenty eighth day of the same month of March being another of the days of the said February Term of said Court A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five the following proceedings were had and taken, in said cause, and entered of Record, to wit,

John H. Dunham &
Henry W. Husted

(u.s.)
Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin

B. Medbery, John H. Medbery

William Aldrich & James F.

Aldrich

Attainment.

And now again come the parties aforesaid by their said Attorneys and the Jury impanelled in this cause also come and say we the Jury find the issue for the Plaintiffs and we assess their damages to the sum of One thousand and forty one dollars and Seventeen cents And thereupon said Plaintiffs enter a remittitur of the sum of Fifteen dollars on the Verdict of the Jury herein. Also the said Defendants enter their motion herein for a new trial in this cause which is thereupon overruled by the Court to which the said Defendants enter their

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Exceptions Thereupon it is considered that the said Plaintiffs do have and recover of the said Defendants their damages of One thousand and forty one dollars and seventeen cents less the sum of Fifteen dollars permitted on the Verdict of the Jury herein in form aforesaid, by the Jury here aforesaid and also their costs and charges by them about their suit in this behalf expended and have Execution therefor.

And Thereupon to wit on the thirty first day of March being another of the days of the said February Term of said Court A. D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five the following proceedings were had and taken, in said cause, and entered of Record, to wit.

John H. Dunham and
Henry W. Hinsdale
H. C. Smith et al. }
{ Attest

And now upon this day come the said Defendant James F. Aldrich by his said Attorneys Mather & Taft and prays an Appeal in this Cause to the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois which is allowed on his filing Bond with the usual conditions in the sum of Two thousand dollars with George F. Foster as security and time is given said Defendant to prepare and file his Bill of Exceptions herein to the first day of May next.

And thereafter to wit on the thirty first day of March A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty five the said defendants by their said Attorneys filed their Bond on Appeal in the Office of the Clerk of said Court which said Bond is in words and figures as follows to wit.

Know all Men by these presents That we James F. Aldrich & George F. Foster of the City of Chicago are held and firmly bound unto John H. Dunham and Henry W. Hinsdale in the sum of Two thousand Dollars to be paid to the said Dunham and Hinsdale and for the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our and each of our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seals and Dated this thirty first day of March A. D. 1855.

The Condition of the foregoing obligation is such that whereas the said John H. Dunham and Henry W. Hinsdale did on the twenty eighth day of March instant recover a judgment against the above bounden James F. Aldrich, together with Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B. Medbury, John H. Medbury, and William Aldrich in the Cook County Court of Common Pleas in an action of Cessumpsit for one thousand and twenty six dollars & seventeen cents damages and costs of suit And whereas the said James F. Aldrich hath prayed for and obtained an appeal from such Judgment to the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois returnable to the said Supreme Court to be held at Ottawa in the third grand division of said State on the second Monday in June next.

Now if the said James F. Aldrich shall duly prosecute his Appeal & pay to the said Dunham and

Hudson such judgment costs interest and damages as shall be awarded by the said Supreme Court in case the said Judgment shall be affirmed, then the foregoing obligation to be void also to remain in full force and effect.

James T. Aldrich

(J.T.)

Approved

George T. Foster

(G.T.)

John M. Wilson.

And thereafter to wit on the first day of May A.D. Eighteen hundred and fifty five the said Defendants by their said Attorneys filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court their Bill of Exceptions which is in words and figures as follows to wit—

John H. Dunham and

Henry M. Hudson

(es)

Hezekiah St. Smith, Martin

B. Medberry, John H. Medberry

William Aldrich and James

J. Aldrich

The Cook County Court
of Common Pleas.

Be it remembered that on the 27th day of March in the year 1855 being one of the days of the February Term of said court in the year 1855 this cause coming on to be heard before the Hon. John M. Wilson, Judge of said court and a Jury the Plaintiffs to prove the case on their behalf called as a witness.

Thomas P. Dunham, who being duly sworn testified that he was Clerk for the Plaintiffs (T. H. Dunham & Co.) & sold the Goods mentioned in the Bill of items shown him (being the Bill of items filed by the Plaintiffs with their Declaration in this suit which Bill of items

was handed to the witness I sold said Goods to James F. Aldrich of the firm of Aldrich Smith & Co. said Aldrich bought the Goods in person & the prices charged are as agreed.

The following is a copy of the Bill of items referred to by the Witness

Chicago

March 23rd. 1854

Messrs Smith, Aldrich & Co.

Bought of A. H. Durham & Co.

Wholesale Grocers

Terms Cash. Nos 92 and 93 South Water Street.

2 doz Brooms	18/-	4.50
2 , do	14/-	3.50
3 Bottles Ink	4/-	1.00
1 Box Cream Tartar	10/-	40/- 4.00
April 3 1 Hba Sugar	13/-	13.50
50 Bags Salt	17	8.50
1 Brl 24. Crushed Sugar	142	9/- 13.44
2 Malls Cassia	8/-	42 3.47
3 Bags Shot	16/-	4.00
2 Boxes Clothes Pins	12/-	3.00
2 , Mop Handles	8/-	2.00
2 , Sugar Boxes	18/-	4.50
1 , Raisins	3/-	3.45
1 Keg do	5/-	12 6.00
	Dray	5/- 104.57
Apr. 18 6 Boxes Handled	25/-	33.00
6 Bags Shot	16/-	12.00
2 Malls	2/-	1.25
15 th Spur Bag 24	17	2.80
2 doz Brooms	14/-	3.50

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2 doz Brooms		16/-	14.00
4 Reams Paper		5/-	2.50
4 Do. Do		4/-	2.00
2 Do. Do		8/-	2.00
2 Do. Do		12/-	3.00
1 Box Mustard		12/-	1.50
1 Brl 2/- Smoking Tobacco	4/-	7	3.19
1 " 4/- Day Do	7/-	10	7.85

Dray .25 78.84

1 Hhd Sugar	908 90	818/-	14 1/2 36.81
1 Brl 2/- fine Smoking tobacco	66 1/2	10	6.90
1 " 2/- Common Day Do	100	6 1/2	6.75
1/2 " 2/- fine Do Do	41	8 1/2	3.73
25 Bags Salt		17	4.25
2 " Louisville Apples	236/-	9/-	12.05
5 " Bisc Do	368/-	11 1/2	22.94 93.43
May 27 1 Brl 2/- N.C. Sugar	218/-	4 1/4	10.55
1 " 4/- Hhd A "	208/-	6 1/2	13.77
1 Bag Coffee	168/-	11 1/4	18.90
1/2 Chet Kate Days Tea	83 83 67	4/-	33.50
1 Box 2/- Larderates	100/-	5 1/2	5.75
5 1/2 Caps		4 1/2	2.25
1 Brt Islay Liqueur	5/-	1/2	20.40
1 Box 2/- Candles	4/-	13 1/2	5.92

Dray .35 111.42

4 Doz Brooms		20/-	10.00
6 Bags Apples	340	11/-	21.25
9 Brts Coarse Salt	380 1/2 lb ca 22/- per 280/-		28.26
1 Doz Brooms		17	2.18

Dray .25 61.89

22 25 Bags Salt		2 17	4.25
1 Hhd Sugar	1244 - 1242 1120.	4 1/2	50.40
200 Codfish		4 1/2	9.00

27.	1	Btl 2½ Cackers	67	@	7	4.94	68.00	59
July 1	1	Reg Powder				5.00		
	2	Bags Buckshot			19/	4.75	10.00	25
, 82	1	Apples	164		12/	13.00	18	
	1	Btl 2½ Caffer B. Sugar	226		7.44	17.77		
	1	Gatty Living Age * 15% Tea	15½		65	10.08		
	50	" Codfish			4½	2.25		
	1	Bag Coffe	80		11	8.00		
	14	M. Oregon Cigars			828	7.00	88.00	08
	1	Bags 4½ Vinegar	39 1/2		12	11.94		
	2	Bags Peaches	204		13	26.52		
	6	" Apples	300		10/	17.04		
	1	Reg Prunes	117		7½	8.77		
	4	Boxes Matches			7/	3.50		
	1	" Ink			9/	1.13		
	4	Cheeses	146		11	15.33		
	1	Btl 2½ Peaches	66		13	8.83		
	1	Ream Paper			5/	.63		
					Dray	~37	87.00	

July 26	1	Box 3½ Codfish	336		4/4	14.66		
	1	Btl Crackers				6.00		
	4	Doz. Brooms			18/	9.00		
	100	Bags Salt			17	17.00		
	2	Boxes 2½ Soap	130		4.34	6.67		
	50	Bar Lead			7½	3.75		
	3	4lb G. D. Caps			45	1.35		
	3	Bags Shot			16/	6.00		
Aug 8.	1	Tha No. Sugar			Dray	50	64.93	
			112b. 112. 1014			5	50.70	
	4	Bts 4½ Vinegar	155		12/	20.60		
					Dray	6/	~75	72.00
	14	1 Reg Powder				5.50		
	2	Bags Shot				16/	4.00	
	1	Btl 2½ Matches	51½		20/	10.50		

2 Boxes Chees	¹³⁶ <u>14</u>	122	10 12 " 20
1 Bag $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Rice	²⁴⁷ <u>19</u>	228	$5\frac{1}{4}$ 12 " 22
1 Bag $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Pepper		25	$1\frac{1}{2}$ 3 " 38
1 Doy. Brooms			<u>20</u> 2 " 50 50 " 35
Augt 23 5. Boxes $\frac{1}{2}$ Soap		128	5 14. 65
3. Bar $\frac{1}{2}$ Galeratus		300	$5\frac{1}{2}$ 17. 25
1. Keg $\frac{1}{2}$ L. Lead		100	10 10. 38
			Dray <u>38</u> 45 " 66
1 Brd $\frac{1}{2}$ Crackers		73	7 5. 36
1 " " $\frac{1}{2}$ Ch. & Sugar	258		$5\frac{1}{2}$ 14 " 44
1 " " $\frac{1}{2}$ Coffee &	do 230		8 18 " 65
1 Hd Sugar	124.4	124. - 1120	$5\frac{1}{2}$ 61. 60
2 Kegs Lard	²³⁸ 36	202	10 20. 20
			Dray <u>50</u>
			120 " 75

Sept
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Street

14 " 47

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By L. Brown

\$ 1125. 16

\$ 1088. 19

69. 38

New balance \$ 1018. 81
after striking out
\$ 69. 38 item
above

was handed to the witness) sold said Goods to James F. Aldrich of the firm of Aldrich, Smith & Co. - Said Aldrich bought the Goods in person & the prices charged are as agreed.

* On his Cross Examination by the Counsel for Defendant witness stated that Aldrich to whom he sold the Goods resided here in Chicago & was the only person he sold the Goods to, witness did not know where the other Defendants resided; speaks of the firm from general reputation only. Question. Do you personally know them to be partners? Answer. No, I do not."

On the Plaintiffs attempting to prove by this witness that the Defendants were partners, Defendants Counsel objected on the ground that such partnership was in no manner or form averred or stated in the Declaration. The Court decided that the Plaintiffs might prove that fact by this or any other witness. The Defendants counsel excepted. In answer to a question for that purpose by Pliffs Counsel, witness stated he did not know the other Defendants at all, except by what Aldrich said, nor that they were partners, except by general reputation.

Geo. B. Tast one of Dfts Atlys being then called by Pliffs to prove the Partnership of defendants & sworn testified that he knew nothing of the supposed partnership, except by general reputation, all he knew was from Aldrich & as counsel also

R. M. Miller was then called by Pliffs to prove Partnership of Defendants (the objection by Dfts Counsel of want of that averment in Narr. being overruled & exception thereto) who being sworn testified that the Defendants on the 23 March 1856 constituted

two firms as partners, all were members of each firm, one in Chicago in the lumber business another at Two Rivers Wisconsin where they manufactured lumber and sold goods; that James F. Aldrich was the active member and manager of the business in Chicago, he did the buying of supplies here and was in the habit of sending the same up in the country, supplies on being purchased here by him were generally marked for Two Rivers taken to Vessel to be forwarded or sometimes to their place of business in Chicago. witness don't know of any goods purchased by them of Dunham. witness went there (Two Rivers) as Clerk for Defts in April 1853 & stayed till April 1854. The different members composing the firm have all been here in Chicago, but at different times, not all at once. The Books of the concern were taken up to Two Rivers yearly & then settled. I saw the different members of the firm at the office here doing business talking it over. They kept a general assortment of Goods (dry) groceries and provisions.

Crops Examined by Defts Counsel

I know nothing of any goods being bought of Dunham & Co. Two Rivers is in Wisconsin. Aldrich (J.F.) is said also become a member of a firm in Michigan. Thomas J. Dunham recalled by witness testified. The goods were sent from our Store to Aldrich's lumber yard in Chicago & sometimes directly to a Vessel just as he ordered. I don't know as I ever saw any other member of the firm. The goods were billed to Aldrich, Smith & Co. Aldrich said the goods were to go to Two Rivers.

Crops Examined by Defts Counsel as to his knowledge of the items charged & making up the account, witness answered that he sold March 23rd 1854 goods sugars

and groceries, but could not tell the items particularly. I cannot tell and do not remember independently of this Bill drawn off (referring the original bill of items shown him then and now referred) the particular goods or the prices &c &c Questioned as to a charge of Lard in Aug. 1854. Witness said he (Aldrich) bought some Lard there either himself personally or sent an order for it, can't say which. Questioned as to charges Dated July 8. 1854 Witness can't say whether Aldrich was in Chicago at this time or not. Questioned as to items, under date July 12. 1854. witness answered can't tell the items he bought general groceries at different times.

Questioned as to June 5. 1854. witness says, I cannot say I myself packed up the Goods all of them or not. The last I saw of the Goods was on the dray being sent to deliver. I was never at the place of business of Defendants, either here in Chicago, or at Two Rivers. I can't tell and don't know whether Aldrich bought personally at any given time mentioned in the bill or sent an order nor can I tell any prices from memory independent of the Memorandum on the bill as carried out
Re Examined by Plaintiff's Counsel.

The prices charged on the Bill are Merchantable prices for such goods at the times stated in the Bill of items. Aldrich ordered us to send goods to his lumber yard or to Nepeb. The last Bill I can't say whether he got personally or not. Aug. 15. 6^o by L. Brown. Don't know what it was for.

Cross Examined by defense counsel

I cannot tell the amount of goods sold to Aldrich independent of the Memorandum or bill of items.

Re Examined by Pliffs Counsel. Aldrich directed us when

his men came to let them have the goods

Cross Examined. - I knew only one of the men by sight
not by name, he used to come, I don't know of any
others coming.

This was all the testimony in the case.

The Pliffs requested the Court to instruct the
Jury as follows.

If the Jury shall believe from the evidence that
said Defendants as partners together doing business in
Chicago and as such partners purchased goods of the
Plaintiffs and directed them to be sent to their place
of business by a drayman, and they were so
purchased & sent by a drayman, then the Defendants
are liable for the price of said goods and interest
from the commencement of the suit.

The Court gave such instruction, to which
defendants counsel excepted.

The Defendants requested the Court to instruct
the Jury as appears in the 2 following instructions
which were both refused by the court and the
counsel for Defendants excepted thereto in each case.

That the Plaintiffs not having averred in declaration
that the Dfts were partners, cannot in this case
recover without showing that the goods in question
were sold to or came to the possession and use of the
Defendants jointly or to every one of the Defendants or
to the use of the firm consisting of the Defendants.

That a Sale and delivery to Aldrich & proof of
Partnership is not sufficient to authorize a Verdict
for Plaintiffs.

The Jury having retired from the bar under charge
of an Officer, duly sworn, returned and rendered their
Verdict for the Plaintiffs for \$ 1026⁷⁰ Damages.

Whereupon the Defts moved for a new trial, which Motion the Court afterwards on the day of March A. D. 1855 being one of the days of said Term of said Court overruled & to which decision of the Court overruling said Motion the said Defendants by their Attorneys excepted & pray the Court to sign & seal this Bill of Exceptions which is done in open Court

John M. Wilson

(Seal)

State of Illinois
County of Cook } S. S.

I Walter Kimball Clerk of the Cook County Court of Common Pleas within and for said County and State Do hereby Certify that the foregoing is a full true and correct Transcript of the Original papers and also of the Orders entered of Record in said Court now on file in my Office in the case of John H. Dunham and another against Hezekiah H. Smith, Martin B. Medbery and others.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of said Court at Chicago in said County this Seventh day of June A. D. 1855.

Walter Kimball, Clerk



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Pliffs Instruction

If the Jury shall believe from the evidence that said defendants as partners were doing business in Chicago, & as such partners purchased goods of the plaintiffs, & directed them to be sent to their place of business by a drayman, & they were so purchased & sent by a dray man, then the deft. are liable for the price of said goods, & interest from the commencement of the suit.

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Shaw & Danham

Smith Advertiser
as
J. H. Dunham and Depts.

That the plaintiffs not having averred in declaration, that the depts were partners, cannot in this case recover without showing that the goods in question were sold to or came to the possession & use of the defendants, jointly or to every one of the ~~the~~ defendants, or to the use of the firm consisting of the defendants.

2 That mere evidence of partnership of the depts, & the sale of the goods to one of the firm, is not evidence sufficient for plff. to recover upon unless you believe from evidence that the goods actually came to the use of all the defendants, as partners or otherwise.

Refined
That a sale & delivery to Adrich & proof of partnership is not sufficient to authorize a verdict for plff.

Refined
That a witness may look at a memorandum to refresh his recollection but such witness must testify independent of such memorandum, & never be & testify to the sale & delivery of these goods, the quantity, quality & pieces of

the price of said goods, & interest
from the commencement of the suit.

To the giving of which instruction, the defendants, by their counsel
then & there excepted -

The defendants, by their counsel,
then asked the Court to instruct
the Jury as follows, to wit:

1 "That the plaintiffs not having averred in declaration that the debt were partners, cannot in this case recover without showing that the goods in question were sold to, or came to the possession & use of all the partners jointly or to every one of them."

which instruction the Court refused to give as asked, & the defendants counsel excepted -

The Court then gave to the jury said instruction altered so as to read as follows, to wit;

"That the plaintiffs not having averred in declaration that the debt were partners, cannot in this case recover without showing that the goods in question were sold to or came to the possession

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& use of the defendants jointly or to every one of the defendants, or to the use of the firm consisting of the defendants."

To the giving of which instruction as altered by the Court, the defendants, by their counsel, then & there excepted -

The defendants, by their counsel then asked the Court to instruct the Jury as follows, to wit,

2^d That mere evidence of partnership of the debt, & the sale of the goods to one of the firm, is no evidence sufficient for plff. to recover upon, unless plffs prove the goods actually came to the use of all the copartners at their place of business -

which instruction the Court refused to give as asked, & to which refusal of the court to give the same, the defendants by their counsel excepted -

The court then gave to the Jury the last instruction, aforesaid.

altered so as to read as follows,
to wit;

"That mere evidence of part-
nership of the defts, & the sale
of the goods to one of the firm, is
not evidence sufficient for peff
to recover upon, unless you be-
lieve from evidence that the goods
actually came to the use of all the
defendants as partners or otherwise."

To the giving of which in-
struction as altered, the defendants
by their counsel, then & there excepted.

The defendants counsel then
asked the Court to give to the
jury the two following instructions,
to wit-

3^d "That a sale & delivery to
Aldrich a proof of partnership is
not sufficient to authorize a verdict
for peff."

4th "That a witness may look
at a memorandum to refresh his
recollection, but such witness
^{testify independent of such memoranda &} must
remember and testify
to the sale and delivery of these
goods, the quantity, quality &

Given

Rejected

Rejected

prices of the goods independent
of any memoranda, paper or
account which he may look at
to refresh his recollection -

both of which instructions
the court refused to give, & to
which refusal of the court to
give each of said instructions,
the defendants, by their counsel
excepted -

The above, & foregoing
were all the instructions asked
of the court, & all refused &
given by the court, on the trial
of this cause, aforesaid; And
it is stipulated, & agreed that
the same may be used in the
cause in the Supreme Court the
same as if incorporated in the
record, & that this stipulation
shall be considered as a part
of the record in said cause -

Dated July 12. 1853
Diley Mather & Daff
Atts for Daff

Goodrich & Scoville
Atts for Peffs-

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Dunham et al
ad
Smith Aldrich et al
Stipulation

Filed July 14. 1855.
J. C. Leland & Co.