

No. 12918

Supreme Court of Illinois

Slyfield

vs.

Trowbridge et al

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United States of America }

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF COOK, S. S.

Pleas, before the Honorable George Mauier

Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois, and Sole Presiding Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, in the State aforesaid, and at a term thereof begun and held at the Court House in the City of Chicago, in said County, on the Fourth Monday, (being the Twenty eighth day) of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight and of the Independence of the said United States the Eighty second, pursuant to an order made and entered at a former term thereof appointing said term. Present, Honorable George Mauier Judge of the 7th Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois.

Carlos Haven States Attorney.

John S. Wilson Sheriff of Cook County.

Attest;

Wm. Church

Clerk.

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defendant on the twenty second day of May
in the year one thousand eight hundred and
fifty six at Chicago - to wit at Cook county
in the State of Illinois aforesaid made a
certain note in writing commonly called a
promissory note bearing date the day and
year last aforesaid and then and theredeliv-
ered the said note to Luther S Slyfield by
which said note the said defendant promised
to pay the order of Luther S Slyfield twenty
four months after the date thereof the sum of
three hundred dollars with interest at the
rate of seven per cent per annum at the
Bank of R H Swift & Co for value received.

And the said Luther S Slyfield to whom or
to whose order the payment of the said sum of
money in the said note specified was to be
made as aforesaid afterwards and before the
payment of the said sum of money mentioned
in the said note or any part thereof and also
before the time limited and appointed by the
said note for the payment thereof to wit on the
same day and year and at the place aforesaid
endorsed the said note in writing and by that
endorsement ordered and appointed the
contents of the said note to be paid to the said
plaintiff or order and then and there delivered
the said note so endorsed to the said plaintiff

of which said endorsement so made thereon as aforesaid, the said defendants, afterwards to wit: on the same day and year and at the place aforesaid, had notice. By reason whereof, and by force of the Statute in such case made and provided, the said defendants became liable to pay to the said plaintiff the said sum of money in the said note specified, according to the tenor and effect of the said note and of the said endorsement so thereon made as aforesaid, and being so liable, the said defendants in consideration thereof afterwards to wit: on the same day and year and at the place aforesaid, undertook, and faithfully promised the said plaintiff well and truly to pay unto the said plaintiff the said sum of money in the said note specified, according to the tenor and effect of the said note, and of the said endorsement so thereon made as aforesaid = And whereas also, the said defendants, afterwards to wit: on the tenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight at the place aforesaid were indebted to the said plaintiff in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, lawful money, of the United States of America, for money before that time lent and advanced by the said plaintiff to the said defendants and at the special instance

and request of the said defendants. And for other
money by the said plaintiff to the said defendants
before that time paid, laid out, and expended
for the said defendants and at the like request
of the said defendants. And for other money
by the said defendants before that time
had and received to and for the use of the
said plaintiff. And being so indebted, the
said defendants in consideration thereof,
afterwards - Do vit on the same day and
year, ^{last aforesaid} and at the place aforesaid, undertaken,
and then and there faithfully promised the
said plaintiff well and truly to pay unto
the said plaintiff the sum of money in this
Court mentioned, when the said defendants
should be therunto afterwards requested. And
whereas also the said defendants afterwards, to
vit, on the same day and year last aforesaid,
and at the place aforesaid, accounted together
with the said plaintiff of and concerning
divers other sums of money before that time
due and owing from the said defendants
to the said plaintiff and then and there
being in arrear and unpaid, and upon
such accounting the said defendants then
and there were found to be in arrear and
unpaid aforesaid after such accounting
indebted to the said plaintiff in the
further sum of Five Hundred Dollars of

like lawful money as aforesaid. And being so found in arrear and indebted to the said plaintiff the said defendants in consideration thereof afterwards to wit on the same day and year last aforesaid and at the place aforesaid undertook and then and there faithfully promised the said plaintiff well and truly to pay unto the said plaintiff the said sum of money last mentioned when the said defendants should be therunto afterwards requested. Nevertheless the said defendants (although often requested so to wit at the time when the said note became due and payable according to the tenor and effect thereof and oftentimes since so to wit at the place aforesaid) have not yet paid the said several sums of money above mentioned or any or either of them or any part thereof to the said plaintiff but to pay the same or any part thereof to the said plaintiff the said defendants have hitherto altogether refused and still do refuse to the damage of the said plaintiff Five Hundred dollars and therefore the said plaintiff bring suit &c.

Burgess and Hawley
Plaintiffs attys.

State sued upon and sole cause of action

\$307⁰⁰

May 22nd 1856

Twenty four months after date we

promise to pay to the order of Suther & Slyfield Three Hundred Dollars at R.R.
Swift & Co Bank Chicago value received

Rowbridge, King and Swan
Endorsed on the back of said note as follows

"Suther & Slyfield"

And thereupon afterwards - to wit on the
same day and year last aforesaid the said
plaintiff sued out of the Clerk of the court
aforesaid The Peoples writ of summons directed
to the Sheriff of Cook County to execute and
clothed in the words and figures following
- D. Wit:

State of Illinois
County of Cook J^{ss}

The People of the State of Illinois
to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting!

We command you that you summon
Alv. Rowbridge, Thomas King and James
Swan if they shall be found in your County
personally to be and appear before the Circuit
Court of Cook County, on the first day of the
next term thereof, to be holden at the court
House in Chicago in said County on the fourth
Monday of June inst. to answer unto
Henry J. Slyfield in a plea of trespass on the
case on promises to the damage of the said
plaintiff as is said in the sum of Five
Hundred Dollars = And have you therewit

there this writ, with an endorsement thereon
in what manner you shall have executed
the same.



Witness, William S Church, Clerk of
our said Court, and the seal thereof,
at Chicago, aforesaid this Sixteenth
day of June A D 1858,

Wm Church Clerk

And afterwards - to wit on the 17th day of June
in the year last aforesaid said writ was return-
ed into the Court aforesaid by said Sheriff
endorsed, as follows - D. wt.

Served by reading
to the within named Alva Snowbridge and
James Swan the other not found in my con-
-try the 17th day of June 1858 "Ses 2 serice 100
2 mile 10 1 Return 10 = 12 0. Pd by plff atyp.

John S Wilson Sheriff By S Miles Deputy

And therupon afterwards - to wit on the 29th
day of June in the year last aforesaid the said
defendants by Brown and Remy on their
attorneys filed in said court their certain
Pleas to the said plaintiffs Declaration, which
are in the words and figures following - to wit
State of Illinois County of Cook ss.

And the said
defendants by Brown & Remy on 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 plaintiff hath above hereof com-
plained against them. and of this they put
themselves upon the country &c.

Brown and Rinyon

Defts Atty

And for a further plea in this behalf the said
defendants say that the said plaintiff ought
not to have or maintain his aforesaid action
thereof against them, because they say that
said note declared on in said Declaration is
the property of one S S Slyfield and not
the pl~~aintiff~~ property of said plaintiff as
is therein alledged and this the said defen-
dants are ready to verify - Wherefore they pray
judgment if the said plaintiff ought to have
or maintain his aforesaid action thereof
against them &c Brown and Rinyon

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And for a further plea in this behalf the
said defendants say that the said plaintiff
ought not to have or maintain his aforesaid
action thereof against them, because they
say, that there was an entire failure of
Consideration for said note declared on in
the declaration in this suit of which
fact said plaintiff had notice before and
at the time of said note being endorsed
to him and this the said defendants are

ready to verify - Wherefore they pray Judgment if the said plaintiff ought to have or maintain his aforesaid action thereof against them

&c. Brown and Ruyon Deft Atlys

And for a further Plea in this behalf the said defendants say. that the said plaintiff ought not to have or maintain their aforesaid action thereof against them because they say. that said note in said Declaration mentioned was not endorsed to said plaintiff until after the same became due and payable. and that it was then received by said plaintiff from the payee thereof with notice that there was no consideration. and that said defendants intended to avail themselves of their defense thereto. because of said notes want of Consideration and this the said defendants are ready to verify - Wherefore they pray Judgment if the said plaintiff ought to have or maintain his aforesaid action thereof against them &c.

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Defts Atlys.

And thereupon afterwards - to wit on the 1st day of July in the year last aforesaid the said plaintiff by his attorneys aforesaid filed in said Court his certain Replication and Demurrer to the said Defendants Pleas which are in the words and figures following - to wit

having heard arguments of counsel as well
on the part of the said plaintiff as of the
said defendants on the demurrer of the said
plaintiff to the said defendants plea to
their said declaration herein pleaded, and
being fully advised in the premises now finds
that the said plea of the said defendants is not
sufficient in law to bar or preclude the said
plaintiff from having and maintaining his
said action against the said defendants.
Therefore it is ordered that said demurres be
and the same hereby is sustained. Whereupon
the said defendants elect to stand by their
said plea.

And afterwards to wit: at the term
last aforesaid, to wit; on the 19th day of July
in the year last aforesaid. the following proced-
=ings, among others, were had and entered of
record therein in said cause, to wit:

This day
again come the said plaintiff by Burges
and Hawley his attorneys, and the said defen-
dants by Brown and Rungow their attorneys
also come, and by agreement of said parties
now here given in open Court, the trial of the
matter at issue herein, between the said par-
ties is submitted to the Court, and the inter-
vention of a jury waived and the Court after
hearing the evidence adduced by the said

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parties, and the arguments of Counsel as well
on the part of the said plaintiff as of the said
defendants, and being fully advised in the
premises, now finds the issues herein for the said
plaintiff and assesses his damages to the sum
of Three hundred and forty five dollars and
thirty two cents. = Whereupon the said defen-
dants Counsel moves the Court for a new
trial of this Cause. And the Court after hear-
ing arguments of Counsel on said motion, as
well on the part of the said plaintiff as of
the said defendants, and being fully advised
in the premises, now orders that said motion be
and the same hereby is overruled, to which
the said defendants by their Counsel now
here except, = Therefore it is considered that
said plaintiff do have and recover of the
\$345.32 said defendants his damages of Three hundred
and forty five dollars and thirty two cents,
in form as aforesaid assessed together with his
Costs and charges by him about his suit
in this behalf expended, and have execution
therefor, = Whereupon the said defendants by
their Counsel except and pray an appeal to
the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, which
is granted by the Court on condition that the
said defendant by the 21st day of July instant
execute and file with the Clerk of this Court
their appeal Bond herein in the penal sum of

Seven hundred dollars. Conditioned ^{according to law} with Sondas B Walker their surety thereto. And on motion of the said defendants it is ordered that they have till the 21st day of July instant to file their Bill of exceptions herin.

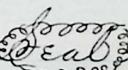
And afterwards = to wit on the 21st day of July in the year last aforesaid said defendants filed in said Court their appeal Bond for the Supreme Court which is in the words and figures following = to wit:

I Know all men by these presents that we Alva Trowbridge James H Swan Thomas King of Cook County and Sondas B Walker are held and firmly boundants Henry J Slyfield in the penal sum of seven hundred dollars lawful money of the United States the payment of which well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs executors administrators and assigns jointly severally and firmly by these presents Given under our hands and seals this 21st day of July A D 1858.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas on the 19th day of July A D 1858 in the Circuit Court of Cook County State of Illinois a judgment was rendered against the above bondmen Alva Trowbridge James H Swan and Thomas

Wring and in favour of said Henry J
Slyfield for the sum of three hundred and
forty five dollars and thirty two cents and
costs of suit from which said judgment said
defendants have taken an appeal to the
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.

Now therefore if said defendants shall
prosecute their suit with effect, and in
case of failure therein or said judgment
be affirmed. shall pay or cause the same
to be paid together with all costs. interest
and damage. that this obligation to be
void. otherwise to remain in full force and
virtue.

In presence of Alva Snowbridge 
Jas H. Swan 

State of Illinois, }
COUNTY OF COOK. }
s. s.

I, WILLIAM L. CHURCH, Clerk of the Circuit
Court of Cook County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby
certify the above and foregoing, to be a true, perfect and complete
~~copy of the writ and of the pleading filed and~~
~~proceeding had and of record kept and~~
~~in a certain cause lately pending in said Court on the~~
~~common law side thereof, wherein Henry J~~
~~Slyfield was plaintiff~~

Alva Snowbridge ~~et al were~~ defendants

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of our
said Court at Chicago, this thirty first day of March A. D. 1859

Mar. 3, 85

W. L. Church

Clerk.

Henry J. Slyfield

as 292

Alva Howbridge

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