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No. _____

Supreme Court of Illinois

Jack.

vs.

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Rock Island Co.

Charles Jack.

vs.
Liberty Stimpson.

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Prepared

State of Illinois ⁵⁵

Supreme Court
To the June Term of the
third grand Division.

Charles Jacks, plf in Error
Liberty ^{vs.} Stimpson, deft in Error
Error to Rock Island County.

And now comes the said plaintiff
in error by his attorney and says that
in the record and proceedings in the
said cause and in the rendition of judg-
ment in the said cause before and in
the Circuit Court of said Rock Island
County there is ~~fatal~~ ^{manifest} and manifold error.
And the said plaintiff in error shows
to the court here, and assigns upon
the record of the said cause the following
errors to wit:

1. The said Circuit Court erred in ren-
dering judgment in said cause for the
said Stimpson and against the said Jack.
2. The court ^{erred} in permitting illegal evi-
dence to go to the jury which was offered
by the said Stimpson and objected to
by the said Jack, and to the prejudice
of the said Jack.
3. The court erred in excluding proper
evidence offered by the said Jack and
objected to by said Stimpson to the preju-
dice of said Jack.
4. The court erred in overruling the
said Jack's motion for a new trial
in said cause.
5. The court erred in overruling the

- said Jacks motion in arrest of judgment in said cause -
6. The court erred in refusing to give the jury the said Jacks first instruction by him prayed.
 7. The court erred in refusing the said Jacks third instruction by him prayed.
 - 8th. The court erred in refusing the said Jacks seventh instruction by him prayed.
 9. The court erred in refusing the said Jacks ninth instruction by him prayed.
 10. The court erred in refusing the said Jacks tenth instruction by him prayed.
 - 11th. The court erred in refusing the said Jacks twelfth instruction by him prayed.
 12. The court erred in giving the said Stimpsons third instruction prayed.
 13. The court erred in giving the said Stimpsons fourth instruction as prayed.
 14. The court erred in giving the said Stimpsons second instruction as prayed.
- Wherefore for the errors aforesaid and others in the record and judgment, and proceedings in said cause the said Jacks prays that the said judgment of the said Circuit Court may by consideration of the court here be set aside

annulled and for nothing held
or esteemed
Manning & Beardsley
Atty for plf in Error

Let a supersedeas issue in this suit upon the plaintiff in
Error filing a bond as the law requires in the penal
sum of thirteen hundred dollars with E Burwell
his security & filing this record

Ottawa May 26th 1852

J. B. Eaton

And the said Defendant in Error comes
and says that in the Records and proce-
dings aforesaid and in the rendition of the
Judgment aforesaid there is no error where-
fore he prays that the said Judgment may
be in all things affirmed

June 30th 1852

J. B. Eaton
Def's Atty

at a Term of the circuit Court begun and held at
the Court House in the city of Rock Island, within
and for the county of Rock Island and State
of Illinois, on Monday the third day of
November A.D. 1851. To Wit on the seventeenth (17)
day of November 1851 as yet of the said
Term before the Hon. Ira C. Wilkinson Presiding
Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit in the State
of Illinois:

Be it Remembered that heretofore To Wit: on
the Eighth day of October A.D. 1850, Charles Jackson
caused to be filed in the clerk's office of our said
Court, a certain transcript of the record and
proceedings had at a circuit court begun and held
for Henry County State of Illinois on the twenty third
day of April A.D. 1848, in a certain suit instituted
by Liberty Stimpson against said Charles Jackson
before the Hon. Benjamin R. Sheldon then Judge of
the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois.

Which said transcript is in the words and figures
following to Wit:

State of Illinois } Circuit Court
Henry County } ss Pleas Before the Honorable
Benjamin R. Sheldon, Judge of the Sixth Judicial
Circuit of the State of Illinois, At a circuit Court
begun and held for Henry County, in said State
at the Court House in the Town of Cambridge on
Monday the Twenty third day of April in the year

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and forty nine -

Present the Honorable Benjamin R. Sheldon
Judge, Henry B. Stillman Esquire State Attorney,
Mathew B. Potter Esquire ~~State~~ Sheriff,
Samuel P. Brainard Esquire Clerk -

Be it Remembered that heretofore
To Wit on the 12th day of April A.D. 1849. The
following summons was issued viz. The people of
the State of Illinois to the Sheriff of Henry County
Greeting: We command you to summon
Charles Jackson if he may be found in your county
to appear before our circuit court on the first day
of the Term thereof, to be held at Cambridge
within and for the said County of Henry on the
4th Monday in April 1849. then and there in our
said Court to answer unto Liberty Stimpson in
a Plea of Trespass on the case; Damages \$ 500.00
and make return of this writ with an endorsement
of time and manner of serving the same on or before
the first day of the Term of the said Court to be
held as aforesaid:

Witness Sam P. Brainard Clerk of
our said Court and the seal thereof at Cambridge
this 12th day of April in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

(Signature)

Sam. P. Brainard Clerk

Endorsed on the same is the following, "Served the
within April 18-1849 by reading - returned April
23/49

(Signature)
M. B. Potter, Sheriff
by M. B. Barnum Deputy

And afterwards, Yo Wit: at a circuit
Court, held on the 24th day of April 1848.

Liberty Stimpson
vs
Charles Jacks } Juspsps on the Case

It appearing that the service in
this case was not made in time, it is ordered
that this cause be continued until the next Term
of this court. And afterwards, the Plaintiff came
and filed the following declaration.

State of Illinois,
Henry County } Yo the circuit Court
September Term 1848.

Liberty Stimpson complains of Charles
Jacks; For that whereas the said Charles Jacks
hathfore, to Wit on the Seventeenth day of
November A D 1848 at Henry County Illinois,
not then having any reasonable or probable cause
of action whatsoever against the said Liberty
Stimpson, but wrongfully and unjustly contriving
and intending to imprison, harass, oppress and injure
the said Liberty Stimpson falsely and maliciously
caused and procured to be issued on the oath of the
said Charles Jacks, by Henry P. Griffin a Justice
of the Peace in and for the said County of Henry a
certain writ, in the name of the people of the state
of Illinois, directed to any constable of the county of Henry
against the said Liberty Stimpson, by which said
writ the people of the state of Illinois, commanded
the said constable that he should take the said
Liberty Stimpson, if he should be found in his county,
and him safely keep, so that he might have his body,

before the said Henry S. Griffin, or some other justice
of the Peace of said County, forthwith to answer unto
the people of the State of Illinois, in a plea of
habeas corpus, and that the said Constable should
then have there that writ. And the said Constable
did arrest the said Liberty Stimpson and him
keep and have as commanded in said writ:
And the said Action was, and is, by means
of the premises, and according to the practice of said
Court wholly discharged, ended and determined
To Wit: ^{on the eighteenth day of November aforesaid} at Henry County aforesaid; and it was
adjudged and determined on the eighteenth day of
November aforesaid at Henry County aforesaid, by
the said justice of the Peace aforesaid, that the said
Liberty Stimpson was not guilty of the said supposed
offence, and then and there caused the said ~~the~~ said
Liberty Stimpson to be discharged out of custody, fully
acquitted and discharged of the said supposed offence.
By means of which said several premises, he the
said Liberty Stimpson, whilst he was so arrested as
aforesaid, not ^{only} suffered great pain of body and mind
and was greatly exposed and injured in his credit
and circumstances and hindered and prevented from
performing and transacting his lawful affairs and
business, by him during that time time to be performed
and transacted; but was also forced and obliged to
lay out and expence divers large Sums of Money
in the whole amounting to a large Sum of Money To Wit:
the Sum of one hundred and fifty dollars in and
about the obtaining his release from the said arrest,
And in and about other the premises, and hath been
and is by means of the premises, otherwise greatly

injured and damaged to his damage in the further
sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, To Wit: as
Henry County aforesaid; Wherefore the said
Liberty Stimpson saith that he is injured and hath
sustained damage to the amount of five hundred
dollars, - and therefore he brings Suit &c

By Wm. W. Brainard his atty.

And afterwards, To Wit: At a Term of the
circuit Court for Henry County Illinois begun
and held at the court house in Cambridge
within and for the County of Henry and State of
Illinois, on Monday, the thirteenth day of May
A. D. 1850.

Present Honorable William Kellogg.

Judge of the tenth Judicial Circuit of
the State of Illinois.

W. G. Reynolds State Attorney.

M. B. Potter Sheriff.

S. P. Brainard Clerk.

By W. G. Reynolds Deputy.

State of Illinois } Henry Circuit Court.
Henry County } ss. May Term A. D. 1850

Charles Jack.

vs

Liberty Stimpson } ss.

And the said Defendant
comes and defends the wrong and injury when &c and
says he is not guilty of the said several grievances
in manner and form as above alleged against
him, nor any, nor either of them; nor any part
thereof; and of this he puts himself upon the county.

McComing for Defendant

And afterwards, Yo Wit on the 14th day of May
at the Term of the Court last aforesaid, said
Defendant filed the following affidavit
praying for a change of venue in this case.

State of Illinois } Henry Circuit Court
County of Henry } May Term A.D. 1850

Liberty Stimpson }
vs } Case
Charles Jack }

Charles Jack the said
Defendant being duly sworn says that he fears
he will not receive a fair trial in said Court
in which said action is pending on account
that the inhabitants of said county are prejudiced
against this affiant so that he cannot expect
a fair trial of said cause in said County.

Wherefore this affiant prays a change of
venue of said cause to some County where
the said causes do not exist.

Sworn to and subscribed Charles Jack.
this 14 day of May A.D. 1850
before me.

Quincy McNeal, Deputy Clerk.

And afterwards, Yo Wit, on the same.

Liberty Stimpson }
vs } Justices on the case
Charles Jack }

This day came the defendant.

and filed his affidavit for a change of venue herein,
it is therefore ordered that the venue of this case be
changed to Rock Island County,

State of Illinois, }
Henry County } ss I Samuel P. Brainerd
of said County and State, do certify, that the
foregoing is a full transcript of the record and
proceedings had in said Court in the case of
Liberty Stimpson against Charles Jack.

In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my name and the seal of said Court
this third day of August A D 1850.

Chas
Cure

S. P. Brainerd Clerk
by Harmon G. Reynolds - Deputy

And Be it Remembered that afterwards Y. Wit; as
a Term of the circuit Court, begun and held at
the Court house in the City of Rock Island, within
and for the County of: Rock Island and State of
Illinois, on Monday the Twenty eighth day of October
A D 1850, and Y. Wit: on Friday the 1st day of
November, as yet of said October Term, the following record
was made and entered in said entitled cause, Y.
Wit:

Liberty Stimpson }
31 vs } Change of venue from
Charles Jack } Henry County -

This day came the parties
herein by their attorneys and this cause coming
on for trial and defendant having entered his plea
of "not guilty" came the jurors of a jury, Y. Wit:

Geo. A. Boyd, Ira Buffum, A. Sherwood,
Joseph Johnson, C. Rontzong, A. S. Agy,
William Keatten, George Woodward, W. M. Sage
Benj. Goble, Abram Wartzell, S. M. White
who were severally sworn and impaneled to
try the issue joined herein.

And afterwards, Yo Wit on Saturday the 2^d day
of November A D 1850, as yer of the said October
Term of the court aforesaid, the following further
Record was made and entered in the said Cause
Yo Wit:

Liberty Stimpson }
31 vs. } Change of Venue from Henry County.
Charles Jack }

This day came the parties herein
by their attorneys and the cause coming on to be
heard and defendant having entered his plea of
not guilty, came the jurors of a jury to Wit:
John A. Boyd, Ira Buffum, A. Sherwood, Jos. Johnson
C. Rontzong, A. S. Agy, William Keatten, Geo.
Woodward, W. M. Sage, Benj. Goble, Abram
Wartzell and S. M. White, who were each and
severally, sworn to try well and truly to try the
issue joined herein and having heard the evidence
and arguments of counsel herein, retired and
returned into Court their verdict, which is in
the words and figures following Yo Wit: "The
the jury find the defendant guilty and assess
the damages at the sum of Two hundred dollars."
Whereupon Defendant entered his motion for

Court having considered Plaintiffs motion, to file an amended declaration sustains the same and the defendant by his attorney withdraws his motion for a change of venue.

And afterwards to Wit: on Wednesday the 12th day of November, as yersth same November Term of said Court, the following further Record was made and entered in said Cause, Yo Wit:

Liberty Stimpson }
vs. } Yespax on the Cause.
Charles Jacks }

This day came the defendant by his attorney and enters his motion to strike from the files the second Count in Plaintiffs amended declaration, which after having been duly considered by the court is overuled and defendant enters his motion for a rule upon plaintiff to elect one count of his declaration, which is also overuled by the court. and thereupon came a Jury of Jurors, Yo Wit: George Cerrabbs, Stephen Edgington, Robert Smith, John Ball, Richard Webster, Isaac Bice, W. F. Thomas, J. C. Terry, Daniel Wheaton, James Dickson, Elisha Divina and J. W. Waggoner who were each severally sworn to well and truly try the issue joined and heard the evidence adduced.

And afterwards Yo Wit on Thursday the 13th day of November, as yerth the same November Term of said Court, the following further Record was made and entered in said Cause Yo Wit:

Liberty Stimpson } 2

arrest of judgement herein and the Court being
Sufficiently advised of the premises, sustains the
said motion. It is therefore ordered by the Court
that judgement herein be and the same is hereby
arrested. Whereupon plaintiff entered his motion
to replead herein which said motion is sustained
by the Court, whereupon it is ordered that the plaintiff
have leave to replead herein, and that this cause be
continued until the next Term of this Court.

And be it Remembered that afterwards, Yo Wit, on
Tuesday, the 4th day of November, ^{A.D. 1857} as the November
Term of the Circuit Court, began and held on the 3^d day
of November A.D. 1857, at the Court house in the city of
Rock Island, State of Ills. the following Record
~~and~~ was made and entered in said entitled cause.

Yo Wit:

Liberty Stimpson }
" vs } Change of venue of Vey County.
Charles Jacks. }

This day came plaintiff by Knov and Dury and
enter their motion to file and amended declaration herein
and thereupon defendandent by his attorney enters his
motion for a change of venue herein.

And afterwards Yo Wit on Wednesday, the fifth
day of November at the said November Term of said
Court, last aforesaid, the following record was made
and entered in the said Cause Yo Wit:

Liberty Stimpson }
" vs } Resciss on the Lease.
Charles Jacks. }

This day came the parties by their attorneys and the

vs
Charles Jack } Trespas on the case.

Mo. for
new trial

This day came the parties herein by their attorneys and the jury impannelled herein returned into Court their verdict which is as follows, "We the jury find the defendant guilty and assess the damages at the sum of five hundred dollars" and thereupon defendant entered his motion for arrest of Judgment and for a new trial herein.

And afterwards, Yo His on Monday the 17th day of November, as yer of the same November Year of said Court, the following further Record was made and entered in said Cause, Yo His:

Liberty Stimpson }
vs } Trespas on the case (change of
Charles Jack } venue from Henry County

This day came the parties herein by their attorney and Defendant renews his motion (heretofore made) for an arrest of Judgment and for new Trial herein and the court hearing heard the arguments of counsel and being sufficiently advised in the premises overules the said motion for arrest and for new trial.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that ~~the~~ Plaintiff have and recover of and from the defendant the sum of Five hundred dollars damages assessed by the Jury herein together with his costs in this behalf expended and that he have execution therefor, & on motion of defendant he is allowed sixty days in which he may prepare & file herein a bill of exceptions in this cause, as of the present term of this Court.

And be it remembered, this on ^{the (22)} Saturday day of November in the year 1831 of the said Court, and of the said Court the said

defendant by his counsel, caused to be filed in my
office
said Court, his bill of Exceptions herein duly signed
&c, which bill of Exceptions is in the words and
figures following To Wit:

State of Illinois } In the circuit Court
Rock Island County } ss of said County at
November Term A D 1851.

Liberty Stimpson }
vs } Change of venue from Henry
County }
Charles Jack } Verdict on the case.

Bill of
Exceptions Be it Remembered that upon the trial of the
above entitled cause before the Hon Geo C, Wilkinson
Judge of the sixth judicial circuit in said State,
and a Jury, upon the issues presented by the following
pleadings:

State of Illinois } Circuit Court of November
Rock Island County } ss Term A D 1851.

Liberty Stimpson plaintiff in this suit by
Knox & Drury his attys complains of Charles
Jack in a plea of Verdict on the case; For that
whereas the said Liberty Stimpson now is a
good, true, honest and faithful citizen of this
State and as such has always behaved ~~and~~ &
conducted himself and hath not ever conducted
himself in a contrary way and has not ever
been guilty or until the time of the committing
of the several grievances by the said Charles Jack

as hereinafter mentioned, been suspected to have been guilty of felony or of any other such crime, by means whereof, he the said Liberty Stimpson before the committing of the said several grievances by the said Charles Jacks as hereinafter mentioned has lawfully obtained and acquired the good opinion and credit of all his neighbors and other good and worthy citizens of this State, & Wit: in the county of Henry State of Illinois, yet the said Charles Jacks well knowing the premises but contriving and maliciously intending to injure the said Liberty Stimpson in his aforesaid good name, fame and credit and to bring him into public scandal and infamy and disgrace, heretofore & Wit: on the 17th day of November A.D. 1848 at the county of Henry State of Illinois; Went and appeared before one Henry G. Griffin Esq. then and there being one of the Justices of the Peace of the State of Illinois and then and there before the said Henry G. Griffin Esq. falsely & maliciously and without any reasonable or probable cause whatsoever, charged the said Liberty Stimpson with feloniously stealing, taking and driving away six or eight head of cattle from the enclosure of the said Jacks and upon said charge, he the said Charles Jacks falsely & maliciously and without any reasonable or probable cause whatsoever, caused and procured the said Henry G. Griffin being such Justice as aforesaid, to make and grant his certain Warrant under his hand and seal, for the apprehending and taking of the said Liberty Stimpson and for bringing him the said Liberty Stimpson before him, the said Henry G. Griffin

or some of the other Justices of the Peace in and for
this County of Henry to be dealt with according to law
for the said supposed offense; And the said Charles
Jacks under and by virtue of said Warrant, afterwards
Yo Wit: on the 17th day of November A^d 1848 at the
County of Henry, Illinois, wrongfully and unjustly
and without any reasonable or probable ~~cause~~
whatsoever, caused and procured the said
Liberty Stimpson to be arrested by his body and
to be imprisoned for a long space of time, Yo Wit:
Two days and then and there forced and compelled
the plaintiff to go and caused him to be forcibly
conveyed in custody, in and along divers public
Streets and highways to the office of the said
Griffin as said Justice of the Peace, and then
imprisoned the said plaintiff and caused him
to be held & kept in custody there without any
reasonable or probable cause for a long space of
time, Yo Wit: for the space of twenty four hours
then next following Yo Wit: at the County of Henry,
aforesaid contrary to law, and under a false
and unreasonable assertion, color and charge.

Which said Justice having heard and considered
all that the said Charles Jacks could say or
alledge against the said Liberty Stimpson, touching
and concerning the said supposed offense, then
and there Yo Wit: on the day and year last
aforesaid, at the place aforesaid, adjudged and
determined that the said Liberty Stimpson was
not guilty of the supposed offense and then and
there caused the said Liberty Stimpson to be
discharged out of custody, fully acquitted and

discharged of the so supposed offence; And the said
Charles Jacks hath not further prosecuted his P. Complaint
but hath deserted and abandoned the same, and the
said Complaint and prosecution is wholly ended
and determined, To Wit. at the time & place aforesaid:

And whereas also the said Charles Jacks
further continuing and maliciously and wickedly
intending as aforesaid, heretofore, To Wit: on the
17th day of November 1848, at the county of Henry
State of Illinois, falsely and maliciously and without
any reasonable or probable cause whatsoever
charged the said Liberty Stimpson with having
committed an offence punishable by law, To Wit
Larceny, and upon said last mentioned charge he
the said Charles Jacks, then and there, To Wit:
on the same day and year last aforesaid, at the
place aforesaid, falsely and maliciously caused and
procured the said Liberty Stimpson to be arrested
by his body, and to be imprisoned for a long space of
time, To Wit for the space of two days, then next
following, and at the expiration of which said
time, he the said Liberty Stimpson was duly
discharged and fully acquitted by the said last
mentioned Offence, By means
of which said several premises, he the said
Liberty Stimpson, hath been and is greatly
injured in his said credit and reputation and
brought into public scandal, infamy and disgrace,
with and among all his neighbors and other good
and worthy citizens of this State, and divers of
those neighbors and citizens to whom his innocence
in the premises was unknown, have on occasion of
the premises suspected and believed and still do

suspect and believe that the said Liberty Simpson
hath been and is guilty of Larceny -

And also the said Liberty Simpson hath by
means of the premises, suffered great anxiety and
pain of body and mind and hath been forced
and obliged to lay out and expence divers large
sums of money, in the whole amounting to a
large sum of money, to wit: the sum of one
hundred dollars in and about defending himself
in the premises, and the manifestation of his
innocence in that behalf and hath been greatly
hindered and prevented by reason of the premises
from following and transacting his lawful and
necessary affairs and business for a long space of
time, to wit: for the space of six days, to wit: at
the county of Henry aforesaid, and other wrongs to
the plaintiff, then and there done, to wit: at the
county of Henry aforesaid, against the peace and
dignity of the people of the State of Illinois and
to the damage of the said plaintiff of five hundred
dollars and therefore he brings his suit &c

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Att^y for plaintiff -

Liberty Simpson } Rock Island Circuit Court
vs } Nov Term 1851.
Charles Jacks }

And now the said Def^t in
Court comes & defends the wrong & injury when he
and says that he is not guilty in manner and
form as the said Pl^f in his declaration hath
alleged and of this puts himself on the country for

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By J. J. Beardsley
his atty.

The said plaintiff in order to sustain the said issue on his part, introduced as a Witness Henry G. Griffin, who being sworn was enquired of by Plaintiffs Attorney, whether he was a Justice of the Peace of Henry County Illinois on the 17th November 1848, which inquiry was objected to by Defendants Attorney, and the objection overruled by said Court, to which decision the defendant excepted thereupon the said Griffin in answer to said question, stated that he was a Justice of the Peace in and for said Henry County Illinois on the said 17th day of November 1848. And also for some time previous to and subsequent to said date. Said witness was further enquired of by pliffs counsel whether he ever issued a warrant for the arrest of Liberty Stimpson the plaintiff; and if so when, in whose behalf and on what charge? To which inquiry the said defendant objected, and the objection overruled by the Court, to which ruling of the Court the defendant excepted; and thereupon in answer to said inquiry, said Witness, stated that he did as a Justice of the Peace issue a Warrant for the arrest of Liberty Stimpson the Pltff, that said Warrant was issued on the Seventeenth day of November 1848, in behalf of the people of the State of Illinois, on complaint of Charles Jacks the defendant on a charge of Larceny, And the said Warrant being exhibited to the

said witness he stated that it was the same
Warrant issued by him for the arrest of said Stimpson
and referred to in his (said Witness's) testimony above, and
that the same was signed by him and issued on the
day of its date, and thereupon the said plaintiff
offered the said Warrant in evidence to the jury, to
which the defendant by his counsel objected, which
objection the court overruled & permitted the said
Warrant to be read as evidence to the jury, to
which decision of the court the defendant excepted,
the said Warrant so read to the jury, being in
the words and figures following, To Wit:

State of Illinois } The people of the State of
Henry County }^{ss} Illinois, To all Sheriff
Coroners, and Constables of said State, Greeting:
Whereas complaint hath been made before me
one of the Justices of the Peace within and for said
County, upon the oath of Charles Jacks, that
Liberty Stimpson did on the 17th day of November 1848,
feloniously steal take and drive away six or eight
head of cattle from the enclosure of the said
Jacks; and the said Jacks also made
oath, that he believed the stolen property, is now
in the yard of Jacob Clewmer or being removed by the
said Stimpson; These are therefore to command you
forthwith to apprehend the said Liberty Stimpson
and if the above described cattle are found in his
possession, to bring him and them before me or
some other Justice of the Peace of said County
to answer said complaint, and further to be dealt
with according to law. Given under my
hand and seal this 17th day of November 1848.

Henry G. Griffin J. P. ¹⁸⁸³ ~~1882~~

on the back of which said Warrant was an endorsement as follows, which was read in evidence to the jury without objection, To Wit:

"Served this writ by reading to the witness named Dept and bringing him into court and I have him now present. Serving & returning 25. Travelling fees 35. Driving cattle 25. Amount \$1. E. Willoughby Const."

And thereupon the plaintiff continued the examination of said Witness Griffin, who further testified, that the said Warrant was issued by him at the complaint of the defendant Jacks made before him the said Justice just before the issuing of said Warrant. That the said Jacks subscribed and swore to an affidavit before him the said Griffin & upon which he issued the said Warrant.

Said Witness further testified that he had not then the said affidavit in his possession or control, but that he believes the same to be lost. That the witness brought the said affidavit together with the other papers in said case before him, to this court at the former Term of this court, at which this cause was tried, that he was then examined as a witness in relation to the said affidavit and produced the same, that he laid it on the bar table at the time of said trial, & among other papers, pertaining to this cause, that after he had given in his evidence on said trial and after the papers had been read in evidence, he took from the table what he then supposed to be all the papers of the case, that he had brought here with him and at the time he thought the

affidavit was among the other papers taken by him from the P table aforesaid. That after he returned home he looked over the said papers and did not find the said affidavit among them. That he had since then carefully looked over & examined all the papers of said case filed before him, as also among all other papers, in his possession & in all places where the said affidavit might in his opinion be found, but that he could not find the said affidavit and that he believed the same was lost.

Grazer Wilson was then called by Pff and sworn as a Witness; and testified that he was the clerk of the circuit Court of Rock Island County Illinois and was such at the Term of P Court when this case was before tried, that since the said former trial of this case he had made diligent search among all the files and papers in his office, pertaining to this case, for the affidavit of Defendant Jacks made before the Magistrate Griffin, and that no such affidavit could be found by him & that he had no remembrance of ever having ^{seen} such a paper, and that it had never been on file in his office.

The plaintiff then called said Witness Griffin who further testified, that the defendant Jacks at the time said Warrant was issued subscribed and swore to an affidavit before him said Justice, in which he stated and charged that the said Liberty Stimpson did on the 17th day of November 1848, feloniously steal, take and drive away six or eight head of cattle from the enclosure of

the said Jacks, and that he believed the stolen property was at the same time in the yard of Jacob Blosser, a being removed by the said Stimpson. That the charge in the affidavit was the same as stated in the Warrant issued by him the said Justice, and that he copied into the Warrant the charge exactly as it was stated in the affidavit, from which he copied it. The said Witness was then inquired of by the Plff's Counsel whether he kept a docket in which he recorded the judgments, orders & proceedings in suits and prosecutions before him in his official capacity as Justice of the Peace and also whether he made in his docket any record of the proceedings before him in the case of the people against Liberty Stimpson on the charge of Larceny; each of which inquiries were answered by said Witness in the affirmative; the said Witness then produced his docket which, he stated, contained the record entries made by him of the proceedings in the case of the people of the State of Illinois against Liberty Stimpson, on a charge of Larceny, preferred against him by the Just^s Jacks and which were made by him at the time the said proceedings occurred. And thereupon the said plaintiff offered to read from the said docket the entries made therein by the said Justice in the said case, as evidence to the Jury in this case. to the reading of which the defendant objected, and the objection was overruled by the court, and the plaintiff allowed to read the same in evidence to the Jury - to which the defendant excepted - which said entry in the said docket so read to the Jury as aforesaid, is in the words, and figures, following, To Wit,

" The people of the State of Illinois }
Liberty vs Stimpson } Personally came
Charles Jacks before Henry G. Griffin a Justice
of the Peace in and for the county of Henry & State
of Illinois and on his oath charged the Defendant
with having committed a Larceny and demanded
a Warrant. Warrant issued November 17th 1848
and placed in the hands of Elisha Willoughby
returnable forthwith. Nov 17th issued one subpoena
on part of the people. Nov 18th issued one subpoena
on the part of the defendant - Warrant returned Nov
18th endorsed. Sworn this writ by taking the body of
the within named defendant and bringing him into
Court & I have him now present.

E. Willoughby Const.

The Warrant being read to the Defendant he
plead not guilty - Charles Jacks & Alonzo Garrison
sworn on part of the people and Solomon Finney sworn
on the part of the Defendant - after hearing all the proofs
and allegations in the above cause, it is decided by
me, that the defendant is not guilty, and ordered
to be discharged from custody."

Elisha Willoughby was then called by the
plaintiff and called sworn as a Witness; and
testified that he was a constable in and for
the county of Henry and State of Illinois, during
the whole of the month of November 1848. That
the Warrant issued by the Justice Henry G.
Griffin for the arrest of the plaintiff Liberty
Stimpson on a charge of Larceny preferred
against him by the defendant Jacks was placed
in his hand by the def^t Jacks about the time of

the date Memo, to execute, that by virtue of said
Warrant he arrested the Plff Stimpson and took
him before the said Justice Griffin as his office
in said Henry County, that he found said
Stimpson at Jacob Cosmers with a drove of cattle,
in which was also found the cattle claimed by
Jacks. That he had the said Stimpson in his
custody, something over twelve hours, that he arrested
him in the morning about sunrise, and kept him
in custody through the day, that the cattle were also
detained until the discharge of Stimpson by the said
Justice Griffin. The plaintiff then offered
in evidence the following writing, to wit:

"Henry County Mo. August the 26th 1848.

"Received of L. Stimpson forty dollars in part for four
"four year old Steers and four three year old Steers,
"to be delivered when called for. Due Eighty dollars.
"The said Steers being at the risk of said Stimpson; the
"balance due to be paid in October and the cattle
"received then.

"Chas. Jacks"

Which said paper was read by the plaintiff to
the jury, without objection by the defendant.

The said Plff then called as a Witness
John Taylor, who being duly sworn, testified that
some time in the latter part of October or the fore
part of November in the year 1848, he went with the
Plff Stimpson to the house of the def^t Jacks; and
that Stimpson then tendered to said Jacks the
balance due for the cattle mentioned in the receipt
copied above, and demanded of Jacks the cattle.
He made the tender as the balance due,
on the cattle and told Jacks that if he took the money
it was to be for the amt due on the cattle. Jacks did not

take the money at first, but finally took the money - cannot tell what day of the week the tender was made. Simpson took six of the cattle on Friday of the week after the tender was made, and one the day following said Friday. At the time the tender was made Jacks told Simpson the cattle were his (Jacks) and he intended to keep them.

Simpson stopped with his drove of cattle at Barren Grove as Leasners the first night, drove over an humped head & was united with a drove belonging to Solomon Penny. Simpson had three hands employed in driving and one of Mr Penny's boys, also assisted some. Witness thinks Jacks said the money tendered was the full amount due for the cattle, but that the contract had run out. He (Jacks) counted the money over. Witness cant say when Simpson was arrested. The few cattle left after the first six were taken; were got into the drove at Leasners on Saturday morning. Witness says a man & horse to drive cattle is worth a dollar per day & found & finding worth a dollar per day. By reason of Simpsons delay occasioned by his arrest a drove of cattle got into Peoria before his and were slaughtered first & detained Simpson for several days in Peoria with his cattle, in consequence thereof.

Upon Cross examination, said Witness further swore; that Simpson asked him to go to Jacks house, to be a Witness of the tender, Simpson told me that Jacks had refused the money, because he (Jacks) contemplated the Plff had forfeited his contract & that, had Jacks refused to let him have the cattle, at the time tender

was made Jacks refused to take the money as for the cattle. Dont remember that Plff asked for a receipt for the money - at the time Jacks took the tender he refused to let Stimpson have the cattle. As Stimpson's request a few days after tender, witness called on Jacks and demanded the cattle - Jacks replied that Stimpson could not have the cattle for he had forfeited his contract or something or something to that effect. At the time of the tender Stimpson offered Jacks five dollars if he would let him (Stimpson) have the cattle. Stimpson took the cattle from Jacks field on the forenoon of Friday. Witness assisted - dont know whether Jacks was at home or not on Friday when cattle were taken. Neither Stimpson or any who assisted him went to Jacks house. After the six cattle were taken from the field we searched for the other two back of Jacks field. The six head were put into the Mcmillens field & a person by the name of Ogden left to watch them. Stimpson made the tender in Nov. When Jacks rec^d the money, he said Stimpson should not have the cattle.

Whereupon said Plff again examined said witness in chief, who further swore, that said Jacks was present in Mcmillens field when the cattle were driven therefrom - that Jacks and Mcmillens fields join.

John Eby a witness produced by the Plff swore that he was at Jacks house as Plff's request, when Plff tendered amount due for the eight head of cattle. John Taylor was also there. we were requested to be

Witnesses of the tender & went for that purpose -
Simpson tendered Jacks eighty dollars - This was
in November 1848: Jacks refused the money -
Simpson said to Jacks he tendered the money for
the delivery of the cattle.

Upon cross examination, said witness further testified
that, when Simpson said he tendered the money
for the delivery of the cattle, Jacks answered that he
could not have the cattle - that the time within
which he, Simpson was to take the cattle had run
out and that the contract was forfeited.

Witness thinks it was about the tenth of Nov,
when tender was made. At that time Simpson
asked Jacks if he might take the cattle - Jacks
replied he would let no one take his cattle.

upon reexamination by Plf, witness says Jacks
refused to let the cattle go at the time of the tender,
and upon further cross examination, witness says
Jacks took the money, but said he would not take
it for the cattle. Jacks asked Plf to stay all night
at his (Jacks) house, and added that he might let
him (Simpson) have the cattle or his money back
again in the morning. Simpson declined staying.

Soloman Perry, a witness introduced by Plf, testified
that he thinks Plf was delayed at Leesners by his
arrest. When arrested Plf had three boys with him
to assist in driving. Just after Plf's arrest some one
was accusing Jacks of having done, what he ought
not to, and Jacks replied, that he had got the
money & the cattle too and that was the
fun of it.

had not complied with his contract, & that it had
run out, that Stimpson had taken the cattle from his
Jacks lot, six or eight head - He Jacks stated ~~that~~ to
Witness that Stimpson paid part of the money for
the cattle at the time the contract evening them
was made & that there was a time set when
he was to pay the balance, and if he did not pay
the balance it was no contract, and that he had
not done it, within the time set. Said Jacks
also told witness of the tender made by Stimpson.

Witness thinks the statement made by Jacks
to obtain proceedings against Stimpson and the
testimony at the first trial of Stimpson before witness
did not agree as witness understood Jacks to say
that the contract with Stimpson for the cattle
was conditional and depended upon the payment
of the money at a certain time, whereas witness
thought that the written contract between Stimpson
& Jacks (heretofore copied) showed the sale of
the cattle to be complete at the time the same
was written & dated, & that the cattle thereby
became the property of Stimpson. He (Jacks)
further told Witness, that not knowing the law, he
had come to witness as Justice of the Peace to learn
what to do. Witness thinks he told Jacks that he
did not well understand the law. Witness got
the Statute and referred Jacks to the law in
regard to replevin. And Jacks objected to that. He
then at Jacks suggestion referred to the Section
in regard Larceny and Jacks said that was
what he wanted. Both laws were examined
and Witness left it for Jacks to choose. Jacks
objected to replevin, because the cattle would

In consequence of being detained by the arrest, Witness
Says, Plff did not get to Peoria on Monday and
another drove of cattle got in a head that was
butchered first and by that cause Plff was
detained in Peoria with his drove from Tuesday to
Saturday - that there was no means of feeding
drone then & the cattle had to be kept in a
muddy lot. Plff drove ninety nine head of cattle
to Peoria - Witness went for Plff to employ Mr
Brainard a lawyer at Leambridge to defend him
in the prosecution before the magistrate and that
Plff paid ^{Brainard} ~~him~~ five dollars for defending him before
the magistrate.

Lowell Buttrick, a witness in behalf of Plff
testified, that in Peoria, the cattle of Plff kept
there as described by witnesses, in his opinion would
shrink not less than three pounds per head per day
& that on the road there the shrinkage would be two
pounds per head per day.

E. Laflin, a witness for Plff testified, that in his
opinion, the cattle of Plff on the road would shrink
two pounds per day per head & that at Peoria in
a muddy field & without conveniences for feeding Plff's
drone would shrink four pounds a day per head.

Whereupon the Dept recalled the said Uly S.
Griffin, who further swore, that when said Dept Jacks
^{came to} ~~called~~ him to set proceedings on foot against Stimpson
for taking the said cattle. Jacks related to witness
that he (Jacks) had made a conditional bargain
with Stimpson for the sale of some cattle, that Stimpson

be beyond ~~the~~ reach before he could get the proceeds. Jacks was very anxious to get the cattle. Witness thinks very likely he did agree with Jacks that the Larceny Statute was the surest way to get the cattle.

The Witness was then cross examined by Plff in relation to the matter of which he had been examined (as above) by the Dept on his examination in chief. The Dept then proposed to reexamine the witness and asked him to state the contents of the affidavit made by Jacks at the time he prayed out the Warrant for Stimpsons arrest. and Plff objected to the inquiry; and the objection was sustained by the court & Witness not permitted to state, whereupon the Dept excepted.

And the testimony in the case having been concluded and the argument of counsel on the part of Plff as also in behalf of Dept, having been heard by the Jury, the plaintiff requested of the court to instruct the Jury as follows,

1st
Given
If the Jury believe from the evidence, that the defendant maliciously caused a warrant to issue and the plaintiff to be arrested thereon for the charge of Larceny, without reasonable or probable cause, and that the plff was discharged from said arrest by the magistrate, they must find for the plaintiff.

2^d
If the Jury believe from the evidence, that the defendant caused a warrant to issue against the plaintiff and his arrest to be made thereon for Larceny; and that at the time of procuring such warrant, the Dept knew that,

Stimpson claimed and had at least a prima facie right to the property mentioned in the Warrant, this is evidence of ~~the~~ a Want of probable cause.

If the Jury believe from the evidence that Stimpson took the cattle under a bona fide claim of right it is not Larceny, even if his claim was groundless in law.

If the Jury believe from the evidence that want of probable cause was shown for the issuing of the Warrant and arrest of Stimpson, the Malice may be inferred from such facts.

The jury are not confined to the damages proved, in this cause, but in assessing damages, may take into consideration, the injury to the feelings, the credit and reputation of the Plaintiff.

Which said instructions numbered one, two, three, ^{four and five} ~~the~~ were given by the court

and the defendant also then & there requested of the court, the following instructions to the jury, To Wit:

Stimpson
vs
Jacks

Deft asks the court to ~~instruct~~ charge the Jury as follows.

Some proof independent of want of probably cause for the ~~want~~ prosecution before the Justice is necessary to show malice, in order to entitle the Plf to recover in this suit.

2^d Given
If the Jury believe that there was probable cause for the prosecution of Simpson before the Justice court of enquiry, then their verdict should be for the defendant in this suit.

3^d Refused
In order to show probable cause it is not necessary to exhibit proof of guilt in respect to the party accused, but a belief of guilt on the part of the accused party against the accused founded upon circumstances tending to show guilt is sufficient evidence to show probable cause.

4th Given
In order to entitle the Plf to recover in this suit, he must prove that the defendant Jacks was actuated by malice in the commencement of the prosecution against Simpson and that his arrest was caused by the malicious procurement of the Deft Jacks, in order to entitle the Plf in this suit to recover on the second count in his declaration, and in order to entitle the Plf to recover on the first count in his declaration he must not only prove all that entitles him to recover on the second count, but that the prosecution was continued by and through the malice of the Defendant in this suit.

5th Given
If the Jury believe that the Deft in this suit in the commencement of the prosecution against Simpson and in its continuance before the Magistrate at the court of enquiry, was not actuated by malice in the prosecution, then the Deft Jacks is entitled to a verdict of not guilty as to the first count.

6th The want of probable cause is not to be inferred as a necessary consequence from the most express malice; and in ~~cases~~ this case it is necessary for the P^lf. to show by his evidence, want of probable cause in the prosecution before the Magistrate, independent of the proof of malice.

7th If the Jury find that the Deft. Jacks actually believed he had good cause to prosecute Stimpson before the Magistrate, the want of probable cause then furnishes no evidence of malice.

8th In order to make a legal tender it must be unconditional. and if any conditions are attached to it, by the party making it, it is a void tender.

9th The paper exhibited to the Jury as evidence of the ~~tender~~ trade between P^lf & Deft in respect to the cattle, on its face shows that the ballance of money due for the cattle was to be paid in the month of Oct A D 1848, in order to entitle Stimpson to the cattle.

10th Money may be received by one person from another, under protest, that it shall not be applied upon the conditions named by the party tendering it; and in that event the tender or receipt, or the money will not accomplish the object named in the condition accompanying the tender.

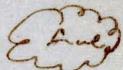
11th Without proof of malice, on the part of the Deft in the procurement or arrest of Stimpson on the criminal charge the Deft is entitled to a verdict of not guilty.

12th
Refused

The evidence of Dept Jacks as contained in the affidavit for prosecution of Simpson before the court of enquiry is evidence of absence of malice on the part of Dept Jacks in this case

Which said instructions numbered two, four, five, six, eight and eleven, were given by the court, and the said instructions numbered one, three, seven, nine, ten and twelve, the court refused to give to the jury as the law in the case, to which refusal of the court to give the instructions of Dept numbered as aforesaid, one, three, seven, nine, ten and twelve, and also the giving to the jury of plffs instructions numbered as aforesaid, the defendant by his counsel excepted.

And the testimony in the said cause having been submitted to the jury, and they having for a short time, retired to consider their verdict, returned into said court with the following verdict. "To Wit" The jury find the defendant guilty and assess the damages at the sum of five hundred dollars, which said verdict was received by the court and a judgment entered in favor of the plff and against the defendant for the said sum of five hundred dollars. The evidence above recited and stated, is the substance of all the material testimony given ^{in the case}. And therefore, and inasmuch as the exceptions aforesaid, do not elsewhere appear of Record the defendant in said case prays that this his bill of exceptions may be signed, sealed & approved and be made a part of the record in said cause. which is done.

Ira A. Wilkinson 

State of Illinois }
Rock Island County } ss of the Circuit Court in
and in said County, and the State aforesaid }
do hereby certify, That the above is a true copy of
a Transcript of the Records of the Circuit Court of the
County of Henry and State of Illinois, in the case of Liberty
Stimpson vs. Lewis Jacks, filed in my office at the time when it
purports to ^{have} been filed as above stated; that it is a correct copy
of the orders in said case now on Record in my office, and
that all the matters and things contained as above set
forth, are a complete statement of all of the facts pertaining
to said case as they appear of Record in my office; That the
above is a correct copy of the bill of exceptions in said
case, now on file in my office.

Given under my hand & seal of said Court
this 4th day of March A.D. 1851.

Frazer Wilson Clerk Circuit Court
of Rock Island County Illinois,

Rock Island
Charles Jack
Liberty Stimpson
Record—

Filed May 25, 1882,
Rock Island Ark.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
Supreme Court.

The People of the State of Illinois,

To the Sheriff of the County of *Henry* Greeting:

BECAUSE in the record and proceedings, and also in the rendition of the judgment of a plea which was in the circuit court of *Rock Island* county, before the Judge thereof, between *Liberty Stimpson* plaintiff and *Charles Jack*

defendant, it is said that manifest error hath intervened, to the injury of the said

Charles Jack as we are informed by *his* complaint, the record and proceedings of which said judgment we have caused to be brought into our Supreme Court of the state of Illinois, at Ottawa, before the justices thereof, to correct the errors in the same, in due form and manner, according to law; therefore we command you, that by good and lawful men of your county, you give notice to the said *Liberty Stimpson*

that *he* be and appear before the justices of our said supreme court, at the next term of said court, to be holden at Ottawa, in said state, on the *Second* Monday in *June* next, to hear the records and proceedings aforesaid, and the errors assigned, if *he* shall see fit; and further to do and receive what said court shall order in this behalf; and have you then there the names of those by whom you shall give the said *Liberty Stimpson* notice, together with this writ.

Witness, the Hon. SAMUEL H. TREAT, Chief Justice of our said Court, and the seal thereof, at Ottawa, this *25th* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty *two*.

L. Leland Clerk of the Supreme Court.

By *P. H. Leland* Deputy, Clerk

Rock Island
Charles Jack
vs.
Liberty Stimpson,
Sci. Ga.

Filed June 14, 1852.
A. Deland Clerk.

Shore served this case for my hearing the same
to Liberty Stimpson this 9 day of June 1852
for serving hearing and return \$1.40
H. S. Little Sheriff
My 5th Marchon Deputy Sheriff
Henry Co. Ga.

State of Illinois, sct.

WRIT OF ERROR—FREE TRADER PRINT.

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To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of *Rock Island* GREETING :

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defendant it is said manifest error hath intervened, to the injury of the aforesaid

Charles Jack _____
as we are informed by *his* complaint, and we being willing that error, if any there be, should be corrected in due form and manner, and that justice be done to the parties aforesaid, command you that if judgment thereof be given, you distinctly and openly, without delay, send to our Justices of the Supreme Court the record and proceedings of the plaint aforesaid, with all things touching the same, under your seal, so that we may have the same before our justices aforesaid at Ottawa, in the county of La Salle, on the *second Monday in June* next, that the record and proceedings, being inspected, we may cause to be done therein, to correct the error, what of right ought to be done according to law.

WITNESS, the Hon. SAMUEL H. TREAT, Chief Justice of our said Court, and the seal thereof, at Ottawa, this *twenty fifth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty *two*.

S. Leland Clerk of the Supreme Court.
By *S. H. Leland* Depy. Clk.

Rock Island
Charles Jack
vs
Liberty Stimpson
Writ of Error.

This writ of error is
made a Supersedeas
as such is to be obeyed
by all concerned —

J. Deland Clk.
By P. K. Deland Dipy.

Filed May 25th 1852.

J. Deland Clk.
By P. K. Deland Dipy.

State of Illinois
Supreme Court

To the June Term of the
third Grand Division A.D. 1852.

Charles, Jacks
Liberty vs. Stumpson Error to Rock Island
Clerk of said court.

Upon the filing of the record in said
cause with the order of the justice of
the said Court, and the filing of the
lawful security therein,

Please issue subpoenas
in said cause directed to the clerk
of the Circuit Court of Rock Island County
and a scire facias to hear error
directed to the Sheriff of Henry County
to execute

John V.

Manning & Beardley
Atty for p[ar]ty in Error

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Charles Jacks
at
Liberty Stimpson
Preston

Filed May 25. 1852
K. Ireland
Clerk.

Genevieve Henry County, Ill.
15th May 1852

Mr Green

Dear Sir

I forwarded to you a short time since Deeds for the lots of land sold, which I hope you have received.

It is unfortunate that when a person shows an obliging disposition, it is often taken advantage of to their inconvenience & trouble and I am perhaps imposing upon you in asking your attention to some business for me, if so you have only to inform me. The favor I have now to ask of you is for the purpose of getting a Writ of Error & Supersedeas in the Sup Court. If either you or David could do it for me I should be much obliged as I had such an unpleasant trip last time owing to the roads and weather, and have at present a good deal to see to. The inclosed papers are Copy of Record, a Bond & a paper addressed to Judge Caton. These have to be presented to him and a Supersedeas prayed for which if granted the other paper can be presented to the Clerk of Sup Court, who will issue the proper papers which you will forward to me as early as may be.

Knowing to the absence of Judge Caton, fault in
the papers or otherwise a Supersedeas is not
granted the papers can all be returned to me
by mail. It is of importance the obtaining
a Supersedeas, as if the judgment is once collected
from me I should not expect to be able to
collect any judgment I might obtain off the
other party therefore, unless the supersedeas
is granted it is useless to prosecute the
Writ of Error, & I would not wish to do so
As the Execution against me has been some
time in the hands of the Sheriff, it is therefore
necessary I should receive the proper papers
~~from~~ the Clerk as soon as possible, say in
thirty days in order to stop proceedings
in East
yours truly
Chas Jack

Mr John Green

Rock Island May 13. 1852

Hon J. D. Eaton

Dear Sir

Herewith will be handed you a copy of record with a pigument of Errors, which we wish made Superseas. Upon examination, we hope you will find sufficient indication of error to permit us to be heard in the Supreme Court. Execution has been issued, and it is somewhat important to our client that he should have his further remedy soon, if he may be entitled to any.

I have learned from some source that it is not expected that the Supreme Court will meet for the despatch of business on the second monday of June. I should be very happy to be informed upon this point, as I am making preparations to go east and wish to be back at or about the time of the commencement of your court. Will you therefore please write to me at Knoxville in regard to this.

Yours Very truly
Julius Manning.

Hon. J. D. Calton

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Know all men by these presents that
we Charles Lacks of the County of
Henry in the State of Illinois and C.
Bunnell of the County of Rock Island State of
an late and firmly bound unto
Liberty Stimpson of said County of
Henry in the penal sum of thirteen
hundred dollars lawful money of the
United States for the payment of
which sum well & truly to be made
we bind ourselves our heirs and
administrators jointly severally and
firmly by these presents witness our
hands and seals this first day of
April A.D. 1852

The condition of the
above obligation is such that whereas
the said Liberty Stimpson at the
November Term of Rock Island County
Circuit Court in the State of Illinois
recovered a judgment in his name
as plaintiff against the said Charles
Lacks as defendant for the sum
of five hundred dollars damages
& for the sum of ninety three dollars
twenty nine cents costs of suit
now if the said Lacks in the pro-
secution of a writ of error brought
by him in the Supreme Court of the
State of Illinois to reverse the said
judgment shall fail to prosecute
the same to effect and shall well
& truly pay to the said Liberty Stimpson
the said sum in damages and
costs & interest thereon in case the
said judgment shall be affirmed
then this obligation to be void
otherwise of force

Witness

Albert G. Brackett.

Chas. Lacks 

C. Bunnell 

Black Legend
Charles Jack
Liberty Stimpson
Board for Supers

Filer May 25. 1852.
V. Ireland
Chk.

[Faint, mirrored handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

I, Frazer Wilson Clerk of the
Circuit Court of the County of
Rock Island Illinois depose and say
that I am acquainted with Charles
J. Cook and C. Bunell whose names are
signed to a promissory note for the sum
of three hundred dollars payable
to Liberty Stimpson, and that in my
opinion they are severally abundantly
responsible for said sum and are
residents of the State of Illinois

Sworn and subscribed (Frazer Wilson)
before me this 13th day
of May A.D. 1872

Just Court Clerk

The principal and security
above named are abundantly good for
the amount above named

Julius Manning