

No. 12546

Supreme Court of Illinois

Clark, Imp.

vs.

McLowry.

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United States of America
State of Illinois
Kankakee County, Ill.
City of Aurora

Pleas before the Honorable
Alexander C. Gibson the Judge
of the Court of Common Pleas of the City
of Aurora, at a regular Term of the Court
of Common Pleas of the City of Aurora, begun
and held at the Court Room at the City
of Aurora in said County on the fourteenth
day of December in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and
fifty seven

Punt the Honorable Alexander Gibson Judge
" P. F. Parks States attorney
" George E. Corwin Sheriff
Attest James G. Barr Clerk

Be it remembered that on the 3rd
day of December AD 1837, there was filed
in the office of the Clerk of the Court
of Common Pleas of the City of Aurora
against a certain plaintiff for summons
which is in the words and figures
following doth; —

Robert W. Donny. 11
 vs.
 James H. Stephenson } Helen of Lemmons Plus
 James Clark } of the City of Aurora
 Dec Term 1837

The Clerk will please issue a Summons in
 the above cause returnable at the next
 Term of Court - a sumpsit - damages
 Six Hundred Dollars
 & much oblige

Aurora Dec 2 1837

AB Fuller
 Atty for Obly

And afterwards Court on the same day
 last aforesaid their said Clerk out of the office
 of the Clerk of said Court a certain
 Peoples writ of Summons directed to
 the Sheriff of Kankakee County which
 said writ is in the words & figures follow
 ing: I omit;

State of Illinois
 County of Kankakee
 City of Aurora

The people of the state of Illinois to the
 Sheriff of said county Greeting: We command
 you that you summon James H. Stephenson
 and James Clark if they shall be found

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in your county, personally to appear before the court of common pleas of the city of Aurora, in said county, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the court house in the city of Aurora, in said county, on the second Monday of December 1857, to answer unto Robert M. Bowry in plea of assumpſet to the damage of the said plaintiff as he says in the sum of six hundred dollars.

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

Witness. James G Barr clerk of our said court, and the seal thereof, at Aurora aforesaid, this 3^d day of December A.D. 1857

J G Barr clerk

And on the back of said writ appears an endorsement which is the words and figures following to wit:

Filed December 7th 1857

J G Barr clerk

Personally served by reading to the within named defendants Dec 9th 1857

Geo C Corson sheriff
By C Pinney Dept

2 services	\$1.00
2 M. Draw	.10
Return	<u>.10</u>
	\$1.20

And afterward Court on the same day &
year last aforesaid December 3rd 1837, was
filed in the office of the Clerk of said
Court a certain Declaration which
is in the words & figures following to wit,

State of Illinois
Kankakee County Ad. December 3rd 1837
City of Kankakee The Court of Common
Plea of the City of Kankakee

Robert M. Derry Plaintiff in this suit
by Fuller his attorney Complainant of
James W. Stephenson & James Oldick
Defendants herein who have been issued
& of a Plea of Suspense on the Case
upon promises; For that whereas the
said Defendants unto me to wit; on the
12th day of February in the year of our Lord
one thousand Eight hundred and fifty Seven

at Aurora town at the City of Aurora the County
of Kane and State of Illinois made their
Promissory Note in writing commonly
called a promissory Note, bearing date
a certain day and year therein mentioned to wit:
the day and year last aforesaid, and then and there
delivered the said note, to Robert M Lowry
Plaintiff under the name and style of R M Lowry.
Fifty four days after date four hundred and sixty
one dollars and eighty one hundredths of a dollar with
interest at ten percent, which note is now due and unpaid
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 sum of
money in the said note specified, according to the
tenor and effect of the said note; 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 then and there 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 whereas, also, the said defendants
afterwards, to wit, on the second day of December A D
1857 at Aurora to wit at the City of Aurora County
and state aforesaid were indebted to the said plaintiff in
the sum of six hundred dollars for goods then sold by the
plaintiff to the said defendants at their request; and

in the sum of six hundred dollars for work then done,
and materials for the same, provided by the plaintiff
for the said defendants at their request; and in the
sum of six hundred dollars, for money then lent by
the plaintiff to the said defendants at their request;
And in the sum of six hundred dollars for money then
received by the defendants for the use of the plaintiff;
and in the sum of six hundred dollars for interest then
due from said defendants to said plaintiff for the
loan and forbearance of larger sums of money before
then by the said plaintiff loaned and advanced to the
said defendants at their request; and in the sum of six
hundred dollars for money found to be due from the said
defendants to the said plaintiff upon an account then
and there stated between them. And in consideration of said
indebtedness the defendants then and there promised the
plaintiff to pay him the several moneys aforesaid upon
request. Nevertheless the said defendants (although
often requested, & to wit, on the day when the said note
became due and payable, according to the tenor and
effect thereof, and oftentimes since, 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 of six hundred
dollars, and therefore the said plaintiff bring suit &c.

Hand in this term of six hundred dollars for the use of the
plaintiff for the use of the said defendants at their request;

A. B. Fuller

~~Plaintiff~~ atty

Copy of note and account

\$161.83

Aurora February 12th 1857

Fifty four days after date for value received we promise to pay to R. M. Lowry or bearer Four Hundred & sixty one $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars with interest at ten percent

J. R. Stephenson

James Clark

also

For Money lent \$600.00

" had received .. 600.00

Goods sold & delivered .. 600.00

Balance due on settlement- .. 600.00

And afterwards to wit on the 18th day of December A.D 1857 there was filed in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas aforesaid a certain plea which are in the words and figures to wit-

James Clark impleaded } Court of common
with James R. Stephenson } Pleas of the city of
At } Aurora December
Robert M. Lowry } Term A.D 1857

And the said defendant James Clark by B. F. Parks his attorney comes and defendants the wrong and injury wherefore and saith that-

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he did not undertake and promise in manner and
form as the said plaintiff hath above thereof
complained against him and of this he puts
himself upon the country &c

And the Plff. doth
the like

B F Parks

Deft Clerks atty

Fridly & Fuller

his attys

State of Illinois
Kaukauna County

James Clark being duly

Sworn on oath does depose and say that the above
plea of general issue signed by his attorney -
B F Parks is true in substance and in fact
and this affiant would farther state that
he once signed a note with James K Stephenson
payable to said plaintiff fifty four days after date
with interest at ten percent said note being date
about February 12th 1857 That said note so signed
was the individual note of James K Stephenson to
said Loring and had been signed some days by
said Stephenson, and was written "I promise to
pay," and this affiant signed said note thus written
as security only and this affiant farther states that
since he signed said note and without his
knowledge or consent the same has been altered
so as to read "We promise to pay." That said
alterations has been made on this affiant -

verily believes by said Cowry or at his
instance knowledge and request

Swear & subscribed }
before me this 18th } James Clark
day of December 1857 }
J G Barr Clerk

And for a further plea in this behalf the said defendant Clark says Action Non because he says that the said promissory note in plaintiff's declaration mentioned since the same was signed by him has been altered to this to wit. That said promissory note was written at the time said Clark signed the same with said Stephenson "I promise to pay" and without his knowledge or consent the same has been altered so as to read "We promise to pay" and he farther avers that the count on said promissory note and said common counts are given for one and the same cause of action and this he is ready to verify wherefore he prays judgment &c.

A.

B T Parks

clerk atty

State of Illinois

Kane County } James Clark being duly
sworn on oath does deposes and say that the
above plea marked A., is true in substance and in
fact

Swear & subscribed
before me this 18th day
of December A d 1857

J G Barr Clerk

James Clark

And for a further plea in this behalf the said defendant Clark says Actio Non because he says that he signed the said supposed promissory note in plaintiffs declaration without an consideration whatever in this to wit that on the to wit twelfth day of February AD 1857 at Aurora to wit at the city of Aurora. The said plaintiff loaned and advanced to the said Defendant James P. Stephenson a large sum of money to wit four hundred dollars and the said Stephenson then and there gave to the said plaintiff his said promissory note as security for the payment of said money to be loaned and advanced to wit the said supposed promissory note in plaintiffs declaration mentioned and this defendant avers that said promissory note so made was delivered to said plaintiff on the same day to wit the 12th day of February A.D 1857. And afterwards to wit on the 26th day of February A.D 1857 without any new consideration or other or different consideration the said defendant Clark signed said supposed promissory note in plaintiffs declaration mentioned and that the same afterwards was altered in a material part by said Plaintiff without the knowledge of this defendant and this defendant further avers that the said count on said promissory note and the common counts in plaintiffs declaration mentioned and for one and the same cause of actions and this

the said defendant is ready to verify wherefore he
prays judgment &c

B F Parks
clarks atty

And for a further plea in this behalf the said
defendant Clark says Action non, because he says
that said supposed promissory note in Plaintiffs
declaration mentioned was made and entered into
without any good or valuable consideration whatever
by this defendant and that said count on said note
and the common counts are for one and the same
cause of action and this the said defendant Clark
is ready to verify Wherefore he prays judgment &c.

B F Parks
Jst Clarks atty

And for a further plea in this behalf the said
defendant Clark by Parks his attorney says Action non
because he says. That said promissory note in
Plaintiffs declaration mentioned if any such note
was made was given in payment of the individual
indebtedness of one James P. Stephenson to wit
in payment of a large sum of money borrowed
by said Stephenson of said Lowry to wit four
hundred dollars and afterwards to wit on the 20th day
of February A D 1857 after said note had been

signed by said Stephenson and delivered to said Gowy at the special instance and request of said Stephenson and said Gowy the said defendant Clark signed said note as ~~security~~ for said Stephenson and the said note was again delivered to said Gowy. And defendant avers that said Plaintiff well knew that this defendant was simply and only security thereon and said note was given for the individual benefit of said Stephenson. And defendant Clark further avers that said Stephenson at the time the said supposed promissory note became due to wit on the 7th day of April A D 1857 and for a long space of time thereafter to wit three months thereafter the said James R Stephenson was perfectly able to pay said note and the same could have been collected of him said Stephenson by law. And this defendant further avers that on the to wit 7th day of April A D 1857 the said Plaintiff without the knowledge of this defendant and against his wish for and in consideration of a note to him paid by said Stephenson of a large amount to wit one hundred dollars there and then extended the time of payment of said promissory for a long space of time to wit for four months after the same became due without the knowledge of the said defendant Clark. And this defendant further avers that before the expiration of said extended time of payment the said Stephenson became utterly worthless so that no money could

be collected of him whatever by law and from
 thence hitherto has been and is utterly insolvent and
 worthless, Wherefore by means of said Plaintiff
 giving said intended time of payment on said note
 aforesaid to said Stephenson, this said defendant
 has lost all chance of collecting the same of said
 Stephenson should a judgment be rendered
 thereon against this defendant and that the said
 first count and common counts were for same
 cause of action ^{and this} the said defendant is ready to
 verify Wherefore he prays judgment &c

B F Parks
 Atf Clark Esq

And afterwards to wit on the same day ther
 was filed with the Clerk of said court a certain
 demur^{to pleas} which is in the words and figures
 following to wit-

Robert McLowry } The court of common
 vs } Pleas of the city of
 James R Stephenson } Aurora Dec Term 1857
 James Clark I

And the said plaintiff as to the said pleas
 by the said defendant James Clark firstly.

Secondly. thirdly. fourthly. & fifthly above pleaded by him says that he ought not to be barred from having and maintaining his aforesaid action for anything in said pleas alledged. Because he says that said pleas and each of them are not sufficient in law for him to reply unto. Wherefore he prays judgment etc.

Fuller Atty for Dff

And for special cause says.
to 1st plea the affiant attached forming part of said plea. the affiant after swearing that the plea of general issue is true. goes on to set out his defence under oath

2nd plea is informal. insufficient. not sufficient in law to be replied to. & that said plea is sworn to. does not aver that said alteration is a material alteration. or in any manner changes the liability of said makers

3^d plea is doubt. avers no consideration as to said Clark that he signed it as surety hence did not get the money but Stephenson did. also avers that said note was altered after signing. defective in not averring that neither defendants received no consideration other wise defective informal & insufficient. does not aver alteration is material the plea

is double. alledges failure of consideration signed by Clark on different day. the note is altered, all averred said 4th plea

4th plea avers that oft Clark received no consideration action ^{being} fornt should ever that neither of defendant's received any consideration otherwise defaction informal insufficient does not aver that neither of the defendants receives any consideration

5th plea is defective in not ~~only~~ averring that that he oft Clark served a written notice on plff after note became due for said Plff to su said note per Statute that said plea is double informal & insufficient.

And afterwards Court on the 18th day of December A.D. 1837 the same being one of the days of the regular December Term A.D. 1837 of the Court of Common Pleas of the City of Aurora. the following among other proceedings were had and entered of record in said Court Court:

Robert M. Towne

by
James K. Stephen & James Clark

{ Assumpsit

This day comes the Plaintiff
by Full & Hinde his attorneys and files
this Demurrer to the second, third, fourth
and fifth pleas of Defendant Clark and
his motion to Strike out the affidavit
attached to the first plea, in which
Demurrer said Defendant joins. and the
Court being fully advised sustains said
Demurrer to said Pleas, and the Defendant
Clark refusing to swear further

This considered by the Court that
the Plaintiff be not barred from
having or maintaining his aforesaid
action hereagainst said defendant
by reason of anything in said Pleas
contained. And that the Plaintiff
have and recover of said defendant
James Clark his costs leg him
about this Demurrer Expended and
have Execution therefor. and it is
further ordered that all that part
of the affidavit except such as relates
to the truth of the Plea be stricken
out.

And afterwards to wit on the
19th day of December AD 183rd the

same still being one of the days
of the said December Term of said
Court aforesaid the following among
other proceedings were had and
entered of record in said Court
to wit,

Robert M. Lowry I Assumpsit
as Plaintiff
vs August K. Stephenson
& James Clark

This day comes the
said Plaintiff by Fuller & Frisby his attorney
and due personal process of summons in
this cause being had on the Defendant James
K. Stephenson, who having failed to comply
with the rules heretofore entered for plead
ing herein but wholly makes default,
on motion of Plaintiff it is ordered that
the default of said Defendant Stephenson
be taken and entered of record and
that Plaintiff have judgment by default
against him for want of a plea, and
ipso being joined herein as to said defendant
James Clark, on motion of Plaintiff it is
ordered that a Jury come, whereupon come
a Jury of good and lawful men to wit:
Harvey C. Brown George W. Tisdell Charles H. Hoyt
Henry V. Bruse Elias D. Terry Richard Dewey

S. Hitchcock Charles Taylor John Dow
 Charles Johnson George J. McK B. Street
 who being severally tried elected and sworn
 to try the issue joined as to defendant James
 Clark, and assess the damages against the
 defendant James K. Stephenson and at the
 verdict render according to the evidence also
 come, and after hearing the evidence
 adduced, instructions of the court and
 arguments of counsel, retire in charge
 of a sworn officer of this court to consider
 of their verdict, and afterwards come
 into court, and for a verdict upon their
 oaths say. Whether the jury find the issue
 joined for the Plaintiff, and assess
 the damages sustained by Plaintiff
 herein at Five hundred and one dollars
 and Twenty cents, and thereupon cause
 the defendant Clark and unless his
 motion for a new trial herein

day And afterward docket, on the same
 the following among other proceedings
 will have and enter of record in
 said Court docket;

Robert M. Lowry vs Assumpsit
 James K. Stephens & James Clark

This day this cause again coming onto be heard upon defendant Clark's motion for a new trial herein, and the Court being fully advised overrules said motion.

Therefore it is considered by the Court that Plaintiff have and recover of the Defendants his damages of Five Hundred and one dollars and twenty cents in form a check to you aforesaid, and also his costs and charges by him about this suit expended and have Execution therefor.

To which decision of the Court overruling said motion and rendering judgment herein defendant Clark by his counsel accepts, and prays an appeal in this cause to the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois. And it is ordered by the Court that the appeal be allowed upon said defendant giving Bond in the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars to be approved by the Clerk of this Court

And afterward I wrote on the 22nd
day of December A.D. 1837. The same
day being one of the days of said Term
of said Court the following anns
other proceedings were had and
entered of Record in said Court
namely;

Robert M. Gory (Assump't
vs.)
James K. Stevenson
James Clark)

This day comes the
Defendant Clark by Parks his attorney
and enters his motion in arrest
of judgment in this cause and
the Court being fully advised over
rules said motion to which deci-
sion said defendant excepts and
on motion of said defendant the
rule for filing brief on appeal is
extended ten days. and Defendant
offers John Clark as security
which is approved by the Court

and afterward I wrote on the 23rd day of

December A.D. 1887 of the same still being one of the days of said Term of said Court said Defendant Clark filed with the Clerk of said Court his Notice of Exemption duly signed by the Judge thereon which is in the words & figures following to wit;

"Robert M. Sowry Plaintiff
vs
James Clark Implicated
with James N. Stephenson Defendants
Court of Common Pleas
of the City of Anna
December Term A.D.
1887"

Be it remembered that

Upon the trial of the above entitled cause to prove the issue on his part the Plaintiff offered Edward R. Allen who being duly sworn on oath does depose and say. That he is well acquainted with the signature of James Clark. That the name written to the note is the true and genuine signature of James Clark as he believes. he has frequently seen him write & done business with him & has no doubt whatever that the signature is James Clark's.

N. J. Smith stated that he knows the signature of James Clark and believes that the signature attached to said note is the signature of James Clark have no doubt of whatever

On Cross Examination

The Defendant himself put the following question
Look at the note now shown you and state whether

or not there are any alterations, erasures
or interlineations in said Note if yes. in
what respect? Objection to by Plaintiff's
Counsel and objection sustained by
Court and Defendant Clark Excepts -

State whether or not the Note now shown to you has been altered and if altered state both last of your judgment when that alteration took place? Objected to by Plaintiff - objection sustained by Court and defendant Clark excepted. Smith stated that he was an attorney had some knowledge and experience in writing

James Barr the Clerk of this Court was called & sworn says he knows Clark's handwriting. The signature has the appearance of being in his handwriting. The body of the note is in my handwriting. I wrote the Note before it was signed.

I wrote the Note. I wrote the Note first I promise. I changed the "I" to "We". The I & the We and all the Note I wrote is in my handwriting. all done before Stephenson or Clark signed. I have never touched a pen to the Note since it was signed by said Clark & Stephenson.

S. W. Brown says that he knows Clark's handwriting. Thinks the signature to the Note is in Clark's ^{handwriting} & have no doubt about it whatever. which was all the evidence on the part of Plaintiff as it regards signatures

25 The Plaintiff then offered in evidence the
Note to the jury

"#461..83 Aurora February 12th 1857

Fifty four days after date for value received
I promise to pay to R. M. Dowry or bearer Four
hundred & sixty one $\frac{83}{100}$ dollars with interest
at ten per cent

I K Stephenson
James Clark "

both reading of which both the jury the defendant
and the Plaintiff objected - The Court
overruled the objection and permitted the
same to be read. To the overruling
of which motion the defendant Plaintiff and
then excepted

Copy of Note

"#461..83 Aurora February 12th 1857

Fifty four days after date for value received
I promise to pay to R. M. Dowry or bearer Four
hundred & sixty one $\frac{83}{100}$ dollars with interest
at ten per cent I.K. Stephenson
James Clark "

which was all the evidence, and the Plaintiff
then rested his case

The Defendant then offered James G.
Barr who said the note seems to have
been altered. It was written first I promise

to pay them changes to me promise to pay
I wrote it I have no recollection about
the alteration. I presume it was all done
at one time. The note was not signed
in my presence. All I recollect about
it was Sowry wanted me to write a note
that Clark and Stephenson were going to
sign it. The note was not signed in my
presence. The whole body of the note is
in my handwriting the "I" and "we" are
both in my handwriting. I never touched
a pen to the note after it was signed by
Clark & Stephenson to the best of my recollec-
tion

The defendant then offered James K.
Stephenson ~~one of the~~^{had been taken} defendants against whom
a default, the Plaintiff objected and the
Court refused to let him testify and the
defendant then and then excepted to
such ruling of the Court

N. J. Smith was then recalled by the
Defendant. Which said note had appear-
ance of being altered from an I to a we
but should think it was all done by
one person same pen ink and at the same time
should think it was altered at the time the body
of the note was written before signing

He also stated that on several different days last winter Dowry was in his office talking with Stephenson and wanting to get Clark's name upon Note. That he never saw the note in question till today - On Cross Exam
ination he said that the note was in the same handwriting should think the "I" & "M" were made at the same time after the body of the note it was made with the same pen hand and ink.

J.D. Day said the paper looks as though it had been altered from an "I" to a "W."

On Cross Examination said it appears to be in the same handwriting same pen and same ink & should call all off the handwriting of said G.G. Barr the I & the

The Defendant then offered in Evidence the affidavit of the defendant Clark which was permitted to go in Evidence to the jury except that portion stricken out by the Court, and defendant Clark excepted to not permitting the whole go in Evidence to the jury - which was all the Evidence offered in the case, and no other evidence being offered on the parts of the Plaintiff or defendant -

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The Court instructed the jury on the part
of the Plaintiff as follows

(There are no instructions on
file in said Cause in my
office JG Pau cl¹³)

To the giving of which the Defendant
Clark Excluded

and the Defendant then asked the Court to instruct the Jury as follows on the part of the Defendant

1 That the affidavit of Clark is evidence and it follows upon the Plaintiff the burden of proving two facts vizt First The signature of Clark - Second That the note was originally written we promise to pay. and in the absence of such proof on the part of the Plaintiff the Jury should find for the ~~Defendant~~

2 If the Jury believe from the Evidence that that the note in question has been altered from "I promise to pay" to "We promise" since the Execution thereof without the Knowledge of the Defendant Clark. Then the Jury should find for the Defendant Clark

3 If the note appears to be altered upon its face. Then the Plaintiff must by proof affirmatively show that it was done without the Knowledge or Consent of Defendant Clark and in the absence of proof removes

34 Such suspicion on the part of the Plaintiff they should find for the Defendant

4 That the time when and place where said note was altered, if altered is a question of fact for the jury to pass upon, also if the jury believe from the Evidence that the same has been altered without Clarks knowledge then the Jury should find for the Defendant

5 That the affidavit of Clark attached to the note is evidence to the Jury, and unless that evidence is rebutted by the Plaintiff then the Jury should for the Defendant Clark.

That the Jury must find for the Defendant

which instructions were given and then refused by the Court. To the refusal of the Court to give said instructions and each of them the Defendant knew and were Recepted

The Jury retired to consider of their verdict, and subsequently returned into Court the following verdict in the words and figures following I omit;

We the Jury find for the Plaintiff and assess the amount of Ptole and interest to this date \$87.²⁰₁₀₀
Dec 19 1857 S. Hatchcock

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whereupon the Defendant Clark made a motion for a new trial and also in arrest of judgment for the reasons following I omit;

First The Court erred in sustaining a demurral to Defendant Clarks Pleas and each of them, and also in striking out affidavits

Second The Court erred in refusing to allow the questions to be answered by Smalls, and in ruling out testimony offered by Defendant Clark, and in not permitting Stephenson to be sworn.

Third The Court erred in permitting

Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the City of Aurora

the Note to go in evidence without
proving the signature of Stephenson
and also before the Plaintiff had
Explained the alteration of the Note.

Fourth The Court erred in
giving Plaintiff instructions
and also in refusing Defendants
instructions and each of them.

Fifth The verdict is contrary to
Law and is contrary to the evidence

Sixth The verdict finds nothing
and no judgment could be rendered
on the same —

which motion for a
new trial was overruled by the Court
and also the motion in arrest of
judgment to the overruling of
which motions and each of them
by the Court the Defendant Clark
excepts, and prays that this his
M^r of Exceptions may be signed
and sealed by the Court and
made part of the record herein
which is done

Alexander Gibbons 

And afterwards doth on the 29th day
of December A.D. 1837 the said defendant
James Clark file in the office of the
 Clerk of said Court his certain appeal
 Bmo which is in the words & figures
 following to wit;

"Know all men by these presents
that we James Clark and John Clark are
held and firmly bound unto Robert Mc Bowry
in the penal sum of seven hundred dollars lawful
money of the United States for the payment of
which well and truly to be made we bind ourselves
our heirs and legal representatives jointly severally and
firmly by these presents.

Witness our hands and
seals this 28th day of December A.D. 1837.

The condition of the above obligations is such that
Whereas the above named Robert Mc Bowry
did at the December Term A.D. 1837 of the
Court of Common Pleas of the City of Aurora
County of Kane and State of Illinois did recover
a judgment against the above named
James Clark impleaded with James K.
Stephenson for the sum of five hundred and
one $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars besides costs from which said
judgment the said James Clark prayed

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an appeal to the supreme Court of the state
of Illinois.

Now if the said James Clark
shall prosecute said appeal promptly and
without delay and and pay and satisfy such
judgment costs interest and damages in case said
judgment shall be affirmed then the above obligation
to be void otherwise to be and remain in full force and
virtue

James Clark *Seal*
John D Clark *Seal*

State of Illinois
Kankakee County I.S.
City of Aurora. I James. Bran Clark of the
Court of Common Pleas of the
City of Aurora in the County and State aforesaid,
do hereby certify that the above
and foregoing transcript is a true
perfect and complete copy of the
Declaration. Pleas. replication

Demurrer, Miss Exceptions, Distinctions of
the Court on the part of Defendant. Bills
of appeal, and all the Orders and
Judgments of the Court as entered of
record in said Court of Common
Pleas of the City of Aurora aforesaid in a
case lately pending in said Court
wherein Robert M. Dowry was Plaintiff
and James K. Stephenson and James
Clark were Defendants and of the whole
sum as appears to us of record

In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed
the seal of said Court at
Aurora this 25th day of
March A.D. 1838

James G. Barr
 Clerk



Fees for Recov

76th folio \$7.65

Cert & Seal 35 = \$8.00

Paid by Peff

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James Clark Ropes

Robert M. Bowery

Recor

Filed April 22. 1838

L. Leland
CLR



Rep'd.

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State of Illinois
Supreme Court 3 Division
 James Clark, ^{impartado} ~~appellant~~ }
 vs. } appeal for leave
 Robert M. Lowry }
 appellee }

April Term 1858

Afterward to wit on the 26th day
 of April A.D. 1858, at the same time
 of said court before the judges thereof
 comes the said James Clark by
 his attorney his attorney and says that
 in the record and proceedings aforesaid
 and in the recitation of judgment upon
 = said there is manifest error in that
 to wit that the declaration aforesaid
 and the matter therein ^{contains} are not sufficient
 in law for the said Robert M. Lowry to
 have and maintain his aforesaid action
 therein against him the said James
 Clark.

2 There is also error in the recitation of the
 judgment aforesaid against the said
 James Clark and in favour of the
 said Robert M. Lowry upon the damages
 - due of the said Robert M. Lowry to the
 plus of the said James Clark

- 3 Then is also error in the proceedings to my said cause before a jury and in rendering the judgment aforesaid where there was an issue of law proceeding in said cause
- 4 Then is also error in striking out a portion of the affidavit of said James Clarke appurtenant to the plea of the general issue
- 5 Then is also error in sustaining the objection to the interrogatory propounded by ^{said} James Clarke to the witness Mr J Smith called and sworn on the part of said James Clark
- 6 Then is also error in the refusal of the court allowing the note to be read to the jury under the pleadings and evidence
- 7 Then is also error in the refusal of the court to hear the testimony of James H. Stevens one of the parties to the suit against whom a default had been previously entered
- 8 Then is also error in not allowing the

whole of blacks offendant to go into the
Jury

- 9 Then is also error in the refusal of
the Court to give the instructions asked
for by Clark and particularly No^t. 2, 4
& 5
- 11 Then is also error in the neglect of the
Jury and the Non-Indictment of Judgment
thereon
- 12 Then is also error in the overruling of
the motion of the said James Clark
for a new trial
- 13 Then is also error in the overruling of
the Motion of the said James Clark
in arrest of Judgment
- 14 Then is also error in this Court, that by
the Record aforesaid it appears that the
Judgment aforesaid in form aforesaid
gives for the said Robert McDonald against
the said James Clarke impleader or
whence by the Law of the land Judgment
ought to have been given for the said James
Clarke and against the said Robert McDonald

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and the said James Clark prays
that the judgment aforesaid for his sum
aforesaid may be deemed annulled
and altogether null peremptory and
that he may be restored to

to be franked

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