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being error, and it is adjudged, that the said Claim  
is satisfied  
10 July 1855, F. H. Wardlaw

John Harrison  
Mary Harrison  
per pro Amie  
R. H. Edmunds  
on  
John Harrison &

On hearing the report of the Commissioner in  
this case, It is ordered that the same be confirmed.  
It is further ordered, that the Comptroler in  
proceed to sell on the first Monday in December  
next, or some convenient sale day thereafter all  
the slave property belonging to the infants com-  
plainants John Harrison, and Mary Harrison  
on a credit of one, two and three years, with interest  
from day of sale, payable annually, (except so  
much as may be necessary to defray the expenses  
of this suit, which must be paid in Cash) the  
purchasers respectively to give bond with at least  
two good and sufficient securities that to secure the  
payment of the purchase money.

The particular kind of investment of the estate  
of said infants, after the payment by the Commissioner  
of the purchase money of said claims, to abide  
the further order of this Court,  
July 10. F. H. Wardlaw

Sept 1855  
Mary

It is ordered, that the account of the defend-  
ants estate Jonathan Harrison, as Guardian  
of the Plaintiff be referred to the Commissioner of

order of this Court.

On motion of Mr. Boylston, Per. J. J. 9 July, 1855. F. H. Wardlaw

Mrs. Garrison

Mary

Garrison

for son Ann

R. H. Edmunds

vs

Mrs

Garrison

On hearing the bill and answer in this case, it is ordered that it be referred to the Commissioner of this Court to take for son Ann testimony and report as to whether it R. H. Edmunds will be to the advantage of the infants complainants; that a change of investment should be made, and if so what kind of investment will be most advantageous to said Infants. Also ordered that defendants do account before the Commissioner fully for his trusteeship. July 9, 1855. F. H. Wardlaw

Rekey

Elliott

vs

Ann

Elliott

others

The Commissioner having submitted his Report on sales made by him in the above stated case, filed July 1855.

On motion of Wardlaw, Complainants Per. J. J. and by Consent of Woodward & Kim Defendants, Per. J. J.

It is ordered, that the said Report be confirmed, and become the decree

Thursday Morning July 13. 1855.

The Court met this morning pursuant to adjournment, and resumed the consideration of the Case of Littleton Cairns et al. vs. The Bank of the State of South Carolina et al.

Ex Parte

John

Warren

Upon hearing the foregoing petition, and on motion of Hammond, Solr for the Petitioner It is Ordered that it be referred to the Commissioner of this Court to enquire and report whether the facts set forth in the petition are true, the gross value of the estate of the minor John Warren, and whether the Petitioner is a suitable person to become his Guardian.

July 12.

F. H. Wardlaw.

Ex Parte

John

Warren

The Commissioner having submitted his report in the above stated case. On motion of Hammond, Solr for the Petitioner. It is Ordered, that the said Report be confirmed, and that the said John Warren, be appointed Guardian of the person and estate of the infant John Warren, upon his giving bond with at least two approved securities, to the Commissioner of

to become his Guardian.  
July 12.

F. H. Wardlaw.

Ex Parte  
John  
Harrison  
The Commissioner having submitted his report  
in the above stated case. On motion of Hammond  
and Solr for the petitioner. It is Ordered, that  
the said Report be confirmed, and that the  
said John Harrison, Sr be appointed Guardian  
of the person and estate of the infant John  
Harrison, upon his giving bond with at least  
two approved securities, to the Commissioner of  
this Court in the penal sum of twelve thousand  
dollars, conditioned for the faithful discharge  
of his trust as such Guardian.  
July 12.

F. H. Wardlaw

Ex Parte  
R. H. Edmunds  
Upon hearing the foregoing petition, and on  
motion of Hammond, Solr for the petitioner. It  
is Ordered, that it be referred to the Commissioner  
of this Court to enquire and report, whether  
the facts stated in the petition are true, the  
prop value of the estate of the minor Mary  
Harrison, and whether the petitioner is a  
suitable person to become her Guardian.  
July 12

F. H. Wardlaw

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Ex Parte

R. W. Edmunds

The Commissioner having submitted his Report, in the above stated case, On motion of R. W. Edmunds Solr. for the Petitioner. It is Ordered, that the said Report be confirmed and that the said Robert. W. Edmunds be appointed Guardian of the estate of said Infant Mary Warrison, upon his giving bond with at least two approved securities to the Commissioner of this Court. Conditioned for the faithful discharge of his trust, as such Guardian, in the penal sum of twelve thousand dollars.

July 12.

F. W. Wardlaw.

E. P. Motley  
 as  
 Elyas W. M.  
 et al

Ex Parte

David Milling

The Commissioner having submitted his Report in the above petition, On motion of Buchanan, Solr. for the petitioner. It is Ordered, that the same be confirmed, and that David Milling the petitioner be appointed Guardian of his infant Child, Margaret. F. W. Milling upon his giving bond to the Commissioner of this Court with approved security in the penal sum of six thousand, eight hundred dollars, conditioned for the faithful dis-

Edward P. Motley  
 as  
 Elyas W. M.  
 et al

John Harrison &  
Mary Harrison  
of their next friend  
Robert H. Edmunds  
vs  
John Harrison Senr

Comm. Report on Sales

The Commissioners respectfully  
reports,

That in pursuance of the order of sale  
made in this case, at the last term of this  
Court, viz on the first Monday in January  
last, offered for sale at public outcry to  
the highest bidder before the Court House  
in Warrisboro, according to the terms and  
provisions of the order, the eleven negro  
slaves mentioned in the proceedings, and  
they were bid off as follows, to wit:

Robert	by Robert H. Edmunds	at the price of	\$ 1005.00
Mary the Child	by R. H. Edmunds	at	800.00
Harriet the two Children	by Mr. Harrison	at	1240.00
Harry	by William Kelly	at	757.00
Phyllis	by John Harrison Sr.		720.00
Leannier	by Robert H. Edmunds	at	905.00
Charley	by Robert H. Edmunds	at	760.00
Maggie	by Robert H. Edmunds	at	630.00

Thus being the gross amount of Sales \$ 6610.00,  
from this gross amount, the costs and ex-  
penses of such and sales, amounting to  
One hundred & ninety nine dollars, and  
nine & six cents, and which were paid  
in cash by the purchasers, are to be de-  
ducted leaving a netto balance of six  
thousand, four hundred and two dollars,

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The Commissioner respectfully reports,

That in pursuance of the order of sale made in this case, at the last term of this Court, he, on the first Monday in January last, offered for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder before the Court House in Worcester, according to the terms and provisions of the order, the eleven negro slaves mentioned in the proceedings, and they were bid off as follows, to wit:

Robert, by Robt. M. Edmunds at	\$ 1005.00
Mary & her Child, by R. M. Edmunds at	800 00
Harriet & her two Children, by Geo. Garrison, at	1240 00
Harry, by William Hill, at	750 00
Richard, by John Garrison, at	720 00
Fairner, by Robert M. Edmunds at	705 00
Charity, by Robert M. Edmunds at	700 00
Maggie, by Robert M. Edmunds, at	630 00

Making the gross amount of sales \$ 6610.00, from this gross amount, the costs and expenses of suit and sales amounting to One hundred & ninety nine dollars, and ninety six cents, and which were paid in cash by the purchasers, are to be deducted leaving a net balance of six thousand, four hundred and ten dollars, and four cents, which amount is covered by the several bonds of the respective purchasers, issued according to the terms of the order.

Respectfully submitted  
W. H. Robertson  
Court in Dept  
1856

Amie Collett

et al

The Commissioner to whom  
it was referred has since in a report entitled  
"as to the facts found and proposed and also  
to complainants and respondent" and  
asks leave to report;

That he has made the evidence  
of his respectable witnesses who are witnesses  
that the complainants and respondent's witnesses  
are respectively entitled to be paid their  
allowance for their services in this case and he  
therefore recommends that said sum be  
paid to the complainants and that the  
like sum be paid to the respondent. He  
also proceeds to state

9 July 1855

Wm. Woodward  
Commissioner

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John Harrison  
Mary Harrison  
pro pro amie  
R. W. Edmunds

Comrs Report

John Harrison for

The Commissioner respectfully  
fully reports that he has taken testimony  
as to whether it would be advantageous to  
the interest of the infant complainants,  
that their names should be added, and a  
change of investment made.

Wm. Woodward and



Mr. Hammond, familiar with the character of the property, and of the various facts as stated in the petition, gives it as their opinion that it would be greatly to the interest of the infants, that the change of investment as prayed for, should be made. In these opinions the Commissioners fully concur, and feel no embarrassment in recommending their property seems to have been very injudiciously managed, and greatly depreciated in quantity and value; and still seems to be in a wasting condition.

As to what particular kind of investment should be substituted for the present is a matter of some embarrassment to the Commissioners. They think for the present that it is only necessary to sell the property on a credit of one, two and three years, with interest from date, to be paid annually, secured by Bonds with at least two approved securities and when the Bonds fall due, and the moneys are paid in, a state of things very different from what now exists, may then exist; and the Commissioners would respectfully suggest and recommend, that the subject of investment be continued over for the present, until the money is due, and ready to be paid on the Bonds, when this particular matter can then be settled, and a judicious investment recommended according to the facts.

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recommended according to the facts  
and conditions of things which may  
then exist.

Respectfully Submitted  
W. R. Wilson C. S. J. S.

11 Feb. 1855

Ex Parte

John Harrison Jr } Comr Report

The Commissioner respectfully reports, that he has heard testimony on the matters referred, and finds them as stated in the petition to be true.

The age of the infant is about as stated in the petition, to wit, two years, and from proof is entitled to an estate worth about four thousand dollars.

Mrs J. H. Henderson, and R. Colverman testify to the truth of the petition for this guardianship of infant person and estate. Besides it is in proof that Mrs. Harrison, the wife of petitioner, and her paternal grandmother of the infant, has had the charge and management of her grand child, for several years, to wit, ever since the death of infant's mother, and that her affection for him is equal to that of a mother. Her character is well known to the Commissioner, and he believes her fully competent in every particular to track and bring up this grand child of hers in a proper manner. These considerations, together with the proof

that the petitioner is a fit and proper person for the trust, authorizes the Commissioner to recommend his appointment, and he accordingly so recommends, upon the petitioner giving bond with at least two approved securities, in the penalty of twelve thousand dollars, conditioned for the

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reports, that he has heard testimony on the  
matters referred, and finds them as stated in the  
petition to be true.

The age of the infant is about  
as stated in the petition, to wit. two years; and  
from proof is entitled to an estate worth about  
four thousand dollars.

Messrs J. R. Henderson, and R. C. Woodward  
testify to the infancy of the petitioner for the  
guardianship of infants person and estate,  
besides it is in proof, that Mrs. Warrick the  
wife of petitioner, and paternal grandmother  
of the infant, has had the charge and  
management of her grand child for several  
years, to wit, ever since the death of infant's  
mother, and that her affection for him is  
equal to that of a mother. Her character is  
well known to the Commissioner, and he  
believes her fully competent in every par-  
ticular to train and bring up this grand  
child of hers in a proper manner. These  
considerations, together with the proof,  
that the petitioner is a fit and proper person  
for the trust, authorizes the Commissioner  
to recommend his appointment, and he  
accordingly so recommends, as per the  
petitioner giving bond with at least two  
approved securities, in the penalty of twelve  
thousand dollars, conditioned for the  
faithful performance of his trust.

Respectfully Submitted

11 July 1857

H. R. Robertson

C. E. S.

in the proportion prescribed by the statute  
for the distribution of intestate estate of  
free in this State.

The Commissioner would  
name as a suitable person to act as trustee  
of Mrs. Trappe, her brother John T. Danks.  
We understand his appointment will  
meet the approval of all concerned, and  
therefore recommend his appointment  
for the trust upon his giving bond to the  
Commissioner of this Court, with at least  
two approved securities, in the penalty of four  
thousand dollars, conditioned for the  
faithful performance of his trust.

Respectfully Submitted  
July 10, 1855. J. R. Robertson, C. C. T.

Ex Parte

Cover's Report

R. H. Edwards

The Commissioner perfectly  
justly reports, that he has heard testimony  
on the matters referred, and finds them  
as stated in the petition to be true.

The age of the infant is  
about eight years, as stated in the  
petition, and she is worth about four  
thousand dollars.

The infant has been living with her  
and has been constantly under the charge  
and management of Mrs. Ann S. Edwards  
the maternal Grand mother, who has  
the custody of the infant. The petitioner

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is the son of Mrs Edmunds, the grand mother of the infants, and consequently its maternal uncle. We do not apply for the guardianship of infants *per se*, but prefer that it shall remain with its grand mother, the application is only for the guardianship of its estate

For this trust, the proof is, the petitioner is a fit and proper person, and his appointment is therefore recommended upon his giving bond, with as least two approved securities, in the sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of his trust.

11 July, 1855.

Respectfully submitted  
D. H. Roper Esq.  
C. C. P. 25

Ex Parte

Thomas W. Mulling }  
Wm. Alex Mulling }

Com. Report

The Com. firmes respectfully reports, that he has taken testimony on the matters referred, and finds them as stated in the petition to be substantially true.

The respective ages of the infants are about those set forth in the petition, to wit, Thomas about fifteen years, and William about fourteen years old, and they are entitled each to an estate worth about thirty four hundred dollars derived from the source set forth in the petition.

John Harrison &  
Mary Harrison  
of their next friend  
Robert H. Edmunds  
vs  
John Harrison Senr

Com<sup>rs</sup> Report on Sale

The Commissioners respectfully  
report,

That in pursuance of the order of sale  
made in this case, at the last term of this  
Court, viz on the first Monday in January  
last, offered for sale at public outcry to  
the highest bidder before the Court House  
in Warrimobro, according to the terms and  
provisions of the order, the eleven negro  
slaves mentioned in the proceedings, and  
they were bid off as follows; to wit:

Robert	by Robert H. Edmunds	at the price of \$	1005.00
Mary	her Child	by R. H. Edmunds	at 800.00
Harriet	her two Children	by J. Harrison	at 1240.00
Harry	by William Kelly	at	757.11
Phelia	by John Harrison Sr.		720.00
Jessie	by Robert H. Edmunds	at	705.00
Charity	by Robert H. Edmunds	at	760.00
Maggie	by Robert H. Edmunds	at	630.00

The being the gross amount of Sales \$ 6610.00,  
from this gross amount, the costs and ex-  
penses of writ and sales amounting to  
One hundred & ninety nine dollars, and  
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in Cash by the purchasers, are to be de-  
ducted, leaving a netto balance of six  
thousand, four hundred and ten dollars,

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The Commissioner respectfully reports,

That in pursuance of the order of sale made in this case, at the last term of this Court, he, on the first Monday in January last, offered for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder before the Court House in Worcester, according to the terms and provisions of the order, the eleven negro slaves mentioned in the proceedings, and they were bid off as follows, to wit:

Robin, by Robt. H. Edmunds at the price of	\$ 1005.00
Mary & her Child, by R. H. Edmunds at	800 00
Harriet & her two Children, by Geo. Garrison, at	1240.00
Harvey, by William Kelly, at	757.11.
Rhoda, by John Garrison, at	720 00
Fannie, by Robert H. Edmunds at	705.00
Charity, by Robert H. Edmunds at	700 00
Maggie, by Robert H. Edmunds, at	630.00

Resulting the gross amount of Sales \$ 6610.00, from this gross amount, the costs and expenses of suit and sales, amounting to One hundred & ninety nine dollars, and ninety six cents, and which were paid in cash by the purchasers, are to be deducted, leaving a net balance of six thousand, four hundred and ten dollars, and four cents, which amount is covered by the several bonds of the respective purchasers, issued according to the terms of the sale.

July, 1856

Respectfully submitted  
W. H. Robertson  
Court Clerk



State of South Carolina,  
County of Fairfield.

Personally appeared before me J B Boyd one of the subscribing witnesses to the instrument of writing hereto attached and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God, that deponent saw J. S. Edmunds sign seal, publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament; that he testator was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; and that deponent together with Elouise P. Moore and L. R. Bowen, signed their names thereto as witnesses, at the request and in the presence of testator, and in the presence of each other, sworn to and subscribed before me in open court the 17th oct 1922.

W. H. Hickey Judge of Probate

State of South Carolina  
County of Fairfield

I do solemnly swear that the writing contains the last will of the within named J. S. Edmunds deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly execute the same, by paying first the debts and then the legacies contained in the said will, so far as his goods and chattels will thereto extend and the law charge me; and that I will make a true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels. So help me God Sworn to and subscribed before me the 17th day of Oct 1922

W. H. Hickey  
Judge of Probate

Last will and Testament of J. S. Edmunds.

State of South Carolina,  
County of Fairfield.

I J. S. Edmunds of the Town of Ridgeway, in the County of  
Fairfield in State of South Carolina, do hereby make,  
Publish and declare this to be my last will and  
Testament.

Item one

I will and direct that all my just debts  
be paid.

Item two

I give, devise and bequeath unto my wife  
Marian B. Edmunds absolutely and forever, all my  
Property both Real and Personal of every kind whatsoever  
believing and knowing that she will make due and  
just provisions at all times for the proper education  
Maintenance and support of our children.

Item three

I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my wife  
Marian B. Edmunds as Executor of this my last will  
and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed  
my Name and set my seal this 24th day of  
Sept. A. D. 1917

J. S. Edmunds

Signed, Sealed, Published and declared  
by the said J. S. Edmunds to be his last  
will and testament, in the presence of  
each of us, and we at his request and  
in his presence and in the presence of each  
other have hereunto subscribed our Names  
as witnesses the 24th day of Sept, 1917

Flournoy P. Moore

L. H. Rawson

J. B. Hayt