

**NEW**

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**BEGINS**

VERNON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
CIRCUIT CIVIL

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Feb. 1875.

# 83, 2819

Nannie E. Bracken;  
Charles F. Bracken

vs

Emily C. Wray;  
John Wray; her husband,  
B.Y. Estes

Ejectment

Depositions with carbon family history

In the Circuit Court of Vernon County.  
State of Missouri  
February Term 1874.

Nannie E Bracken and  
Charles F. Bracken, Plaintiffs }  
against } B G Estes, Defendant }  
Ejectment.

The plaintiffs, Nannie E Bracken and her husband Charles F. Bracken, complain of the defendant, B G Estes, and say that on the first day of January A.D. 1870, they were and constantly since then have been entitled to the possession of the following described real estate, situate in the County of Vernon State of Missouri, to wit: /

The South East quarter of the North West quarter of Section Twenty-one (21); and also the South half of the North East quarter of the North West quarter of Section Twenty (20); and the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section Twenty (20), all in Township Thirty Six (36) of Range Thirty one (31). Containing One hundred acres, more or less. And that being so entitled to the possession thereof as aforesaid, the said defendant afterwards, to wit - on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January A.D. 1870, entered into and upon said described premises, and constantly since then

and now unlawfully withholds from the plaintiffs the possession thereof to their damage in the sum of One Thousand Dollars.

Plaintiffs further state that the monthly rents and profits of the said described premises are Thirty Dollars.

Wherefore, the premises being considered the plaintiffs pray the court for a judgment against the said defendant for the recovery of the possession of the said described premises; and also for the sum of One Thousand Dollars, the damages sustained by them as aforesaid; and also judgment for the rents and profits of the said premises as aforesaid and for the costs of this suit.

Nannie B. Bracken and  
Bracken.

By

Scott & Stone and G. S. Hoss  
Attns for Plaintiffs

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**The State of Missouri } ss. In the Circuit Court.  
COUNTY OF VERNON.**

*The State of Missouri to the Sheriff of Vernon County*  
**GREETING:**

**WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON**

*B. G. Estes*

*if he be found in your County, to appear before our Circuit Court to be held  
en within and for the County of Vernon, at the Court House in the town of Nevada  
City in said County, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be begun and held  
on the second Monday in February next, A. D. 1875, then  
and there before the Judge of our said Court, to answer the petition of*

*Nannie E. Bracken and Charles F.  
Bracken*

*(which said petition is now on file in the office of the Clerk  
of said Court.) And have you then and there this writ, with the return of your ac-  
tion thereupon.*

WITNESS my hand, as Clerk of our said Court, and the seal thereof.

Done at office in NEVADA CITY, in the County aforesaid, on the

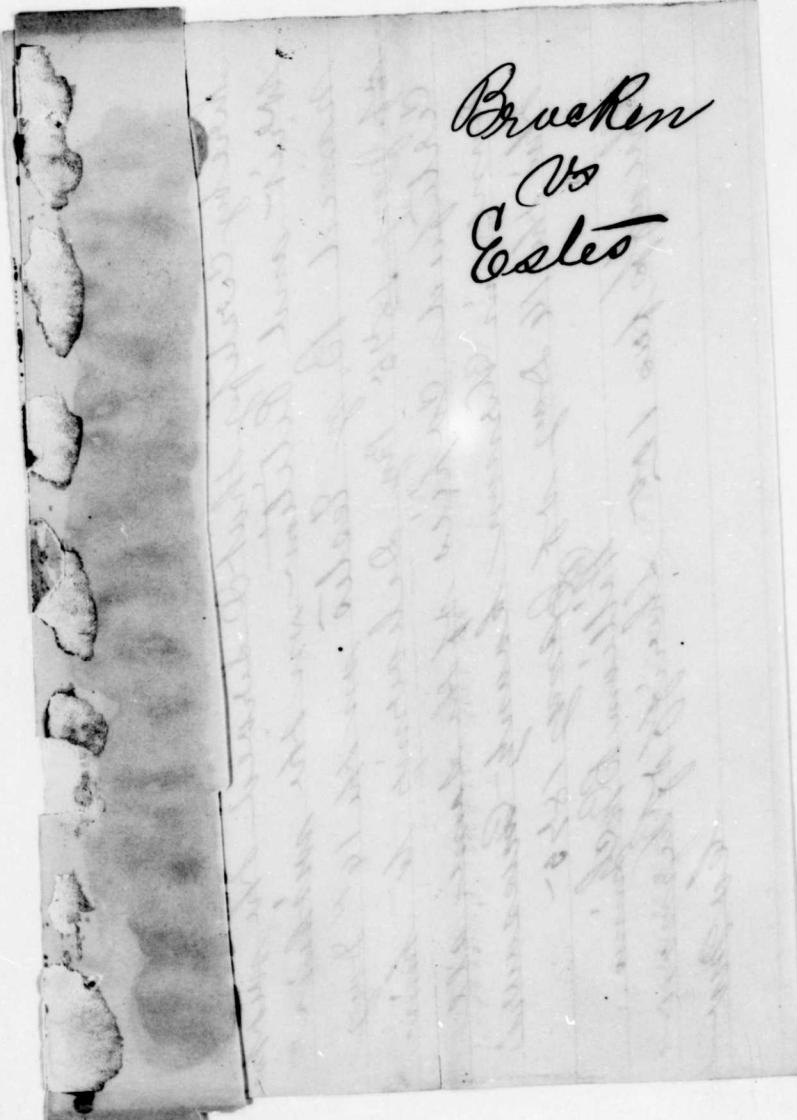
*11th day of January A. D. 1875*  
*J. F. Norman CLERK.*

DEPUTY CLERK

State of Missouri and so  
County of Vernon & William B. McPherson  
Sheriff of County and State aforesaid do  
hereby certify that I served the within  
writ and Petition on the within  
named B. F. Estes on the 14<sup>th</sup> day  
of Jan'y 1845 by delivering to him  
Certified copies of the same all  
done in Vernon County Missouri  
this the 14 day of Jan'y 1845

William B. McPherson  
Sheriff fees 100<sup>00</sup> Sheriff of Vernon  
Co Mo

Brueken  
vs  
Estes



In the Circuit Court of Vernon  
County New York Term 1875

Nannie Bruckers and  
Charles F. Bruckers *Df*

or

Ejectment

B. G. Estes and others *Df*  
May & Emily C. May *Df*

The separate and joint answer of John  
May and Emily C. May. Defendants  
in the above entitled cause, come  
and for their answer say that it is  
not true and they deny, that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day  
of January 1870, the plaintiff or either  
of them were on that day or ever since have  
been entitled to the possession of the real  
estate described in the petition or  
any part thereof.

These defendants say it is not true and  
they deny, that afterwards to-wit on the  
1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1870 or at other time  
that said B. G. Estes unlawfully entered  
into the possession of said premises or  
unlawfully withheld the possession  
of the same.

These defendants deny that the plaintiff have  
sustained damage to the amount of  
One Thousand Dollars or other sum

Say it is not true and deny, that the  
monthly value of the rent and profit  
of said premises is Thirty Dollars

These defendants deny that plaintiff are entitled  
to any judgment whatever against them  
defts or the said R. E. Easton, for the recovery  
of the premises, for damages monthly  
rents and profits or any matter arising  
whatever, & having fully answered, deny  
to be demanded with their reasonable  
costs

John May and  
Eunice May left by  
the city Johnson &  
Austin & Wright attoys  
for

No. 83

Kanner & Buckner  
Carriers of Provisions

D. S. Clegg  
John Drew &  
Loring & May

Printed and  
Supt. by J. S. Clegg

Filed Feb 11, 1875

J. F. Norman  
clerk

## Notice to take Depositions.

Wagner's Statutes, Page 523, Sec. 9—Page 524, Sec. 10-13.

Nannie E Bracken  
 & Charles F Bracken  
 her husband } Plaintiffs  
 AGAINST  
 B. J. Estes.  
 John Gray &  
 Emily Gray  
 Defendants } County of Vernon  
 STATE OF MISSOURI.

To the above named Defendants.

You are hereby Notified, That Depositions of witnesses to be read in evidence in the  
 above entitled cause, on the part of the plaintiffs, will be taken at the law office  
 of Squire Turner at Columbia  
 in the County of Boone and State of Missouri on  
 the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1875, between the hours of eight o'clock  
 in the forenoon and six o'clock in the afternoon of that day; and that the taking of said Depositions, if not completed  
 on that day, will be continued from day to day, at the same place, and between the same hours until completed.

Service of the above notice is hereby acknowledged and  
issue of dedimus, and all exceptions, as to time waived.

Nevada Mo Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 1875  
 signed & witnessed  
 Atty of record for said defendants.

Scott & Stone  
 Atlys for said plaintiffs.

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Depositions

Of Witnesses produced,  
Sworn and examined on the  
20th day of August in the  
Year of our Lord, 1875; between  
the hours of eight o'clock in the  
forenoon and six o'clock in the  
afternoon of that day at the  
law office of Squire Turner in  
the town of Columbia, in the  
County of Boone in the State  
of Missouri before me, Lewis  
M. Sintzler, within a Notary  
Public within and for said  
County and State, in a certain  
cause now depending in the  
Circuit Court of the County of  
Benton, in the State of Missouri,  
between Annie E. Bracken  
and Charles F. Bracken, plain-  
tiffs and H. Y. Eaton, John  
Wray and Emily Wray, de-  
fendants, on the part of the  
plaintiffs:

State of Missouri }  
County of Boone } ss.

Lewis M. Smithson deposes and says:—

On the 20th day of August, 1876, depositions of witnesses in the case of Breckinridge May et al., were taken before me in Columbia, Missouri, said case being then pending in the circuit court of Vernon County; that John B. Little, John Pruitt and Joll Hawkins, deposed as witnesses on said occasion in the said case; that John B. Little and John Pruitt reside 15 miles from Columbia and Joll Hawkins 8 miles from the said place; that my fee of \$5 for the taking and certifying of said depositions was paid by John B. Little, who acted for the plaintiff in said case.

Lewis M. Smithson.

Subscribed and sworn to before  
(over)

Jany 25 1875; term of office expires  
Jany 25 1879.

Frank D. Adams  
Attala County  
Mississippi

John B. Little, of lawful age,  
being produced, sworn and examined,  
deposes and says: My name is  
John B. Little, I reside in  
Boone County, Missouri. I  
am acquainted with Mrs. Bracken  
one of the plaintiffs in this cause.  
I used to know her mother.  
Her mother was named Nancy  
Caton before she was married.  
She married a man by the  
name of Seal. They lived in  
Boone county, Missouri; Nancy  
Caton who married Seal was  
a daughter of Jemima L. Ca-  
ton. From my earliest recollection  
until it was about seventeen years old,  
Nancy Caton lived with  
Jemima L. Caton, until the  
former married and came to  
Missouri. Nancy did not  
marry before I came to Miss-  
ouri. She married ~~the~~ af-  
ter I left Kentucky and came  
to Missouri. I lived very close  
to Jemima Caton in what was  
then Mercer County, in Kentucky.  
The court has since been chan-  
ged to Boyle. I was inti-  
mately acquainted with the family.

According to my understanding  
Noah Cator was the husband  
of Jemima Cator. They were  
reputed to be ~~husband~~<sup>where they lived,</sup> and wife,  
in the community, and were  
always so spoken of. My un-  
derstanding is that ~~Noah~~<sup>Cator</sup> left  
Kentucky and came to Missouri  
and settled near St. Charles.  
(defendant's attorney objects to the  
foregoing, for the reason it is  
hearsay evidence) Mrs. Breckin,  
daughter of Nancy Seal, formerly  
Nancy Cator, wife of Henry  
Seal, was born in Boone  
County, Missouri, and af-  
ter moved ~~back~~ to Kentucky  
with her mother. Nancy  
Seal with her daughter moved  
back into Mercer or ~~now~~<sup>now</sup> Fayette  
County, Kentucky, into the neigh-  
borhood of her mother Jemima  
Cator and there remained un-  
til her death. After Henry  
and Nancy Seal and their  
daughter went back to Kentucky  
I was in Kentucky on a visit  
and recognised Nancy Breckin  
the daughter of Henry and

Francy Seal. I mean I  
recognised their daughter  
Francy Seal who afterwards  
became Francy Bracken.  
She was the only child of  
Henry and Francy Seal  
as far as I ever knew.

Francy Seal and Noah Caton  
are dead to the best of my  
knowledge. (Defendant's attorney  
objects to the foregoing, because  
the persons mentioned ~~are~~ ~~dead~~  
by witness as being dead are  
known to be so by him only by  
~~report~~ and not by his own  
knowledge) I know that Je-  
mima Caton is dead positively,  
I saw her buried.

Cross-examined by defendant's  
attorney.

Mrs. Bracken is my niece.  
Francy is the only child of  
Noah and Jemima Caton.  
That I ever heard of or knew  
of. I knew Jemima Caton in  
her lifetime. The Mrs. Bracken  
to whom I refer is ~~the~~ one of the  
plaintiffs in this case

John B. Little

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me, on the day at the place and within  
the hours first aforesaid.

Lewis W. Bentler  
Notary Public

John Provitt, of lawful age,  
being produced, sworn and examined  
deposes and says:  
I live in Boone county, Missouri.  
I will be 79 years of age next  
October. I have lived in  
Boone county since 1836. I  
lived in Kentucky before coming  
to Missouri. I was born  
and raised in Mercer county,  
Kentucky. The part of that  
county where I was born and  
raised has since been stricken  
off and is now in Boyle  
county. I knew Noah Cator  
while I lived in Kentucky. I  
knew Jemima Cator in Kentucky.  
I knew George Cator, the father  
of Jemima Cator. I was  
living in <sup>what is now</sup> Boyle county, ~~Kentucky~~  
in ~~until~~ 1808 and remained there  
until 1820, when I moved to  
Howard county, Missouri,  
from which last place I moved

to Boone County in 1886, as stated above. In Kentucky I lived in the same neighborhood with Jemima Caton's father - about 5 miles distant and about a mile and ~~one~~ a half from old Mr. Harley who was Jemima Caton's grandfather. When I first knew Noah Caton he was reported to be married to Jemima Caton. Noah Caton at that time lived at Jemima Caton's father's house I suppose about three years. During this time they were recognized by every body and by each other as husband and wife. It was in 1808 or 1809 that I first knew them. While Noah and Jemima Caton were living together they had a daughter born afterward named Francy Caton. My best recollection is that Francy Caton was born in the Spring of the year 1811. In the fall after the birth of Francy Caton Noah Caton

left Kentucky and it was  
rumored that he came to  
Missouri to pay his father  
a visit. Noah and Fannie  
Caton were cousins - ~~but~~  
the children of brothers. I  
knew Nancy Caton after she  
grew up. I knew her from  
her infancy up, and knew  
her after she was married  
and frequently saw her during  
the whole time. She married a  
man by the name of Seal whose  
Christian name I think was  
Henry, and some the last  
time I saw Nancy Seal and  
her husband was on a visit  
which they paid to me in this  
county several years after I  
was married, and I was  
married in 1836. On this visit  
they brought with them an infant  
daughter who is now present,  
a grown woman and one of  
the plaintiffs in this case.  
Her name is Nancy E. Bracken.  
I have understood that she  
married a man named Bracken.  
Mr. Seal and his wife had

Boone county  
came to Missouri to live but  
declined to do so and returned  
to Kentucky. Some six or seven  
years after they paid a visit  
to me, I returned to Kentucky  
on a visit to my old neighbor-  
hood and learned that Mrs.  
Seal had died. During this  
visit to Kentucky I frequently  
saw Mrs. Seal's daughter at the  
house of a lady with whom  
her father, Mr. Seal had  
left her to be raised, and  
I recognised in her a strong family  
resemblance to her family on both  
the seal and her mother's side.  
I recognise the lady present, who  
is plaintiff in this cause, as  
the girl I saw in Kentucky,  
and who was then called Nancy  
Seal. Several years after Mr.  
Seal and his wife and child  
were at my house, Femina Caton  
removed to Boone County, Missouri.  
I knew her during the time she  
lived here. Femina Caton is dead.  
I saw her during her last illness,  
but cannot fix the date when  
she died. She died in Boone

county. This is the same Je-  
minia Caton who lived in Kentucky  
with Noah Caton as husband  
and wife. Jemima Caton had  
a red mark, looking something like  
a cancer, ~~growing~~ on the left  
side of her lower lip. I saw  
it there every time I ever saw  
her. The mark was more  
like a blackberry in resem-  
blance than that of a cancer.  
I have stated that Nancy Seal the  
daughter of Noah and Jemima  
Caton was born in the Spring of  
1811, and I distinctly recollect  
that she was born before the  
breaking out of the war of  
1812 with Great Britain.

Examined by defendant's  
attorney.

Some three months after the  
marriage of Noah and Nancy  
Caton she gave birth to a child,  
and about two years after that  
another was born. The last one  
was Nancy Caton. The first child  
was not regarded as the child  
of Noah Caton. The last one  
one, Nancy Caton, was <sup>acknowledged</sup> ~~perceived~~

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as the child of Noah and  
Jemima Caton. She was ack-  
nowledged and believed to be the  
only lawful child of Noah  
and Jemima Caton. I do not  
know that the Noah Caton who  
died in Vernon County, Missouri,  
was the same Noah Caton whom  
I knew in Kentucky.

Re-examined by Plaintiff's  
attorney:

I know or heard of but one  
Noah Caton. I am in good  
health and have rode twenty  
miles today to give this depo-  
sition. I am as healthy  
and stout as any man  
in Boone county of my age.

John Prewitt

Subscribed and sworn to before me, on  
the day, at the place and within the  
hours first aforesaid.

Lewis H. Amittler  
Notary Public

Joel Hawkins of lawful age being  
produced, sworn and examined  
deposes and says: - I will

be fifty one years of age next December. I live in Boone County, Missouri. I have been married about 31 years. I married in Boone county. I married a daughter of Jemima Caton. My wife's christian name is Zeselda E. I knew Nancy Seal. Her husband's name was Henry Seal. About 30 years ago I became acquainted with Henry and Nancy Seal when they came to Missouri on a visit. This was the same time referred to by Mr. Prentiss in his deposition. They came here with a view of remaining but after staying about 18 months they returned to Kentucky. I know Nancy E. Bracken, plaintiff in this cause. She was the child of Henry and Nancy Seal. She was born at my house in Boone county. After Seal and his wife moved to Kentucky with this daughter, there was a correspondence kept up between Seal's family and my own

The daughter, the plaintiff,  
has visited me frequently  
up to the present time.  
I know she is the same  
child born to Henry and Nancy  
Cleal at my house. During  
the time that Henry and Nancy  
Cleal were at my house  
Jacob Caton came to Boone  
County. He stopped at Prof.  
Mileys. That is about 3  
miles from my house. He  
came to ~~my house~~ Boone County  
for the purpose of getting  
Nancy Cleal to go home with  
him to Vernon County. It  
was my understanding at that  
time that he lives in Vernon  
County. Mrs. Cleal declined  
going with him because she  
and her husband had con-  
cluded to go to Kentucky on  
account of his father's ill-  
ness. He wanted Mrs. Cleal  
to go home with him and  
promised to do a child's part  
~~by~~<sup>with</sup> her. I knew Jemima  
Caton well. She died about  
5 years ago, in 1870 or 1871

She died in Boone county  
and I was at her burial at  
at Bethlehem church in said  
county. I saw her after she  
was dead and recognized her  
as the Jemima Caton I had  
known. There was a peculiar  
mark, of reddish purple color,  
near one ~~the~~ corner of her  
mouth, about the size of a  
blackberry. ~~It was said~~  
By general reputation Nancy Caton  
~~was~~ the married girl was the  
daughter of Noah and ~~of~~  
Jemima Caton. It was the  
general report in the Caton  
family that Noah and Je-  
mima Caton were cousins, and  
such was the report among  
those who knew them. Noah  
Caton's father was named  
Jesus Caton. Jemima Ca-  
ton's father was named George  
Caton. George and Jesus  
Caton were brothers, according  
to my understanding from the  
Caton relations and those  
who knew them.

Examined by defendant's  
attorney

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I was not acquainted with  
Stack Caton. I know it was  
~~Stack Caton who came to Boone  
County~~

I know it was Stack Caton  
who came to Boone County  
by the message he sent ~~to~~ by  
Mr. Miley to Stoney Creek.  
I don't recollect that Mr.  
Miley said it was Stack Caton.  
I never saw Stack Caton.

Re-examined by Plaintiff's attorney:

I never saw Stack Caton  
to know him. I may have  
seen him and not known  
it was him

Witness:

Lewis M. Smith. Joel <sup>his</sup> Harkins.  
~~mark~~

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me on the day at the place, and  
within the hours first aforesaid.

Lewis M. Smith  
Notary Public

I, Lewis M. Snitzler, a  
Notary Public within and  
for the county of Boone  
in the State of Missouri,  
do certify that in pursuance of  
the several notice came before me  
at the law office of Squire Turner,  
in the town of Columbia, within the  
county of Boone and State of  
Missouri, John B. Little, John  
Pruitt, and Joel Hawkins, who  
were by me severally sworn to testify  
the whole truth of their knowledge  
touching the matter in controversy  
aforesaid; that they were examined  
and their examination reduced to  
writing, and subscribed by them  
respectively, in my presence, on the  
day, between the hours, and at the  
place, in that behalf first aforesay-  
ed, and their said depositions  
are now herewith returned. And  
I hereby certify that John B. Little,  
John Pruitt and Joel Hawkins  
are residents of the county of  
Boone, State of Missouri.

In testimony whereof I  
hereunto set my hand and of-  
ficial seal, at office, in

in the County of Boone,  
the town of Columbia, in the  
State of Missouri, on  
August 24, 1875. And I do  
further certify that all em-  
asures and interlineations  
now appearing in said dep-  
ositions were made prior to  
the witnesses' subscribing to  
the same; and further, that  
I was duly qualified on  
April 30, 1872, and that my  
commission will expire on  
April 24, 1876.

Lewis M. Smithson,  
Notary Public.

Filed Aug 23 1875.  
J. F. Norman  
clerk

## SUBPOENA, CIRCUIT.

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**The State of Missouri,**

Moses <sup>Gone</sup> Brown <sup>28</sup> To John Harrison and

**GREETING:**

You are hereby commanded, all excuses and delays set aside, that you be and appear before the Judge of our Vernon Circuit Court, at the Court House in Nevada, on Wednesday the 3rd day of November 1875 then and there to testify, and the truth of your knowledge to speak concerning a certain matter of controversy, in said Court now pending, wherein

Bracken & Bracken are

Plaintiff, and

B. Y. Estis et al are  
Defendant, on the part of the Plaintiff and this you shall  
in nowise omit, under legal penalty.

Witness *I. D. Norman*, Clerk of said

Circuit Court, with the seal thereof hereto affixed, at office in  
Nevada, this 26 day of October 1875 —

*I. D. Norman*, Clerk.  
By Amherst D.C.

State of Missouri  
County of Vernon 3d William B. McKinney  
Sheriff of County and State aforesaid do hereby  
certify that he served the within subpoena  
on the within named John D. Barberon  
on the 28 day of Oct 1845 by reading the  
same to him in his presence and hearing  
and further certifying that the within  
named Moses Brown can not be found  
in Vernon on the 28 day of Oct 1845

Sheriff fees 75

William B. McKinney  
Sheriff of Vernon No 100

Herbison & Brown

## SUBPOENA, CIRCUIT.

The State of Missouri,

To James Bryan

### GREETING:

You are hereby commanded, all excuses and delays set aside, that you be and appear before the Judge of our Vernon Circuit Court, at the Court House in Nevada, on Wednesday Nov 3 1875 then and there to testify, and the truth of your knowledge to speak concerning a certain matter of controversy, in said Court now pending, wherein

Bracken & Bracken is

Plaintiff, and B G Eats & John Way is

Defendant, on the part of the Plaintiff and this you shall in nowise omit, under legal penalty.

Witness

J F Norman, Clerk of said  
Circuit Court, with the seal thereof hereto affixed, at office in  
Nevada, this 2 day of Nov 1875

J F Norman, Clerk.

State of Mississippi vs  
County of Tensas & William B. McKinie  
Sheriff of County and State aforesaid  
do hereby certify that I served the  
within subpoena on the within named  
James Bryce at Reading the same to  
him in his presence and having all  
done in Tensas Co Nov this the  
20th day of November 1875

Sheriff per [initials] William B. McKinie  
Sheriff of Tensas  
Co Nov

Deposition of witness, produced sworn and  
examined on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, in  
the year of our Lord 1875 between the hour  
of eight o'clock in the forenoon and six o'clock  
in the afternoon of that day, at the residence  
of John Harkison in the town of Nevada  
in the County of Vernon and State of Missouri  
before me, Granville S. Ross, a Notary  
Public, in a certain cause, now depending  
in the Circuit Court of the County of Vernon  
in the State of Missouri, between, Annie  
S. Bracken and Charles Bracken her husband  
Plaintiffs, and P. Y. Estes, Defendants  
on the part of the plaintiffs.

John Harkison of lawful age, being  
produced sworn and examined on the part  
of the plaintiffs, deposes and saith:

My age is seventy six, residence Vernon  
County. I was born and raised in Mercer  
County Kentucky, and was acquainted with  
Abel Eaton and Jemimah Eaton, and lived  
as a mile and a half of Jemimah Eaton's father.  
Abel Eaton and Jemimah Eaton lived together  
as man and wife in Kentucky.

After they were known as man and wife,  
they lived at Jemimah Eaton's father's about

a mile and a half from my father's.

There was one child, Harvey, recognized by the family, as the child of Noah Eaton and <sup>his</sup> ~~Jeremiah~~ Eaton. This is the only child I ever saw or heard of, that was recognized as theirs.

Noah Eaton, that I knew in Kentucky, left the neighborhood, and <sup>went</sup> away from his wife. And I was acquainted with Noah Eaton that lived and died in <sup>Benton County in</sup> this State, and he was the same Noah Eaton that I knew in Kentucky, who <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ the husband of <sup>recognized as</sup> Jeremiah Eaton.

The morning after I came to this County, Noah Eaton came to see me before breakfast, and asked me to say nothing about ~~the~~ the transaction of his marrying in Kentucky, that he had raised a family here, and it would simply expose him and do me no good, and I promised I would not, and I have not until since this suit,

(Defendant Counsel objected to the declaration of Eaton to witness as hearsay evidence.)

It was reported there in the neighborhood where I live that John McGraw, a preacher, married Noah and Jeremiah Eaton, and he told me he did.

(all of which is objected to by defendant counsel as hearsay evidence).

I left Mercer County Kentucky in 1826 or 1827.  
I can't state how long before that time. No one  
knew left. John Harkison

Subscribed and sworn to before me on  
the day at the place and within the hours first a-  
foreaid.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and  
official seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 1873.

Granville L. Jones  
Notary Public

I, Granville L. Jones, a Notary Public  
within and for the County of Union in the  
State of Missouri, do certify that in presence  
of the witness above named before me at the  
residence of John Harkison in the town of Ber-  
nard, County of Union State of Missouri, John  
Harkison, who was by me sworn to testify the  
whole truth of his knowledge touching the matter  
in controversy aforesaid. That he was examined  
and his examination reduced & written and sub-  
scribed by him in my presence, on the day  
between the hours, and at the place in that be-  
half first aforesaid, and his said deposition  
is now herewith returned. And I hereby cer-  
tify that John Harkison is a resident  
of said County of Union in said

State of Missouri.

Given at Marcellus in the County of Monroe  
and State of Missouri this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December  
A.D. 1875

Granville L. Bass  
Notary Public

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Brocken and Brooker

vs

P. J. Baltic

Deposition from

Plaintiff,

Filed Nov 4 1875  
J. F. Norman et al

Fees \$ 2.50

Witnessed by

*Refused  
R. B. G.*

The plaintiff must recover on the strength  
of their own title, and the plaintiff having  
failed to make out <sup>by evidence</sup> a satisfactory title  
to the lands in controversy, in any part  
thereof, the finding must be for the  
Defendants.

*Maurice*  
1/17

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Unless the Court sitting as a jury is satisfied from the evidence, that Nancy Brecken our of Jeffs is the legitimate child of Nancy Neal, born Nancy Caton, and that Nancy Neal born Nancy Caton was the legitimate child of Noah Caton, the finding must be for the Defendants.

*Rejected*  
*obj*

The evidence offered by Jeffs to show the marriage of Noah Caton to Lavinia Leaton and the evidence offered by Jeffs to show the marriage of Nancy Neal & Henry Neal are insufficient to establish said marriages.

*Maurice*  
*obj*

Although the Court sitting as a jury may believe from the evidence that Nancy Brecken our of Jeffs is the legitimate child of Nancy Neal, and further believe that Nancy Neal is the legitimate child of Noah Leaton, and although the Court should further find, that Nancy Brecken is an heir of Noah Caton deceased, and that she has an interest in the real estate in controversy, yet she can only recover one eleventh part of said real estate the evidence being clear that there were ten other heirs of Noah Caton deceased by Nancy McDermond.

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If the Court, sitting as a jury, shall find that Noah Caton was lawfully married to Jemima Caton in Kentucky about 1808, and that as the fruit of that marriage there was born one child only, ~~afterwards~~ named Nancy Caton; and that said Nancy Caton was afterwards <sup>lawfully</sup> married to one Henry Mal, and that as the issue of said latter marriage there was born only one child, viz., the plaintiff Nancy Bracken; and shall further find that said Nancy Mal died in 1844, leaving no children other than said plaintiff; and shall further find that said Noah Caton, <sup>and was then</sup> died in Vernon County in 1862, being then the husband of said Jemima Caton, and owing the land in controversy, and that said <sup>Court</sup> Jemima Caton died in 1862, then the <sup>should make a general finding as follows:</sup> ~~Court~~ <sup>jury</sup> ~~should make a general finding as follows:~~ <sup>must be</sup> for the plaintiffs, although the Court may further find that said Noah Caton was married to Mary McDonald in 1814, and that defendant Emily C Wray, was born of that marriage.

Defendant

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only  
will

If the Court, sitting as a jury, shall find  
that Noah Coston, who died in <sup>in Estate of</sup> Vernon County  
Mo., in 1862, was married to Jemima Coston,  
in Kentucky, <sup>about</sup> 1808, and that there was born  
as the fruit of that marriage one child, ~~she~~  
~~named Nancy Coston~~, and that said Nancy  
was afterwards, about 1842, married to Henry  
Neal in Kentucky, and that there was born  
as the fruit of that marriage one child,  
viz., the plaintiff <sup>said</sup> Nancy Macken; and shall  
further find that Jemima Coston died in 1864,  
and that said Nancy Neal died, without  
other heirs than said plaintiff, in 1844; and  
shall further find that the land in Con-  
troversy belonged to said Noah Coston at  
his death, then the finding should be  
for Plaintiff.

In the Court Case of  
Vance vs New Haven City.

Harris & Bruckner &  
Charles F. Bruckner Dft<sup>s</sup> }  
B & E Estes et al Dft<sup>s</sup> }

Now at this day comes the  
Dfts by their attys and moves  
the Court to set aside the  
finding of the Court, and  
grant them a new trial  
for the following reasons to  
wit

- 1<sup>o</sup> Because the admitted  
improper & illegal evidence  
in the heat of pess
- 2<sup>o</sup> Because the Court refused  
to admit proper evidence  
in the part of Dfts
- 3<sup>o</sup> Because the Court refused  
proper declaration of law  
in the part of Dfts
- 4<sup>o</sup> Because gave improper  
declaration of law in  
the part of Dfts
- 5<sup>o</sup> Because the findings of the Court ought  
to be for the Dfts

attp for Dfts

Henry Parker  
et al.

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## EXECUTION FOR COSTS.

### THE STATE OF MISSOURI,

To the Sheriff of Vernon County, Greeting:

Whereas, Nannie E Bracken and Bo Bracken

on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November

A. D. 1875, at our Vernon Circuit Court, has recovered against

B G Estes John Way Emily C Way &  
B G Estes

the sum of

Thirty ————— Dollars and

Nineteen

Cents, which, to the said

Nannie E Bracken and Charles F Bracken

was adjudged as afore-

said, for costs in that behalf ex-

pended. These, therefore, command you, that of the goods, chattels and real estate of

the said John Way & B G Estes

you cause to be

made the sum of Thirty + 19 ————— Dollars, the

cost aforesaid adjudged, and that you have the same before the Judge of our said court on the first day of the next Regular term thereof, to

satisfy the costs aforesaid and that you certify how you execute this writ:

Witness

J F Norman

Clerk

of said Circuit Court, with the seal thereof affixed, at office

in Nevada, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Oct

A. D. 1876

J F Norman, CLERK.

, DEPUTY CLERK.

State of Missouri ss  
County of Franklin D William B. Culmins Sheriff  
of County and State aforesaid do  
hereby certify that I return the  
within Escheat in whole unsatisfied  
By order of City atty & restore his the  
6<sup>th</sup> day of November 1874  
Wm. B. Culmins

### *STATEMENT OF COSTS.*

## *Execution for Costs.*

NUMBER OF CASE	
No. 1	Term, 1875
Braaten & Braaten vs. Moay et al.	JUDGEMENT VS. Moay et al.
	this 5 day of Mar 1875
Record 4, Page 395	Fee Book 6, Page 47
Ex. Docket 6, Page 111	
NUMBER OF EXECUTION 1287	
Issued 2 day of Oct 1876	Returnable 6 day of Nov 1876
Death Sentence	Fwd Atty.
	Deft Atty.
	Disposed No. 2819

Total Cost, -  
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by Plaintiff

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## EXECUTION FOR COSTS.

### THE STATE OF MISSOURI,

To the Sheriff of Vernon County, Greeting:

Whereas, Nannie E Bracken and Charles F Bracken

on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November

A. D. 1875, at our Vernon Circuit Court, has recovered against B. G. Estes  
Emily C Wray and  
John Wray her husband

the sum of

Thirty Dollars and

Nineteen Cents, which, to the said

Nannie E Bracken + C. F. Bracken

was adjudged as afore-  
said, for their costs in that behalf ex-

pended. These, therefore, command you, that of the goods, chattels and real estate of  
the said John Wray and B. G. Estes

you cause to be

made the sum of Thirty & two Dollars, the

cost aforesaid adjudged, and that you have the same before the Judge of our said  
court on the first day of the next Regular term thereof, to

satisfy the costs aforesaid and that you certify how you execute this writ:

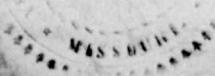
Witness J. F. Norman Clerk

of said Circuit Court, with the seal thereof affixed, at office  
in Nevada, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April

A. D. 1877

J. F. Norman CLERK.

, DEPUTY CLERK.



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STATEMENT OF COSTS.

Execution for Costs.

NUMBER OF CASE	Justice of the Peace	\$
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John Woay et al	" " Mc Kinno .50	
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Scott & Stone	John B Little with	3.40
Puff Atty.	John Fourth "	.40
Deft Atty.	Joel Hawkins "	2.28
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