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SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

TAYLOR'S HEIRS VS. CLEMENTS, et ux

7/1801

other surnames; Blake, Blow,
Goodwin

Gray Blakes
vs. Gille
Clements & Pannus

To the Justices of Southampton County
sitting in chancery, humbly complaining, sheweth to
your Worships your Orators and oratrixes Ellis G. Blak
and Polly his wife sisters of the late Henry Taylor; and
Peles Blow and Betsey his wife who was the daughter
of Etheldred Taylor ~~and~~ a brother of the said Henry
Taylor, and William Taylor, Henry Taylor, Nancy Taylor
Eliza Taylor and Hannah Taylor children of John Taylor
deceased who was also a brother of Henry Taylor by
Robert Goodwin their next friend.

That Henry Taylor departed this life on
or about the ~~thirtieth~~ day of November in the year of
our Lord one thousand and eight hundred, intestate
That in his life time and at the time of his decease
he was legally seized and possessed of a considerable
real estate lying within the jurisdiction of this
Court. That the complainants are the only legal heirs
and distributers of their said deceased Ancestors except
Francis Clements and Rebecca his wife who was the
widow of the said Henry Taylor deceased. And y^r
Orators and oratrixes further state that they are
extremely anxious for a division of the said tract
of land from a thorough conviction that the same
would prove mutually beneficial to all parties
interested, But that the same can not be legally
affected without the intervention of this Court on
account of the infancy of some of them.

In tender consideration whereof
and for as your Orators and Oratrixes are
perfectly remediless ~~except by the~~ at law, they
Sollicit the aid of y^r Worships—

To the end therefore they pray
that the said Francis Clements and Rebecca
his wife may be made Defendants to this bill.

of complaint, and that they may full true and
perfect answers make to all and singular the
allegations herein contained and that as fully as
if the same were here repeated and they thereto
particularly interrogated; and more especially
that they set forth if the complainants are
not the only heirs of the said Henry Taylor
deceased; if they do not claim in the manner
before represented; if a division of the s^d estate
would not be reciprocally beneficial; if some
of the compl^{ts} are not infants and if the
the said Rebecca is not the widow of the said
Henry Taylor. And they lastly pray that
your worshipps will decree that the dower of
the said Francis Clements and Rebecca his wife
may be assigned, and an equal distribution of
the residue among themselves according to law.
They lastly pray that y^r worshipps will make
such other orders or decree in the premises for
the relief y^r compl^{ts} as may seem just &c.

May it please y^r

Rich^d & W^m Pryor
P^r 2

The answer of Francis Clements & Rebecca his
wife to the bill of complaint exhibited against
them in the worshipful court of Southampton
County by Ellis G. Blake and Polly his wife
a sister of the late Henry Taylor dec^d. Peter
Blow and Betsey his wife who was the daughter
of Eldred Taylor a deceased brother of the said
Henry Taylor dec^d and William, Haney, Henry, Eliza
and Hannah Taylor children of J^m Taylor dec^d
who was also a brother of the said Henry Taylor
by Robert Goodwin their next friends.

These Respondents admit that
Henry Taylor their did die about the period
mentioned by the compl^{ts} legally seized and
possessed of a considerable real estate lying
in this county. That the complainants as
heirs of the said Henry, and themselves are the
only legal distributees of him. That the said
Rebecca was the widow of the said Henry Taylor.
That a division of the said land agreeable to
law would benefit all parties concerned, but
that the same can not be effected on account
of the infancies of some of the compl^{ts} without
the interposance of this court. They lastly pray
that your worshipps will not only decree that
the dower of the said Rebecca shall be assigned
to her, and a legal division of the residue among
the compl^{ts} but also that fit and proper persons
will be appointed for carrying the same into
execution. They lastly pray to be hence dismissed
with their reasonable costs in this behalf expended.

Taylor Brothers
vs
Clements & J

Interlocutory decree

April Court 1801

Southampton April court 18.01

Ellis G Blake and Polly his wife sister of the late
Henry Taylor and Peter Blow and Betsey his wife
who was daughter of the late Ethelard Taylor a brother
of the said Henry, Henry Taylor, Nancy Taylor, Eliza
Taylor and Hannah Taylor children of John Taylor
dec'd (who was also a brother of S Henry) by Robert their
next friend - - - - - complete

Against
Francis Clements and Rebecca his wife Def^{ts}

This cause was this day docketed by court. Heard
on the bill and answer On consideration whereof it is decreed
and ordered that Miles Bayly Thomas Edmunds Sam^l Whit
Thomas Sumner and Thomas Ridley or any three of them
assign to the defendants one third one third of the land
whereof Henry Taylor died seized and possessed and divide
the residue of the Land into three parts and allot
one third to the complainants Ellis G Blake and Polly
his wife one third to Peter Blow and Betsey his wife and
the remaining third to the children of John Taylor dec'd
namely Henry Taylor Nancy Taylor Eliza Taylor
and Hannah Taylor and make report in order to a
final decree

Samuel Wells Jun^r De
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In Chancery

Report of Comrs
appointed to divide
Henry Taylors
Land

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3. parcels cont.

Taylor's heirs } Rep't.
as } Ch. 4.
Clements & wife

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Parcel

In obedience to an order of Court dated 1801. We the
subscribers have divided the land wherof Henry Taylor did seized
and possessed as directed in s.^d order viz^t. Inprimis we have assigned
to the defendants Francis Clements and Rebecca his wife one third
of s.^d land which is bounded as follows, Beginning at a Hickory
Stump on the road leading to Cary's bridge, thence N. 3. E. 48 pole to
a dogwood on Holladay's line a corner of John Taylor's Orphan's thence
N. 65 W. 210 Pole to a stake a corner of Elizabeth Blow, Polly Blake
and John Taylor's Orphan's, thence S. 21. W. 212 Pole to the Gum branch on
the road leading to Munn's bridge a corner of s.^d Francis's and Rebecca's
part and Elizabeth Blow thence down the said road to the corner of
Ellis Gray Blake's lot; thence along the line of his lot, to the corner on the
said road thence down s.^d road to the crop roads, thence along the road
leading to Cary's bridge to the Beginning. Also to Elizabeth Blow
lot No. 1. containing one hundred and twenty nine acres and bounded
as follows Beginning at a corner on the Road and Gum branch a
corner dividing between the abovesaid Defendants and s.^d Blow thence
N. 21. E. 212 pole to a stake a corner dividing between s.^d Blow, the
abovesaid Defendants, Polly Blake and John Taylor's orphan, thence
N. 13 W. 180 pole to Benjamin Lewis's line, thence along the s.^d Lewis
line to the Gum branch on John Wright's line, thence up the various
courses of the s.^d branch to the beginning. Also Lot No. 2 to Polly
Blake containing one hundred and twenty nine acres and bounded
as follows Beginning, at a stake a corner dividing amongst the
abovesaid Claimants thence N. 13 W. 180 pole to a pine on Ben-
jamin Lewis's line, thence along his line to Holladay's line and
thence along his line to a pine a corner thence S. 62 west 182 pole
to the Beginning. Also Lot No. 3 to John Taylor's Orphan's contain-
ing one hundred and twenty nine acres and bounded as follows
Beginning, at a stake dividing as above thence N. 68 E. 182
pole to a pine on Holladay's line, thence along the s.^d Holladay's line
to a dogwood a corner, thence N. 65. W. 210 pole to the beginning

Thos. Ridley

Thos. Turner

Sam. Mount