

1923-009 Chancery Causes: Martha D. Higgs vs William C. Higgs

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Isle of Wight County

other surnames: Ellis,
Topping, Delk, Stott

et
CLARENCE, SMITHFIELD, CONNECTICUT
David W. Higgs,

VS. IN CHANCERY

William B. Higgs

FILE

Oct. 6th, 1923. Affidavit filed
for order publication, order en-
tered and mailed to Smithfield
Times for publication.

October 15th; 23. 2nd Oct Rules.
Cont. on O.P. Bill Filed.

Oct. 29th, 23. 3rd Oct. Rules.
Continued on O.P.

Nov 10th Printers certificate
filed. Nov. 15th Depositions filed.
O.P. Executed.

defendent to this bill and required to answer the same, but not under oath, answer under oath being hereby expressly waived; that proper process be issued and that a divorce from the bond of matrimony created by the aforesaid marriage be decreed her and that your oratrix may have all such further, other and general relief in the premises as the nature of her case may require or to equity shall seem meet.

MARTHA G. HIPPS

BY COUNSEL

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT, VIRGINIA.

MARTHA G. HIPPS

PLAINTIFF

VERSUS) IN CHANCERY DIVORCE A VINCULO MATRIMONII

WILLIAM C. HIPPS

DEFENDENT.

TO HON. BENJAMIN D. WHITE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT,

Your oratrix Martha G. Hipps, whose maiden name was Martha G. Ellis, respectfully represents unto your Honor that on the 11 day of May A. D. 1920 she was lawfully married at Smithfield in said State of Virginia to William C. Hipps, as will appear from a certified copy of the marriage license herewith filed; that from the date of said marriage until the 30th day of September A. D. 1920 your oratrix and the said William C. Hipps co-habited together as husband and wife in the said Town of Smithfield and County of Isle of Wight; that your oratrix for a period of more than one year next preceeding the institution of this suit was a resident and is now a resident of the State of Virginia; that your oratrix and the said William C. Hipps last co-habited in the County of Isle of Eigh in the State of Virginia; that the said William C. Hipps did willfully, voluntarilly and without justification desert and abandon your oratrix on the 30th day of September A. D. 1920; that said desertion has continued for a period of more than three years; that since the said 30th day of September A. D. 1920 your oratrix has neither seen, heard from nor received support from the said William C. Hipps.

ON CONSIDERATION WHEREOF AND FORASMUCH as your oratrix is remediless in the premises, save by a court of equity wherein all such matters are alone cognizable and relievable your oratrix prays that the said William C. Hipps be made a party

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA:

TO THE SHERIFF OF ~~ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY~~ ^{The City Of Norfolk.,} Greeting:

We command you that you summon W. C. Hipps..

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of
Isle of Wight at the rules to be holden for the said Court on the
...First...Monday in...October..., 1923..., to answer a bill
in chancery exhibited against...him...in our said Court by

Martha G. Hipps.,

And have then and there this writ.

Witness, R. A. Edwards, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-
house, this...25th...day of...September..., 1923, and in
the...148th...year of the Commonwealth.

R. A. Edwards Clerk.

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Martha S. Hipps

~~VS~~ in Chancery No.

N. C. Hipps.

ORIGINAL SUBPOENA.

VIRGINIA, Clerk's office of the Circuit
Court of the County of Isle of Wight:

October 1st 1923

Returned, entered and filed.

Teste:

R. A. Edmund Clerk

To 1st October Rules.

1923

Topping & Topping, J. of.
William C. Hipps
Not found

NORFOLK, VA. Sept 28, 1923

I HEREBY MAKE AFFIDAVIT THAT I HAVE
MADE DILIGENT EFFORT TO EXECUTE
THIS PAPER WITHOUT AVOID.

Chas. Amberson

Deputy Sheriff.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE
ME THIS DAY OF 1923

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VIRGINIA:IN THE CLERKS OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY
OF ISLE OF WIGHT:OCTOBER 8th 1923.

Martha G. Hipps;

Vs.CHANCEAY.

William C. Hipps.,

The object of the above styled suit now pending in the Circuit Court of the County of Isle Of Wight, is for the plaintiff to obtain from the defendant a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii on the grounds of desertion.

And an affidavit having been filed as required by law, which asserts that the said plaintiff has used due diligence to ascertain in what County or corporation, the said defendant resides, without effect, and that the last known Post Office address of the said defendant William C. Hipps was Norfolk, Virginia, it is ordered that the said William C. Hipps do appear here at the above office within ten days after due publication of this order to do what is necessary to protect his interest.

TESTE

R. A. Edman CLERK.

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Martha S. Hipko

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William C. Hipko

App'd and for
order publication

Filed-

Oct. 6th 1923.

STATE OF VIRGINIA:

COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON TO-WIT:

This day personally appeared before me,
Doris V. Mills, a Notary Public in and for the County and
State aforesaid, J. Warren Topping, who made oath before me
in my said County and State that dilligence has been used on
behalf of the plaintiff in that certain suit in equity now
depending in the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight
entitled Martha G. Hipps vs William C. Hipps, to ascertain
in what County or Corporation the said defendent William C.
Hipps resides without effect and that his last known place of
residence was Norfolk, Elizabeth City County, Virginia.

Given under my hand this 29th day of
September A. D. 1923.

Doris V. Mills

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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MARTHA G. HIPPS PLAINTIFF

VS) IN CHANCERY

WILLIAM C. HIPPS

DEPOSITIONS.

Filed
Nov. 15-1923.
Atte. R. A. Edmunds.
clerk

J. WARREN TOPPING

F. EMMETT TOPPING

Topping & Topping
Attorneys at Law
Turner Building
Cape Charles, Va.

G. S. TURNER, PRINTER-STATIONER, CAPE CHARLES, VA.

Q. Are you and William C. Hipps living together at present as man and wife?

A. No we have not lived together since the 30th day of Sept. 1920 when he left me and he has not returned since.

Q. Do you know of any reason for his deserting you?

A. No I do not as he told me when he left that he was going away to work and I have heard several times that he was in Norfolk, in fact several people have told me that they saw him there but I have never been able to locate him nor have I seen him since the 30th day of Sept. 1920.

Q. Had you and he had any domestic differences which might have caused him to leave you and his home?

A. No I had no idea when he left but that he would return and we had had no trouble whatever.

Q. Did he ever complain of you and of your deportment?

A. No he did not he seemed to be perfectly satisfied.

Q. Did he or not use any of your personal funds representing money which you had earned and saved before your marriage to him?

A. He did.

Q. Did he account to you for this before or since he left you?

A. No he did not.

Q. Did he give you an idea of what he was using this money for?

A. He claimed that he was investing it in a small farm which we were to purchase and live on.

Q. Mrs. Hipps has your husband William C. Hipps since his desertion of you furnished you support or aided you in supporting yourself?

A. No he has not. I have never heard from him since he left me and I have supported myself by working for my living. For sometime past I have been house keeper for C. H. Wagner at Cape Charles, Va.

And further this deponent saith not.

Martha G. Hipps

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STATE OF VIRGINIA:
COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON TO-WIT:

I, Doris V. Mills, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing depositions of Martha G. Hipps were taken before me this 11th day of November A. D. 1923 in my said County and State and after the said deponent had been sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, were signed by her in my presence.

Given under my hand this 24th day of October
A. D. 1923.

Doris V. Mills NOTARY PUBLIC .

The depositions of Martha G. Hipps taken this 11th day of November A. D. 1923 between the hours of two and four P. M. at the offices of Topping & Topping in the Turner Building in the Town of Cape Charles, County of Northampton in the State of Virginia, before Doris V. Mills, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, pursuant to notice by order of publication to be read as evidence on behalf of the plaintiff in that certain suit in equity now depending in the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, in the State of Virginia in which Martha G. Hipps is plaintiff and William C. Hipps is defendant.

Present, F. E. Topping, attorney of attorneys for the plaintiff.

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The first witness Martha G. Hipps being first duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth deposeth and saith;

Q. What is your name, age, occupation and place of residence?

A. Martha G. Hipps, 27 years of age, Housekeeper for C. H. Wagner, and I live in Cape Charles, Va.

Q. Are you the plaintiff in the divorce suit depending in the Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County, Virginia entitled Martha G. Hipps vs William C. Hipps?

A. I am.

Q. Are you the wife of William C. Hipps and if so when and where were you married to him?

A. I am the wife of William C. Hipps. We were married on the 11th day of May 1920 at Smithfield, Va.

Q. Subsequent to your marriage where did you live as husband and wife?

A. At Smithfield in Isle of Wight County, Virginia.

Q. Did you and William C. Hipps last cohabit together in Isle of Wight County, Va.?

A. We did.

Q. Have you been a resident of the State of Virginia for the year preceding the institution of this suit and are you still a resident of the State of Virginia.

A. Yes.

STATE OF VIRGINIA:

COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT, TO-WIT:

H. S. Barrett a Notary Public in and
for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing
deposition of George W. A. Delk ~~was~~ taken before me
this ^{11th} day of ~~March~~ A. D. 1923 in my said County and State and after
the said deponent had been sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth
and nothing but the truth, were signed by ~~him~~ in my presence.

Given under my hand this ^{11th} day of ~~March~~

A. D. 1923.

H. S. Barrett NOTARY PUBLIC.
My Comm. Expires 7/11/27

Virginia
County of Isle of Wight, To Wit:
H. S. Barrett, a Notary
Public in and for the County and
State aforesaid do hereby certify that
the foregoing depositions of Walter
Stall taken before me this ^{11th} day
of November A. D. 1923, in my said County
and State after said deponent had been
sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth
and nothing but the truth, were signed
by him in my presence.
Given under my hand this ^{11th}
day of November 1923.

H. S. Barrett, Notary Public
my Comm. Expires 7/11/27

Q. Do you know of any reason why Martha G. Hipps should not be given an absolute divorce from her husband William C. Hipps on the grounds of desertion?

A. I know of no reason whatever.

And further this deponent saith not.

Geo. W. Dulk

.....
The second witness J. W. Stott after being duly sworn deposeth and saith;

Q. What is your name and place of residence?

A. J. Walter Stott Smithfield, Va.

Q. Are you familiar with Martha G. Hipps and did you also know her husband William C. Hipps?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know whether or not William C. Hipps and Martha G. Hipps last lived together as man and wife at Smithfield, Va.

A. They did.

Q. Do you know whether or not Martha G. Hipps has been a resident of the State of Virginia for the past two years?

A. I think so.

Q. Do you know whether Martha G. Hipps and William C. Hipps are now living together as man and wife?

A. Not that I know of, he deserted her some six or seven months after they were married.

Q. Martha G. Hipps alleges in her bill filed in a divorce suit now pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, that William C. Hipps deserted her on the 30th day of Sept. 1920 and that he has not lived with her since that time; to the best of your knowledge and belief is it true that he left her on Sept. 30th, 1920 and do you know whether or not he has lived with her since that time?

A. He left her sometime during the year 1920 and so far as I know has not lived with her since.

Q. Are you in a position to state whether or not Martha G. Hipps comported herself in a proper manner and was in all respects faithful to her husband William C. Hipps?

A. So far as I know she did. I have never heard or seen anything to the contrary.

Q. Do you know of any reason why Martha G. Hipps should not be granted an absolute divorce from William C. Hipps on the grounds of desertion?

A. I know of no reason whatever.

And further this deponent saith not.

J. Walter Stott

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The depositions of George W. C. Delk and J. Walter Stott taken this 11th day of November A. D. 1923 between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. of that date before A. S. Barrett, a notary public in and for the County of Isle of Wight in the State of Virginia at his office in the Merchants & Farmers Bank at Smithfield, in said County and State aforesaid pursuant to notice by order of publication to be read as evidence on behalf of the plaintiff in that certain suit in equity now depending in the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight in the State of Virginia, entitled Martha G. Hipps vs William C. Hipps.

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The first witness George W. Delk being first duly sworn deposeth and saith;

Q. What is your name, and place of residence?

A. George W. Delk, Smithfield, Va.

Q. Are you familiar with Martha G. Hipps and did you also know her husband William C. Hipps?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know whether or not William C. Hipps and Martha G. Hipps last lived together as man and wife at Smithfield, Va.

A. They did.

Q. Do you know whether or not Martha G. Hipps has been a resident of the State of Virginia for the past two years?

A. She has.

Q. Do you know whether Martha G. Hipps and William C. Hipps are now living together as man and wife?

A. They are not.

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A. He left her sometime during the year 1920 and so far as I know has not lived with her since.

Q. Are you in a position to state whether or not Martha G. Hipps comported herself in a proper manner and was in all respects faithful to her husband William C. Hipps?

A. So far as I know she did. I have never heard or seen anything to the contrary.

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memo.

Free & 9/25/23.

J. WARREN TOPPING

F. EMMETT TOPPING

Topping & Topping
Attorneys at Law
Cape Charles, Va.

Sept. 21st, 1923.

MARTHA G. HIPPS VS WILLIAM C. HIPPS.

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Circuit Court of Isle of Wight Co.,
Isle of Wight, Va.,

Dear Sir:-

Please issue process according to the
following memorandum;

MARTHA G. HIPPS

PLAINTIFF

VERSUS) IN CHANCERY DIVORCE A VINCULO MATRIMONI

WILLIAM C. HIPPS

DEFENDENT.

Returnable to first Monday rules of
October 1923.

Will you please direct this process to
the Sergeant of the City of Norfolk and forward it to me.
I am inclosing herewith my check for \$8.00 to cover advance
costs.

Please file the inclosed bill in this
case filing also therewith certified copy of the marriage
license.

Respectfully,

Topping & Topping p. q.

Thippo.

W. C.

Thippo

Copy
Order of Publication

Filed Oct. 8th 1923

State N. A. Edwards
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VIRGINIA:IN THE CLERKS OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY
OF ISLE OF WIGHT:OCTOBER 8th 1923.

Martha G. Hipps;

Vs.CHANCERY.

William C. Hipps..

The object of the above styled suit now pending in the Circuit Court of the County of Isle Of Wight, is for the plaintiff to obtain from the defendant a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii on the grounds of desertion.

And an affidavit having been filed as required by law, which asserts that the said plaintiff has used due diligence to ascertain in what County or corporation, the said defendant resides, without effect, and that the last known Post Office address of the said defendant William C. Hipps was Norfolk, Virginia, it is ordered that the said William C. Hipps do appear here at the above office within ten days after the publication of this order to do what is necessary to protect his interest.

TESTE R. A. Eames CLERK.

Topping & Topping p.q.

Clerks Office Of The Circuit Court of the County of Isle Of Wight
Virginia. Oct. 8th, 1923.

A copy of the foregoing order was this day posted at the front door of the Court House of this County, a copy mailed to the Smithfield Times, for publication, a news paper having general circulation in the County, and a copy mailed to defendant at address given.

Given under my hand this the day above written.

R. A. Eames Clerk.

- Higgs m. S.

W. C.
Higgs W. C.

Certificate of
Printer - as to
order publication

Filed. Nov. 10-23.
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THE SMITHFIELD TIMES

W. F. BENNETT, PUBLISHER

ONLY PAPER PUBLISHED IN ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY

SMITHFIELD, VA., November th 10, 1923

I, W. F. Bennett, Editor of The Smithfield Times, do hereby certify that the order of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in The Smithfield Times in the manner prescribed by law, once a week for 4 weeks, beginning October 13, 1923, and ending November 2, 1923.

W. F. Bennett
Editor Smithfield Times

Virginia: In The Clerk's Office
Of The Circuit Court Of The
County Of Isle Of Wight:
October 8th, 1923.

Martha G. Hipps;
Vs. CHANCERY.
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Teste R. A. EDWARDS, Clerk.
Topping & Topping p. q.

10/8/23

Order mailed to
Smith & Jones
for publication

Check 6.50 also
enclosed over
to the Trust
R.A.

Topping & Topping
Attorneys at Law
Cape Charles, Va.

Oct. 3rd, 1923.

HIPPS VS HIPPS

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Circuit Court for Isle of Wight Co.,
Isle of Wight, Va.

Dear Sir:-

I am returning herewith the
affidavit for order of publication in the
above mentioned matter together with my check
for \$6.50 to cover costs of same.

Yours very truly,

Topping & Topping

JWT/m

P. S. I would appreciate it very much if you
will advise me the name and address of some re-
putable Notary Public in Smithfield before whom
depositions could be taken.

Topping & Topping
Attorneys at Law
Cape Charles, Va.

Dec. 14, 1923.

HIPPS VS HIPPS.

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County,
Isle of Wight, Va.

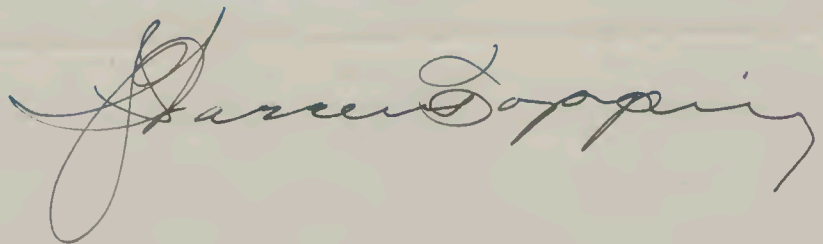
My dear Mr. Edwards:-

I am inclosing herewith my
check for \$1.95 to cover additional costs in the
above mentioned matter and wish to take this occasion
to assure you of our very genuine appreciation of
the courteous assistance rendered us by you.

Trusting we may find it possible
to return the compliment, we remain

Yours very truly,

JWT/m

A large, elegant handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "J. Warren Topping". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

MARTHA C. HIPPS,

VS (IN CHANCERY:

WILLIAM C. HIPPS.

.....

December 4 1923.

ENTER THIS

W. C. Hipps JUDGE.

FINAL DECREE:

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MARTHA G. HIPPS

PLAINTIFF

VS) DIVORCE A VINCULO MATRIMONII

WILLIAM C. HIPPS

DEFENDENT.

In which the complainant has proceeded against the defendant, ~~who is~~ in the manner provided by law as to defend.

This cause came on this day to be heard upon the complainant's bill, the exhibits filed therewith and the depositions of George W. Delk, J. Walter Stott and Martha G. Hipps filed on behalf of the complainant and was argued by counsel.

On consideration whereof and it appearing unto the Court independently of the admissions of the parties in the pleadings or otherwise that the said parties were lawfully married on the 11th day of May A. D. 1920 at Smithfield, Va.,; that the said Martha G. Hipps and William C. Hipps last cohabited as husband and wife in ~~the City of~~ Smithfield and County of Isle of Wight, Virginia; that the said Martha G. Hipps has been domiciled in this State ever since the aforesaid marriage and for more than one year next preceding the institution of this suit; that the said William C. Hipps did willfully, voluntarilly and without justification desert and abandon the said Martha G. Hipps on the 30th day of September A. D. 1920 and that she has ~~neither~~ ^{not} cohabited ~~with nor seen nor heard from him~~ since the last mentioned date, and that the desertion has continued uninterruptedly for a period of more than three years, it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the said Martha G. Hipps and William C. Hipps be divorced from the bond of matrimony created by the aforesaid marriage and that the said marriage be and the same is hereby dissolved ^{*} ~~and annulled~~.
And it further appearing that the object of this suit has been obtained it is ordered that the same be removed from the docket.

** But neither of the parties shall be married within six months from the date of the entry hereof.*

and after place of residence is unknown

Topping & Topping
Attorneys at Law
Cape Charles, Va.

Sept. 29, 1933.

MARTHA C. HIPPS VS WILLIAM C. HIPPS

Mr. R. A. Edwards, Clerk,
Circuit Court for Isle of Wight County,
Isle of Wight, Va.

Dear Sir:-

I am inclosing herewith an affidavit in compliance with section 6069 of the Code and would thank you to have order of publication issued in the matter of Martha C. Hipps against William C. Hipps showing as the object of the suit, "To obtain a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii on the grounds of desertion". If you will send me the bill for the publication of this I will send you my check.

Yours very truly,

Topping & Topping

JWT/m

County (~~or City~~) Isle of Wight

Wm. Columbus Happs
Husband

and } **Marriage License**

Martha Gladys Ellis
Wife

Date of Issue 5/11/20

Marriage Register No. 3 Page 454

Filed

A. G. E. and
cek

9-25-23



MARRIAGE LICENSE



Virginia Isle of Wight County to-wit:

To Any Person Licensed to Celebrate Marriages:

You are hereby authorized to join together in the Holy State of Matrimony, according to the rites and ceremonies of your Church or religious denomination, and the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

William Columbus Hipps and Martha Gladys Ellis
Given under my hand, as Clerk of Circuit Court of Isle of Wight County (or City)
this 11th day of May, 1920.
A.S. Johnson, Clerk.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

To be annexed to the License, required by Section 5074 of the Code of Virginia, 1919, as amended by Act of February 16, 1910.

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County (or City) of Isle of Wight
Date of Marriage May 11th, 1920 Place of Marriage Isle of Wight Co. Va.
FULL NAMES OF PARTIES.

William Columbus Hipps and Martha Gladys Ellis
Age of Husband twenty nine years; Condition (single, widowed or divorced) Single
Age of Wife twenty five years; Condition (single, widowed or divorced) Single
Race (White or Colored) White
Husband's Place of Birth Roanoke, Va. Residence Isle of Wight Co. Va.
Wife's Place of Birth Isle of Wight Co. Va. Residence Isle of Wight Co. Va.
Names of { Husband Robert Hipps and Fannie Hipps
Parents { Wife Bolling Ellis and M.V. Ellis
Occupation of Husband Farmer

Given under my hand this 11th day of May, 1920.
A.S. Johnson, Clerk.

Certificate of Time and Place of Marriage

I, W.H. Atwill, a Minister of the Methodist Church, or religious order of that name, do certify that on the 11 day of May, 1920, at Smithfield, Virginia, under authority of the above License, I joined together in the Holy State of Matrimony the persons named and described therein. I qualified and gave bond according to law authorizing me to celebrate the rites of marriage in the County (or City) of Matthews, State of Virginia.

Given under my hand this 11th day of May, 1920.

A Copy, Teste, R.C. Edwards, Clerk

W.H. Atwill

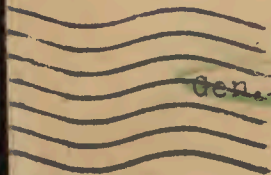
(Person who performs ceremony sign here.)

The Minister or other person celebrating a marriage is required, within thirty (30) days thereafter, to return the License and Certificate of the Clerk and his certificate of the time and place at which the marriage was celebrated to the Clerk who issued the License; failure to comply with these requirements of the law makes the Minister or other person celebrating the marriage liable to a fine of not less than ten nor more than twenty dollars for each offense (see Section 5074 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by Act approved February 16, 1919, Acts 1910, chapter 28, pages 36 and 37).

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO
CLERK'S OFFICE
OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY
ISLE OF WIGHT, VA.



Mr. W. C. Hipps
Norfolk, Va



Gen. Delivery





OCT 15 1923