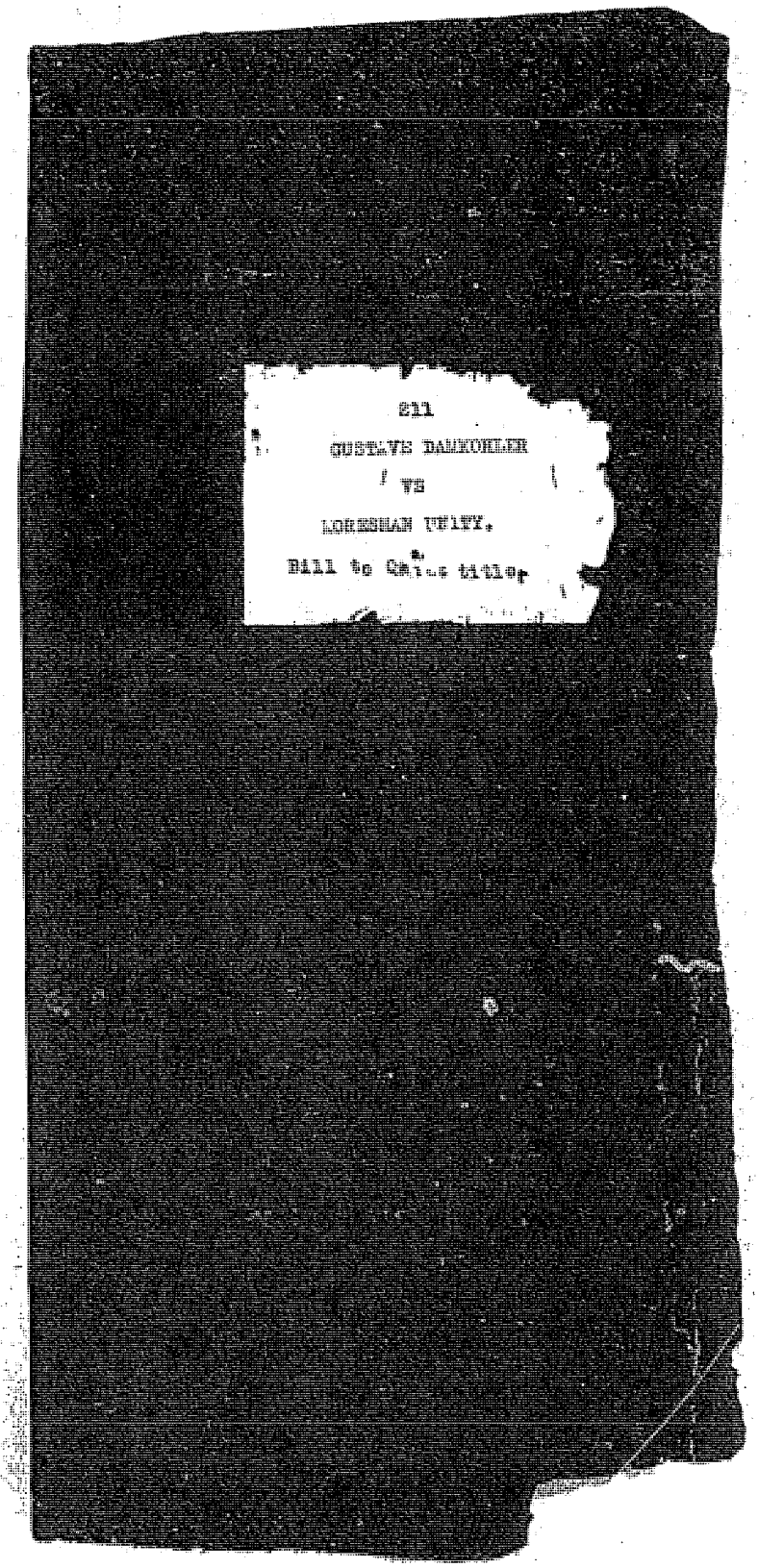
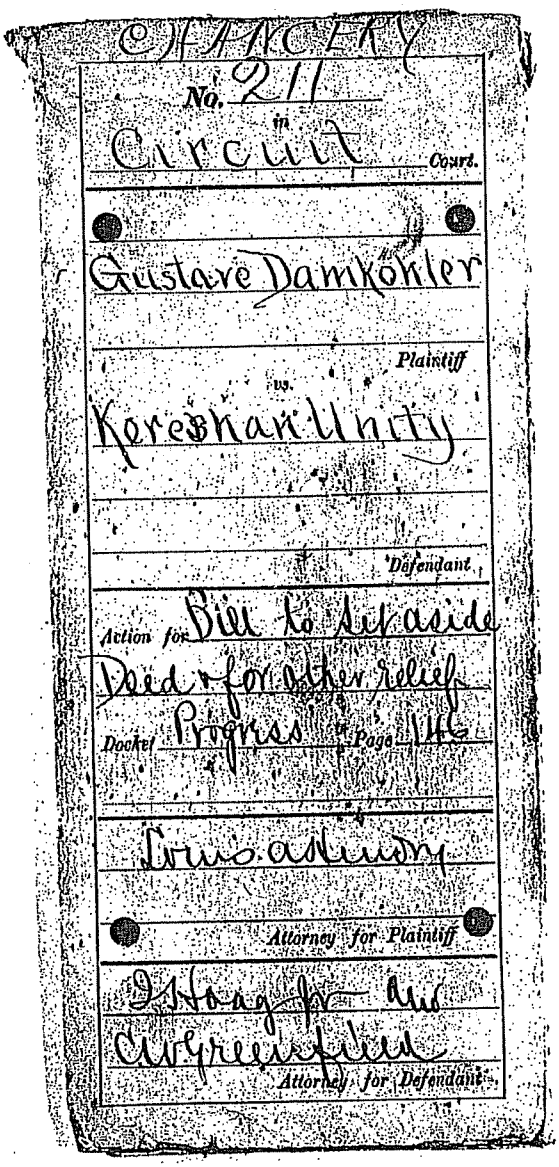

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GUSTAVE DANKOHLER
/ VS
LORRAINAN UNITY.
Bill to Quiet title.


CHANCERY

No. 211

in

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Plaintiff

vs.

Koresh Unity

Defendant.

Action for Bill to set aside Deed for other relief

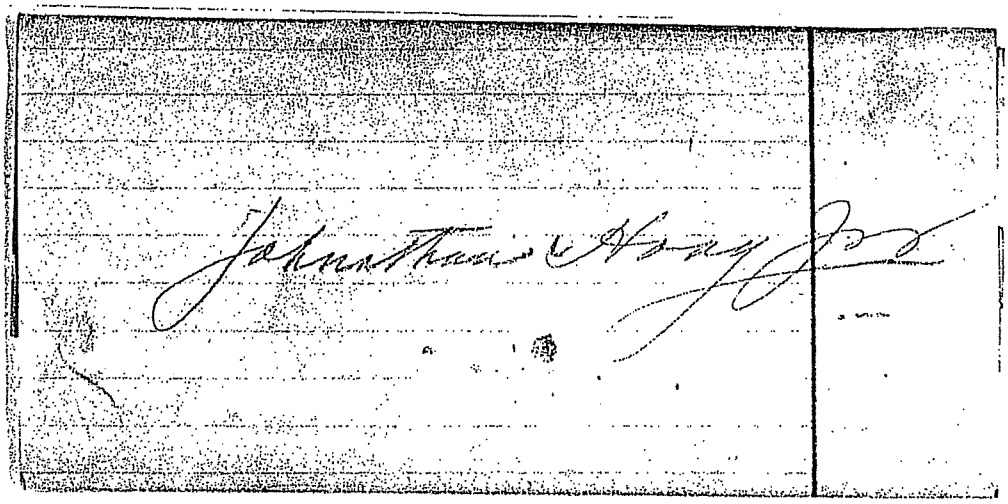
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Attorney for Plaintiff

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Attorney for Defendant.



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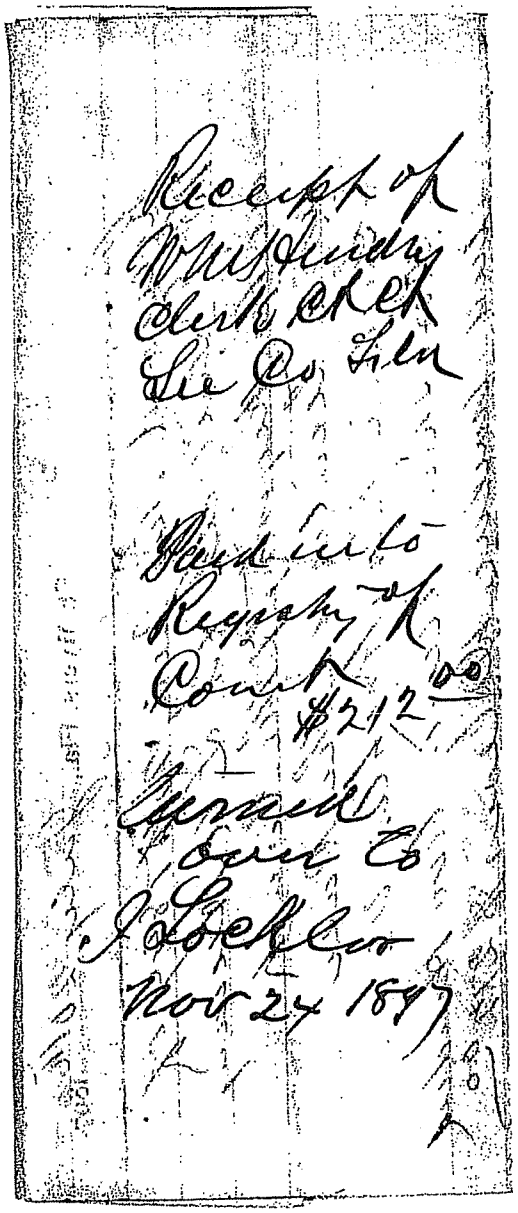
Chester Brunnbaum
— vs —
Wm Britton Brunn
Wm Irwin Gregory
and Cyrus R Teed

Bill for writ
Aids =

To Defendants Wm Britton Brunn & Wm Irwin Gregory =

You will please take notice that I will apply to this Court at the Court House on Friday Thursday the 13th day of January A.D. 1898 for a Commission to take the Deposition of Mrs. A. J. Miller a material witness for the Complainant who resides out of the County of Lee and out of the State of Florida and whose residence is in Denver Colorado, 1802 Logan Avenue Complainants Counsel Richardson & Dr. absented as Commissioner for Lee =

Louis Hendry
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WM. M. HENDRY,

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,

LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Ft. Myers, Fla., July 20th 1897.

Received this July 20th 1897 of
B. F. Luttrell for L. A. Heaney
in the Registry of the Court
as a tender in the Case
Gustave Vom Koehler vs
Hesiskan Unity two Hundred
and twelve Dollars $212.00

W. M. Hendry
Clerk Cir Ct
Lee Co Fla

In the Circuit
Court, Leon County,
State of Florida

In Chancery

G. Lamb Sibley
vs
C.R. Sec. Stat. &c.

Amendment to
Bill of Complaint.

Filed 2nd March
A.D. 1898
W.M. Hendry C.C.R.
H. Foxworthy D.C.

L.C. Dinkins
Atty for Coms.

In the Circuit Court
Lee County, State of
Florida, Sixth Judicial
Circuit. In Chancery.

Gustave Vanbrahler
vs.
C.R. Ferd et al.
} Bill to set aside
Deed.

Now comes the above named complainant, by his attorney, L.A. Henday, and after leave of the court first had and obtained, amends the Bill of Complaint filed in this cause, by making Elwin Emile Vanbrahler, a minor of the County of Lee ~~and State of~~ Florida, by his next friend ~~James~~ D.E. Foxworthy ~~Vann~~, a party complainant to this suit, and the said Elwin Emile Vanbrahler prays as the said Gustave Vanbrahler has heretofore prayed.

L.A. Henday
Complainants
Solr

In Circuit Court
6th Judicial Ct
Lee County Fla

Gustave Dambacher

vs

Mrs Bertha Bommer et al

Amended Bill

Filed Sept 25th 1897
Wm M Hendry
Clerk

In Circuit Court
6th Judicial Circuit
Lee Co Florida

Gustave Daubkhlen }
vs }
Mrs Bertha Broun et al }

To the Hon Darwin Phillips Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit Court and for Lee County Fla
In Chancery Sitting

Amendment to Amended Bill.

Gustave Daubkhlen a citizen of the County of Lee and of the State of Fla bringing this his bill of Complaint against Mrs Bertha Broun who is a citizen of the County of Cook State of Illinois and who is trustee of the Norwegian Lodge, a religious and political organization having its incorporate place of business in the County of Cook State of Illinois and having a branch at Estero Lee County Fla and against Mrs Anna Hoffman and Mr Thurland her Husband who is a resident of Estero Lee Co Fla as trustee of said Lodge and against Curtis Reed the head adult and founder of said Lodge and who is a resident of Cook County Illinois

and Thereupon your Orator Complains and Says: that Prior to and until the 29th day of January A.D. 1894 he was the owner in fee simple of a tract of land containing 80 acres situate in the County of Lee and State of Ill.

Your orator shows unto your honor that he lived upon the said tract of land with his own claim: that he had a house and some cleared land upon which was planted some orange and other fruit trees and also about that day personal property of the value of $2000 00 Dollars being of sentimental value to your orator as a result of the burning ground of your orator's family.

Your orator respectfully shows unto your honor that he is sixty four years of age and now suffers both in mind and in body that since the death of his wife and family which occurred about ten years ago his mind has been deeply distressed and very recently these forging upon infirmity.

Your Orator would respectfully show unto your honor that the said defendants

on or about the first day of January A.D. 1894. And that falsely represented to Your Orator that they were the Chosen Children of God; that the defendant Cyrus R. Teed represented was the Messenger of the Covenant as spoken of in the Holy Bible; that he was the Messiah Elijah the Lord and that the New dispensation was at hand.

And Your Orator further shows unto your Honor that Cyrus R. Teed represented to your Orator that he was going to build a Great City at Estero Fla. County Lee this City of the New Jerusalem, A plan of said City being hereto Attached Marked Exhibit "D"

And Your Orator shows unto Your Honor that the defendants exercised a great influence upon Your Orator by such false representations; that they brought to bear upon your orator all the powers at their Command in order that to gain Control of your Orator with the intention of defrauding him of his personal property.

And Your Orator shows unto Your Honor that so great an influence was brought to bear upon him by the defendants

for the purpose of defrauding him
of his property that they convinced
your orator that what they said was
true; that he firmly believed that
the defendant Cyrus R Teed was
six feet what he represented himself
to be and that he was going to build
the said City, the City of the New
Jerusalem at Estero Fla, and that the
New Dispensation was at hand,
Your Orator shows unto
your Honor that acting under this belief
and being fully under the control of
the defendants, and while under a
great Mental Strain of religious enthu-
siasm Superinduced by the defendants
Superinduced by the defendants for the
purpose of defrauding your orator
of his property he was induced by
them to convey to you by their Warranty
Deed dated October 9 1894 for
the consideration therein mentioned
Forty acres of land the same being
described as follows to Wit The
West 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the NE 1/4
Sec 33 T 46 S of R 25 East, the said
deed of a copy thereof being hereto
attached Marked Exhibit "B"
Your orator shows unto
your Honor that the defendants took
undue advantage of your orators
confidence, and mental infirmity, that

Your Orator was misled and
deceived by them by said false
misrepresentations and was thereby in-
duced to give them his property
believing at the time that he
was giving it to the Executors of
God and unto his Cause.

And Your Orator shows unto Your
Honor that at the time of making
the said Conveyance that he was
Mentally incapable of understanding
to his Conviction and that he was fully
under the Control of the Defendants and
that they have deprived Your
Orator of all the property he had
in the World, and that Your Orator
and his Son are now destitute.

Your Orator shows unto Your
Honor that the Defendants nor any one
in them behalf has ever paid a single
Dollar to Your Orator for said property
and that there was no Consideration of
Whatsoever nature for said Land with
the Abentinances.

And Your Orator will
shew that the Defendants made use of the
Circumstances set in the aforesaid premises
have wrongfully driven Your Orator the Sole
Heir at Law of said with the Abentinances
with Force & Arms to the Defendants Great
Wrong & Injury against the Peace & Dignity of

That they procured no undue influence
Fraud or Imposition upon Jessie Carter
And took no advantage of him
And that he was of sound mind &
Capable of understanding his actions
Denies that the Carter charges the
Contrary to be true and that the
said Act & Conveyance should
for the aforesaid Reasons be set
aside and declared null and
void by this Honorable Court.
All of which Actings and
doings are Contrary to Equity and
good Conscience and tend to the mani-
fest injury wrong and oppression
of the Premises.
In Tender Consideration
Whereof and forasmuch as Jessie
Carter is remediless in the Premises
at and by the strict rules of the
Common Law and is relievable only
in a Court of Equity Wherein matters
of this kind are relievable and
Cognizable.
To the End therefore that the
Defendants Mrs Bertha Bennett as Executrix
of the Horrahan Family Act Mrs
Agnes L. Ortray Named by her Husband
Geo Ortray as Executrix of the Horrahan
Family And Denis R Dent who is the
Said agent and Trustee of the Hor-
rahan Family may to the utmost of

This respondent answering to the complainants
information and belief, says that the said
Circuit and Perfect Answer made to
All and Singular the Matters aforesaid
and that as fully and Correctly as
if the same were severally repeated
but not under oath, he the said being duly
sworn, and that they and each one
of them directly interrogated thereto
and that the aforesaid deed of Con-
veyance as made by your orator
may for the reasons aforesaid be
set aside and declared null and
void and of no effect by this Hon.
Court, and that your orator may
have such other and further relief
as to your honor may seem equitable
and right in the premises.

May it please your honor
to grant unto your orator a writ of
subpoena directed to the defendants Wm
Bertha Bogumil and Wm Anna Gordon
Jones by the Sheriff of Los Angeles
of the Jurisdiction thereof and to Cyrus J. Ford
the said agent and trustee of said Jones
Family Trust commanding them under a
certain penalty therein named to be
and appear before this Hon. Court then and
there to answer this bill fully truly and directly
and perfectly to all and singular the
matters herein and further to stand
to perform and abide such further

order direction and decree
as to this Honorable Court shall seem meet
and right in the premises and the Honorable
Orator will ever pray

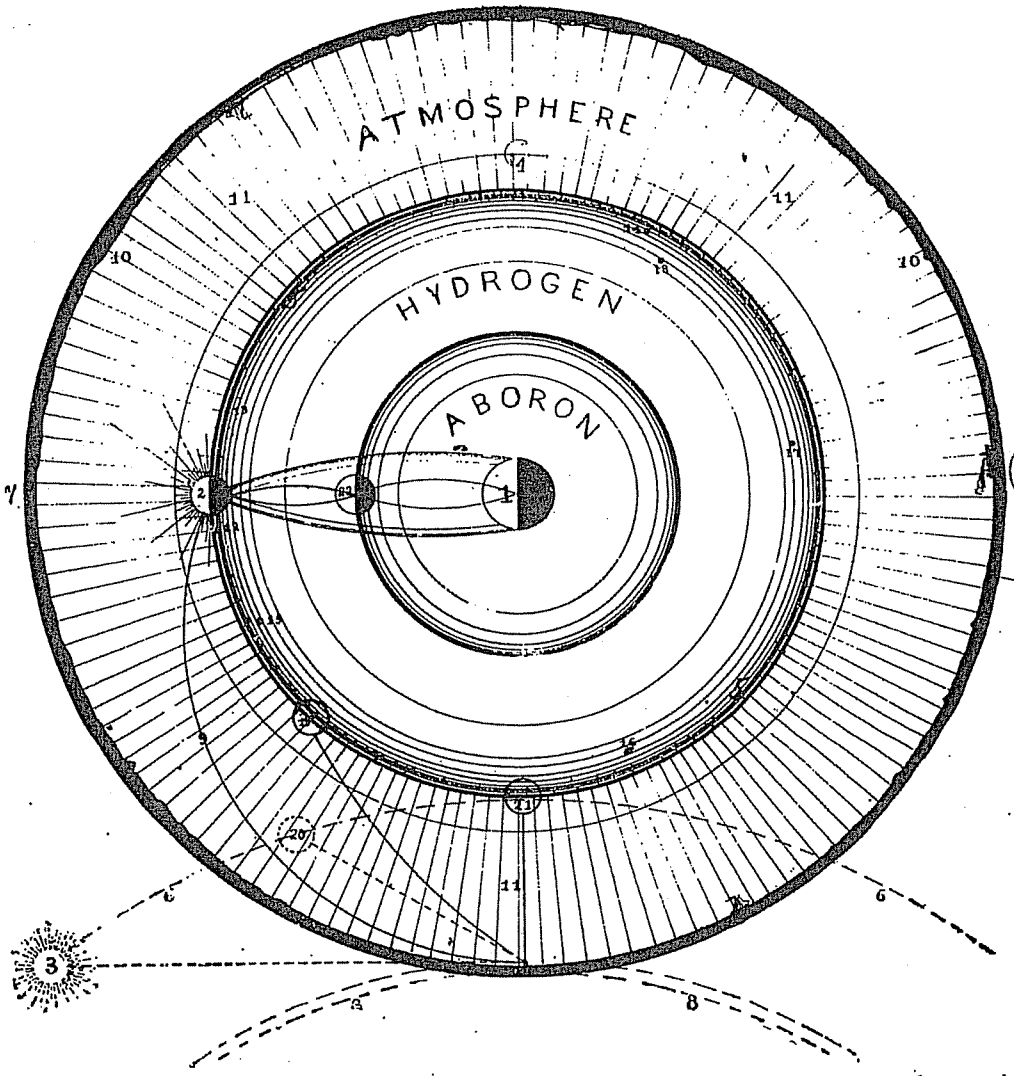
Louis C. Vaudry
Counsel for Complainant

The exact knowledge of the form and function of the physical universe is the basis for the religious system of Koreshanity, and from this develops the governmental and social life of the order. Mental and physical industry is classified in the system, and also the products of industry; and the re-

...th the entire proceeds of his application to the creation of products.

There is a division of the social system into two distinct general orders; the prime and superior order being celibate, the inferior being marital. The object of the celibate order

CROSS SECTIONAL VIEW OF THE HOLLOW GLOBE.



1, Central invisible sun; 2, projected sun at sunrise; 3, sun's apparent position at sunrise; 4, moon; 5, visible stars and arc of heavens; 6, apparent dome of sky; 7, earth's shell, 8,000 miles in diameter; 8, apparent convexity; 9, curvating ray of light and line of vision; 10, earth's inner surface, land, oceans, etc.; 11, direction of gravic and levic energies; 12, Mercury; 13, Venus; 14, Mars; 15, Jupiter; 16, Saturn; 17, Uranus; 18, Neptune; 19, real place of sun at 9 a. m.; 20, apparent position of sun at 9 a. m.; 21, real and apparent position of sun at noon; 22, central sun's invisible and inner projection.

lation of the one to the other is so adjusted as to provide for an equitable distribution of all the products of industry.

It is the purpose of Koreshanity to plant the branches of the order in every city and town in the United States and the world, and to provide for the employment of every person now idle, in such manner as to supply every industrial

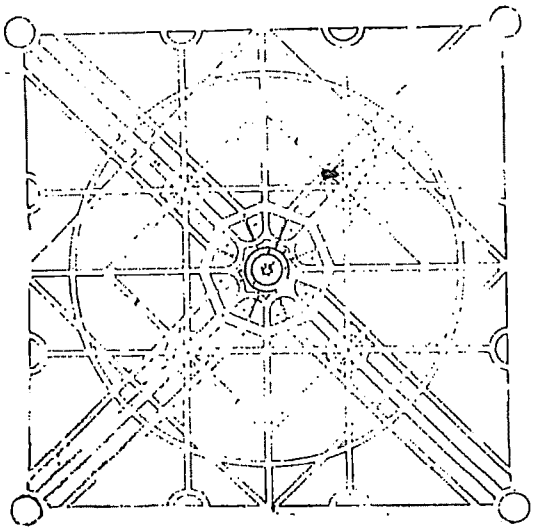
is the conservation of the sex energies for the higher spiritual, mental, and physical regeneration. Koreshans maintain that the dissipation of the sex forces is the cause of mortality, and that immortality will come only through the purification of the mind and body, in obedience to the principles of celibacy and chastity instituted by Koreshanity.

The marital order is monogamic, governed and protected by the laws regulating that relationship. No law of the country is violated or interfered with; the religious and moral standard of the marital order, however, is under a scientific and moral culture, which places it above the common plane to which the propagative instinct of the human race has fallen.

THE PLAN OF THE NEW JERUSALEM AND THE PURPOSE OF ITS CONSTRUCTION.

The New Jerusalem is on Estero bay and the Gulf of Mexico, embracing the main land and islands of that locality. The situation is on the natural line of commerce from North to South America, and transversely east and west from Asia across Nicaragua, the Gulf of Mexico, through a ship canal across the peninsula of Florida, to New York and across the Atlantic ocean. The New Jerusalem will contain 10,000,000 people, white and black, and it is maintained that it will become the greatest city in the world. The site for the construction of the temple is 1,000 feet in diameter, surrounded by a circular sea 300 feet wide, the water being supplied from Estero bay and Estero river.

Ground Plan of the New Jerusalem, Central Square, Containing 36 Square Miles.



1, Temple; 2, Crystal Sea; 3, Arcadium; 4, Arcade court; 5, Plaza Gustavus; 6, Triompho Octagonia; 7, Coronas, East, West, North and South; 8, Victorian Way; 9, Meridian Way North; 10, Meridian Way South; 11, Parallel Way East; 12, Parallel Way West.

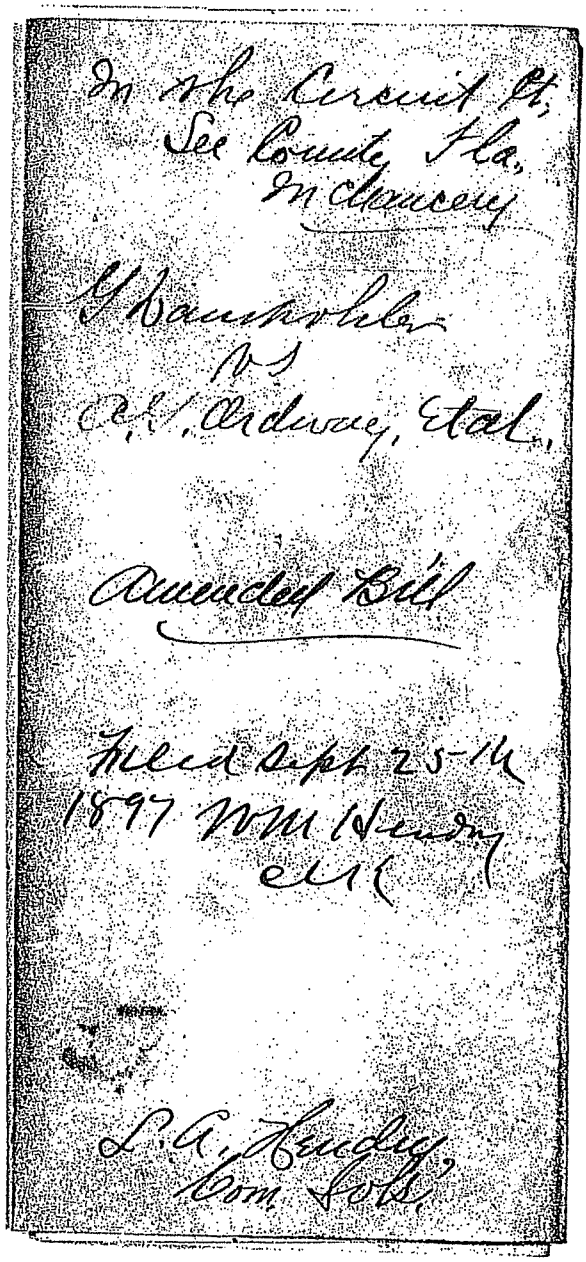
The plan for the temple architecture is a central dome and rotunda 300 feet high and 150 feet in diameter. Extending from the rotunda and surrounding it will be a hexagonal structure, from each side of which is a colonnade projecting 150 feet, there being six of these from the six sides of the central structure. These are of complex architectural design. At the end of these six structures will be six magnificent buildings of six distinct kinds of architecture, yet of so congruous a relationship as to give to the entire temple the appearance of general harmony of design and construction. Outside of and around the Crystal sea is a building called the Arcadium. This is not only outside of the temple area, but also outside of the Crystal sea. This enormous edifice will be composed of seven distinct kinds of architecture encircling seven eighths of the Crystal sea, one eighth of the circle being open toward the east.

In front of the Arcadium and surrounding it is the Arcade Court. Outside of this court is a circle of eight parks in the form of parabolas adjusted to an octagon street. The parks extend from each section of the octagon toward the Arcade Court. The streets of the city will be laid out 400 feet in breadth, with two lines of parks and three divisions of street in the broad avenues. These parks will embrace fruit and nut trees and ornamental growth. The main streets east and west, north and south, are Meridian Way North, Meridian Way South, Parallel Way East, and Parallel Way West. The name of the octagon street is Triompho Octagonia. It is about two miles from side to side of this octagon area. It is the design never to construct buildings along the sides of the public avenues. All structures will be arranged in courts at a distance from the streets, and all buildings will be arranged to face outward and inward toward the parks of the city. As the competitive system will be abolished, there will be no necessity for the kind of traffic which now reduces all our great cities to diabolic infernos.

When the New Jerusalem proper assumes such proportions of magnitude and progress in its development as to become permanent in its architectural creation, the underground or basement will be an excavation walled in to complete a system of intercommunication for cables, wires, and perpetually moving platforms for the transportation of the debris and offal, which will be deodorized with earth and chemicals and conveyed to a spot 40 or more miles from the city, where it will be reduced to fertilizer and returned to the soil. There will be no dumping of the public waste into the rivers, bays, and gulfs. The waters will never be allowed to be rendered impure by such a barbarian method of disposing of accumulated filth. When the streets are once laid, there will be no necessity for tearing them up to excavate for any purpose, as the channels and avenues for every possible underground use will have been previously arranged for. There will be no telegraphic or telephonic wires overhead to mar the beauty of the city, and to interfere with any kind of traffic. The various kinds of traffic, travel, and transportation will be arranged on planes of different elevations, so as to provide against the commotion, disorder, inconvenience, and danger that now characterize all large cities. The wealth by which these purposes are to be accomplished is the economic adjustment of the uses of industry, as industry alone is the basis of the accumulation of products called wealth.

THEOLOGY OF THE KORESHAN SYSTEM.

Man is the habitation and permanent dwelling place of Deity. The perfect humanity, regenerated in spirit, soul, and body, so as to render it immortal and incorruptible, is the temple of God, for "God is in his holy temple." Jesus, the Christ and Savior of the world, was one of the billions of manifestations of the infinite, appearing at regular epochs and intervals of the world's progress and perpetuity. The Son of God was produced from man, therefore he *was* the Son of man. In him dwelt the fulness of the Godhead bodily; hence the trinity was in him and of him. He was biune, bride and bridegroom, and because of this fact he was im-


In the Circuit Ct.
See County Fla.
In Chancery

J. Bauernfeind
vs
C. L. Ordway, Etal.

Amended Bill

Filed Sept 25-14
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Gustav Dankohler
Annie C. Ordway of the
Koreshan Unity

3 Grantor
2 Grantee

by Deed
and Quit-claim
Dec 24th

THIS INDENTURE Made the 29th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety four, BETWEEN Gustave Dankohler, of the County of Lee, and State of Florida, Party of the first part, and Annie C. Ordway for the Koreshan Unity, of the County of Lee, and State of Florida, party of the second part,

WITNESSETH, that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one Dollar lawful money of the United States of America, to him in Hand paid by the said party of the second part, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted Bargained, Sold Conveyed and Confirmed, and by these presents do Grant bargain sell Convey and Confirm, unto the said party of the second part and to her assigns forever; all the following piece, parcel, lot, or tract of land, situate lying and being in the County of Lee, and State of Florida, and described as follows:

The west half of the Nort west Quarter of the Nort East Quarter of Section (33) described in the indenture made between, Gustave Dankohler, Party of the first part, and Boomer, party of the second part, dated tenth January, 1894, one thousand and eight hundred and ninety four, this is part of section thirty three of Township Forty six, South of Tallahassee meridian in Florida, Range Sweny five, East, Containing, twenty acres more or less, and is the present site of the said Gustave Dankohler, residence,

Together with all and singular the tenements hereditaments appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining, and every right title or interest legal or equitable, of the said party of the second part in and to to same;

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said unto the said party of the second part, and assigns to their own proper use benefit and behalf for ever, and the said party of the first part for himself and his heirs executors and administrators, does hereby covenant, that the said party of the first part at the said time of the ensealing hereof is lawfully seized of the above described premises and he has good and indisputed possession of the same, that said party of the second part, shall at all times hereafter have peaceable possession of said premises, free from all incumbrances and liens of every nature and kind soever, including taxes, and the said party of the first part for himself and his heirs the above described premises, and every part and parcel thereof, against the said party of the second part and his assigns against all and every person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same, shall and will warrant, and by these presents forever defend.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE SAID PARTY OF THE FIRST PART hereunto sets his hand and seal the day and year first above written,

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of,

Gustave Dankohler, (SEAL)

1 Cyrus, P. ---d,
8 John, Sargeant,

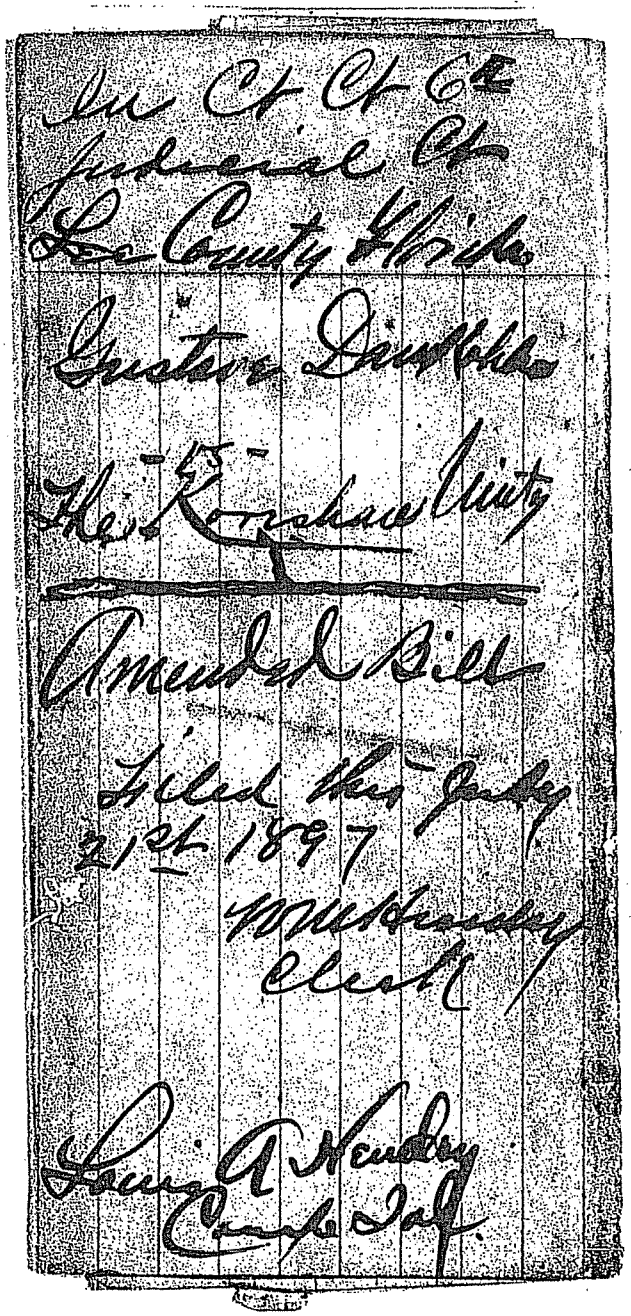
State of Florida,
County of Lee.

I HENRY OBRIEN, that on this twenty-fourth day of December, 1894, before me W m A. Roberts, Notary public, State of Florida, personally appeared Gustave Dankohler, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the executi on thereof to be his free act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned

In and to the lands tenements and hereditaments therein described and thereby granted.

WITNESS my hand and seal at Eatons, the date aforesaid; (SEAL)

Wm A. Roberts,
Notary Public State of Florida at large.


In C. C. C. &
Federal Ct.
La County Illinois
Gustave Dauthier
-vs-
Hen. Kershaw Minty
Amended Bill
Filed this 24th day
2nd 1897
W. Westerman
Clerk
Lewis A. Hendee
Complt Solr

In Circuit Court
6th Judicial Ct
Lee Co Florida

Gustave Dannhöhler

-vs-

Mrs Bertha Brenner and
Mrs Anna G Brenner her
husband Fred Brenner
as Trustees of the Brenner Bible Bible Set
Library and Cyrus Z Fee Florida Realty
Trust agent and trustee
of the said Brenner Library

In the Mrs Bertha Brenner Phillips Judge of the
6th Judicial Circuit of Florida in
and for Lee County, In Chancery Sitting

Amended Bill

Gustav Dannhöhler a Citizen of Lee
County State of Florida comes the
his Bill of Complaint against Mrs
Bertha Brenner as Trustee of the Brenner
an Illinois a Religious and religious
organization having its principal
place of business in the County of Cook
and State of Illinois and having a
branch at retreat in the County of Lee
State of Fla and against Mrs Anna G Brenner
husband by Law Husband Geo O Brenner who
is a resident of the County of Lee State of
Florida as Trustee of the said Brenner

County, and your Orator Jesse R. Hart who is a resident of the County of Cook and State of Illinois and who is the head of and sole provider for the said Barrackman family and dependent upon Orator for support and says — That prior to and until the 10th day of January A.D. 1894 he was the owner in fee simple of the 320 acres of land with improvements thereon in the County of Lee and State of Florida: that said property was of the value of $6000.00

Your Orator would respectfully show unto your Honor that he is 64 years of age and has been for the last two years very feeble both in mind and in body: that he lived upon the aforesaid 320 acres with his only son Elvin Barrackman having lost his wife and three children about 10 years ago and who are buried upon the said 320 acres of land.

Your Orator would most respectfully show unto your Honor that since the decease of his wife and his children his mind has been more or less unbalanced and very much impaired but that he has not since this most

2 lamentable occurrence been
subject to intervals of great de-
pendency varying from insanity

Your Orator most respectfully
shows unto your Honor that he
was while in this state of mental
depression that he met and became
acquainted with the defendants
who falsely represented to your
orator that they were the Chosen
Children of God: that the defendants
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Your Honor took advantage of Your
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dition for the purpose of depriving
Your Orator of all his property
that they caused Your orator on the
10th day of January A.D. 1894 to Con-
vey to one of them Theodore Wis

Cyrus R. Teed alias Koresh et als

Mrs Bertha Boomer in Trust for the Okanogan County all of the following described real estate Viz The S.W.¼ of Sec 28 and the N.W.¼ of the N.E.¼ of Sec 33. Tp 46. South of Range 25 East and the N.E.¼ of the N.W.¼ Sec 33. Tp 46. N of R. 25. E and the W.½ of the S.E.¼ and the South ½ of the N.E.¼ Sec 28. Tp. 46. South of R. 25 East. in the County of Lin and State of Wn. with the exception of 20 acres reserved for Town or Town site Elvin. And that subsequently to wit on the 29 of November A.D. 1894 and while she was under the influence and Control of the Respondents they caused your orator the Convey to another one of their number Viz Mrs Anna E. Ormay in Trust for the Okanogan County the following described real estate to wit = The W½ of the S.W.¼ of the N.E.¼ Sec 33. Tp. 46. N of R. 25 E. in Lin Co Wn the same being the land reserved as aforesaid for Town or Town site Elvin: Both the said deeds of Conveyance being hereto attached marked Exhibit "A" and "B" respectively

Your orator further shows unto Your Honor that at the time

of the execution and delivery of the deed thereto attached and marked Exhibit "A" that there was a mortgage indebtedness on the said tract of land of $200.00 and that the defendants paid off and discharged the same; that your orator has tendered to the defendants the said sum with all the interest due on same to date including interest paid by them and that they have refused the same and that your orator has deposited the same into the registry of the Court as per receipt filed thereto attached marked Exhibit "C" and make a part of this your orators bill of Complaint.

And your orator further shows unto your Honor that by great undue influence was brought to bear upon your orator, whose mind was already seriously weakened and very weak, that he was misled by the combined influence of the defendants, that your orator was misled and foolishly believed that what the defendants represented to him was true, and that acting upon this belief and having no will of his own being

Completely in the defendants
power and under their Control
he was induced to give all
his property away to them freely
believing at the time that he
was giving it to the Benefactors
of God.

Your Orator further
Suggests unto your Honor that
at the time he executed and
delivered the aforesaid deeds of
Conveyance that he was insane
and utterly incapable of dealing
what he was doing and that the
defendants, taking advantage of your Orator's mental condition
fraudulently procured the aforesaid
Instruments dependent your Orator
of all his Earthly possessions

Your Orator further shows unto
your Honor that there was no Consideration
given by the defendants to your
Orator for all of his aforesaid Conveyances
save the aforesaid mortgage indebtedness
which your Orator freely tenders back
to them.

And your Orator will show
that the defendants deeds under the
Circumstances and for the aforesaid
reasons have become void to your

water by proper deeds of conveyance all of the aforesaid land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging but now so it is that the said defendants pretend that they against the said plaintiff Jane your water falsely and deceitfully and without any color influence that they paid to your water full value for the same but your water was of said mind not capable of understanding to his business in that behalf your said water charges the contrary to be true and that the said deeds of conveyance for the premises aforesaid should be declared null and void by this honorable Court or that the defendants should be compelled by an order of this Court to reconvey to your water by proper deeds of conveyance all of the aforesaid land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

All of which actings and doings are contrary to equity and good conscience and tend to the manifest wrong, injury and oppression of your orator its business. All further considerations whereof and forasmuch as your water is remediless in the premises

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at suit by the strict rule of the common law and is valuable only where a Court of Equity will entertain matters of this kind are valuable.

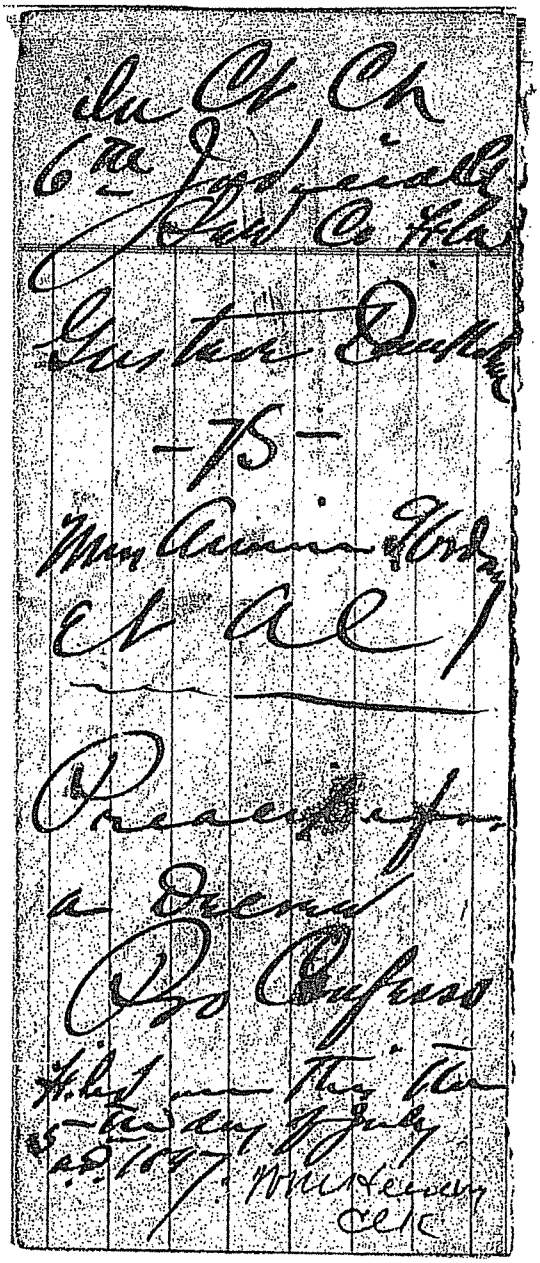
5 The said Plaintiff further charges that the defendants Wm Barton Brown as trustee of the Horsham Unity and Wm Annin Gregory joined by their Assistant Geo Gregory, as trustees of the Horsham Unity have given R Graf the agent hired and employed by the said Horsham Unity may to the utmost of their respective knowledge remembrance information and belief full true direct and perfect answer make to all and singular the matters aforesaid, and that as fully and particularly as if the same were here severally repeated, but not under oath the oath being hereby waived and that they and every one of them distinctly and interrogated thereto.

That that the aforesaid deeds of assignment so made by your orator to the defendants Wm Barton Brinton and Wm Annin Gregory in trust may for the reasons aforesaid be set aside and declared null and void and that your orator may have any other and further relief in the premises

As to your Honor may seem just and Equitable.

May it please your Honor to grant unto your Petr a writ of Habeas Corpus directed to the Defendants Mrs Bertha Brewer and to Miss Annie L Pettway Jailed by the Sheriff Geo Gosney as Trustees as aforesaid, and to the Defendant Jesse R. Grant, the agent Lessee and Lessor of the Norfolkan Lands Thereby Commanding them at a certain time and under a certain Penalty therein named to be and appear before this Honorable Court then and there to answer this bill fully fully, perfectly and directly to all and singular the premises and further to stand to perform and abide such further order direction and decree therein as to this Honorable Court shall seem meet and just and your Petr will ever pray.

Louis A. Hawthorne
Counsel for Complt



In Ch. Ch. 6th Judicial
Cir. Lee Co. Fla

Gustave Daunt Solr
vs
Mrs Annie G. Ordway } Bill to
Joined by Geo Lockhart Set aside
Geo Ordway Et al } Deeds

The Clerk of the Court
will please Enter a
Decree Pro Confesso
in the Above Entitled
Cause on this the 5th day
of July A.D. 1894 for the
want of an Answer
or Demurrer to the Bill
filed herein.

Louis A. Hadley
Complts Solicitor

This 5th day of July
A.D. 1894.

County Commissioners Court
Ira County Texas

State

In C. C.
Lee Co Fla

Gustave Daunkohler
vs
Mrs Bertha Brown
et al

Objection of Comp
to the issuing of
a Commission
to take testimony

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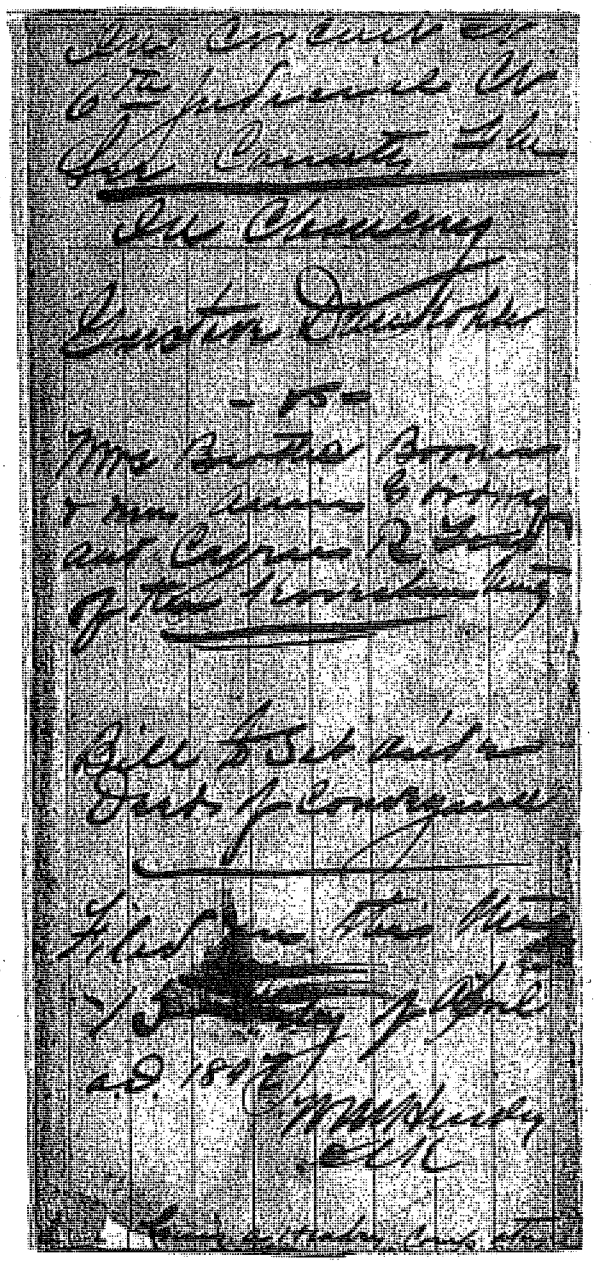
In Circuit Court
Lee Co Ala

Gustave Deutschler
vs
Mrs Bertha Boomer
et al=

Bill to set aside
Deeds=

The Complainant by his Atty
hereby enters his objections to
the issuing of the Commission
for the taking of testimony
in the above cause on this
the 14th day of February ad
1898 because the time for
taking testimony in said cause
has expired under Rule 71
Equity Rules, and because the
Court has not Enlarged the
time, and because the Master
appointed to take the testimony
has closed the Case and made
his report thereon

L L Hundley
Comp Atty



In Circuit Court
6th Judicial Circuit
Lee Co Florida

Gustave Daumkohler,
-vs-
Mrs Bertha Dormer
As Trustee of the Norreshan
Unity, Mrs Anna G. Ormsby
Joined by her Husband
George Ormsby as Trustee
of the Norreshan Unity
And Cyrus R. Reed the
Head Agent and founder
of the Said Norreshan Unity
of the County of Cook and State
of Illinois

Bill to
Set aside
deeds
and
for other
Relief

To the Hon Barron Phillips Judge
of the 6th Judicial Circuit of
Florida, In and for Lee County,
In Chancery Sitting

Gustave Daumkohler a Citizen of the County
of Lee State of Florida, brings this
his bill of Complaint against Mrs
Bertha Dormer as Trustee of the Norreshan
Unity, A political and religious or-
ganization, having its Principal Place
of Business in the County of Cook and
State of Illinois having a branch
at Estero in the County of Lee and

State of Florida and against Mrs Audie G. O'Bryan joined by her husband George O'Bryan, who is a Resident of Lee County Florida, as Trustee of the said Norwahan Unity And against Cyrus R. Teed who is a Resident of the County of Cook and State of Illinois, and who is the head, agent and founder of the said Unity, And thereupon your Orator Complains and says. That prior to and until the 10th day of January A.D. 1894 he was the owner in fee of three hundred and twenty acres of land in the County of Lee and State of Fla. with improvements thereon, said improvements consisting of a small House and Stable And some Tree plantes thereon: that said property was of the value of $6000.00

Your Orator shows also that he had a valuable Apiary consisting of about hives which supplied him with all the Money Your Orator and his son Elvin could consume besides furnishing enough Money from the sale of the honey to supply Your Orator and his son Elvin with all the necessaries of life.

Your Orator shows unto your Honor that he is sixty years of age and very feeble both in Mind and in body; that he lives upon the said tract of land with his only son Elvin having lost his wife and three Children whom your Orator shows unto your honor are buried upon the aforesaid tract of land.

Your Orator shows unto your Honor that ever since the demise of his wife and Children his Mind has been grievously imployed ongoing on to insanity and your Orator shows unto your honor that while in this Condition he met and became acquainted with the defendants who falsely ~~imployed~~ represented to your Orator that the Horsleys were the Chosen Children of God; that the Millennium or new dispensation was at hand, and that the defendant Cyrus R. Teed was the Messiah, the Savior, the Great Jehovah the Messenger of the Covenant.

And your Orator shows unto your honor that the defendants exerted such an influence upon your Orator that he firmly believed that the defendant Cyrus R. Teed, was

in fact and in truth what he represented himself to be; the Messiah the Saviour, Elijah the Great Jehovah the Messenger of the Covenant, and that the Millinium or new dispensation was at hand.

And Your Orator shows unto your Honor that he was brought upon by this belief to such religious fervor upon the representations of the defendants that he did on the 10th day of January A.D. 1894 Execute and Deliver to the defendant Mrs Bertha S. Bonner in trust for the Pentecostal Society the following described tract of land to wit The South West Quarter of Section 28 and the North West 1/4 of the N.E.1/4 Sec 33. The N.E.1/4 of the N.W.1/4 Sec 33. The W1/2 of the S.E.1/4 & the S1/2 of the N.E.1/4 Sec 28 T 46. S.R. 25 E. all of said land being in the County of Lee State of Fla.

Your Orator shows unto Your Honor that out of the above tract of land which was all of Your Orators land he reserved for his own Use 20 Acres described as follows= The W1/2 of the N.W.1/4 of the N.E.1/4 Sec 33 All of which will fully appear by reference to said deed with said Grantee

hereto attached Marked Exhibit "B" and prayed to be Made a part of this your Orators Bill of Comp.

And your Orator further shows unto your honor that While he was still laboring under the delusion that Cyrus R. Lord was the Messiah etc. and that the New Dispensation was at hand. he did on the 29th day of November A.D. 1894 upon the unsolicited solicitation of the defendants execute and deliver to the defendant Mrs Anna G. Ordway six Deeds for the Reservation Lots the 20 acres reserved as aforesaid for your orators only one Edwin.

Your Orator shows unto your honor that at the time he executed the foregoing deeds & Conveyances that he was in such a mental Condition, brought about by the representations of the defendants. that he was wholly incapacitated to attend to any business intelligently; that he was so carried away or misled by the defendants that he had no Control of his actions, but was Completely under the influence of the defendants: And that he truely believed

that he was giving his land to the
Kingdom of God, and that the
defendant Cyrus L. Teed was the Messiah.

Your Orator shows &
represents to Your Honor that at
the time he Conveyed the aforesaid
land to the defendant Mrs Bertha
Boomer in trust for the Koreshan
Unity. That there was a mortgage
debt of $200.00 on a part of said
land so Conveyed to her discretion
as follows. The S½ of S.W. ¼ of Sec. 28
T. 46. S of R. 26 E. the N.W. ¼ of the N.E. ¼
Sec 33. T. 46 S of R 26 E. Containing 120 a
And that the defendant Mrs. Bertha
paid the same.

Your Orator further
shows unto your Honor that
there was no Consideration
paid to him for the aforesaid
tracts of land unless the $200.00
paid as aforesaid by the defendant
Mrs Bertha Boomer would be part
Consideration for the part or tract
of land so Mortgaged as aforesaid

Your Orator shows unto
Your Honor that the defendants

to this bill and particularly the defendant Cyrus R Ford, whom your orator shows unto your honor as being a sharp and shrewd business man, took an undue advantage of your orators weakness and exerted such an undue influence over him with the intention of defrauding him out of his entire property as to stupefy notice, your orator and that your orator was insane at the time he executed said deeds of conveyance.

Your orator shows unto your honor that he labored and worked for the Bonneau Lumber Co at their request for three years while under the delusion that they were the chosen children of God and that Cyrus R Ford was the Messenger, as they the defendants represented to your orator and that they the defendants have not paid your orator any compensation for his labor and time.

And your orator further shows unto your honor

~~the Defendants Cyrus D. Good et ux~~ ~~et al~~ ~~et al~~ of ~~his~~ Complainants ~~bill~~ the Parties of the second part of the deed herein attached and marked Exhibit "B" have not performed their ~~part~~ agreement part, as therein stipulated; that there is a certain Clause or proviso in said deed of conveyance that provides and stipulates that in case the said parties of the second part fails to make ample provision for your Orator, during his life, and for the care and Education of your Orators dau Elvira Danielson during his minority; that then the said deed of Conveyance shall become void.

~~Your Orator shows unto your Honor that the defendants~~ ~~have~~ ~~any~~ ~~way~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~behalf~~ ~~have~~ ~~made~~ ~~ample~~ ~~provision~~ ~~for~~ ~~your~~ ~~Orator~~; ~~and~~ that in Consequence of the failure of the said defendants to ~~make~~ and perform, that the aforesaid deed of Conveyance is void.

Your Orator shows and represents unto your Honor that the defendants have failed to

made ample provision as therein specified
and has also failed to properly
care for your orators son Elvin
Dansbach and has wholly failed
to Educate him as therein agreed
And your orator shows
unto your Honor that by the failure
of the defendants to performe their
said agreement the said deed of
Conveyance has become void,
And your orator well hoped
that the defendants would under the
circumstances and for the reasons aforesaid
have reconveyed to your orator by
proper deed of Conveyance all of the
aforesaid land with the appurtenances
thereto belonging, but now so it is that
they the defendants pretend that they
acquired the land from your orator
fairly and honestly, and without any
undue influence, that they paid
to your orator a valuable Consideration
for the same, that your orator
was of sound mind and capable
of attending to his business, and
that they have fully performed their
part of the agreement or stipulation
as specified in said deed of Con-
veyance as aforesaid, Whereas your

orator charges the contrary to be true and that the said deeds of conveyance should be declared null and void by this honorable court.

All of which actings and doings are contrary to equity and good conscience and tend to the manifest wrong and injury and oppression of your orator in the premises.

In tender consideration whereof and forasmuch as your orator is remediless in the premises at and by the strict rules of the common law and is relievable only in a court of Equity where matters of this nature are cognizable and relievable

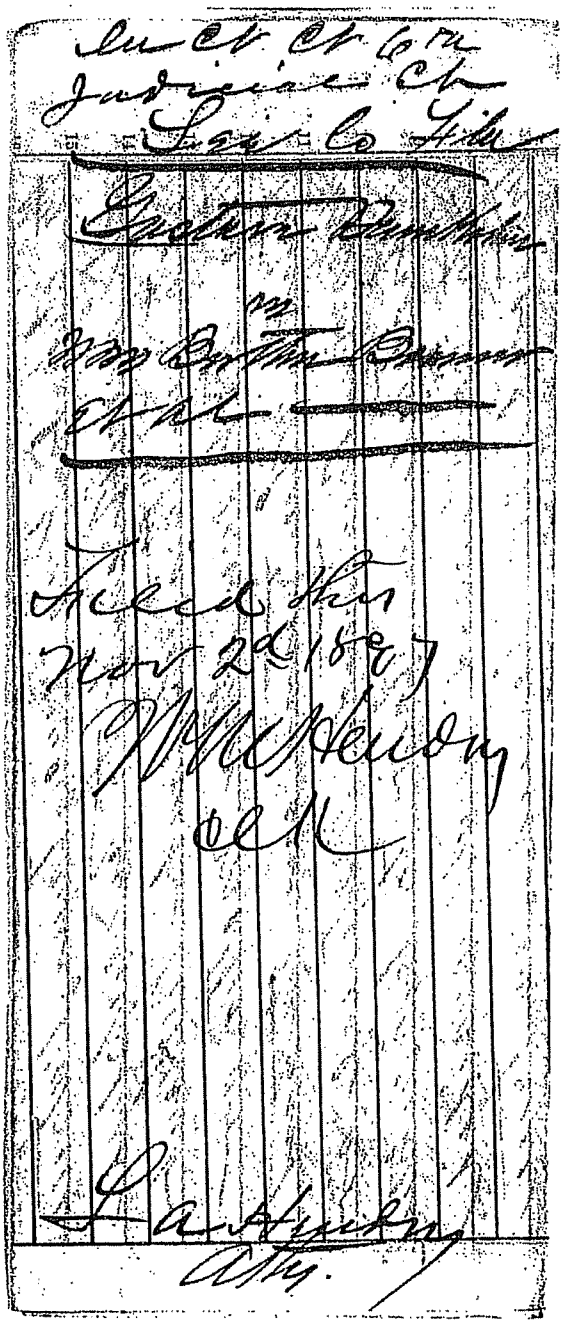
To the end therefore that the said defendants, Mrs Bertha Bonner as trustee of the aforesaid Horseshoe Mining Co. joined by her husband Sly Ordway and Mrs Annie G. Ordway as trustee of the said Horseshoe Mining, and Lyman R Frost, as the agent, head and founder of the said Horseshoe Mining may to the utmost of their respective knowledge remembrance information and belief full true direct and perfect answer make to all and singular the matters aforesaid, and that as fully and correctly as if the same were here repeated

but not under oath, the oath being hereby waived, and that they and every one of them distinctly interrogated thereto.

And that the aforesaid deeds of conveyance so made by your orator as aforesaid to the defendants Mrs Bertha Bonner in trust, and to the defendant Mrs Annie G Ordway in trust, may for the reasons aforesaid be set aside and be declared null and void by this Honorable Court.

May it please your Honor to grant unto your orator a writ of subpoena directed to the defendants Mrs. Bertha Bonner and Mrs Annie G. Ordway Joined by her husband George Ordway trustees as aforesaid, and to the defendant Cyrus R. Teed, the great head and founder of the Koreshan Unity as aforesaid, thereby commanding them at a certain time and under a certain penalty to be and appear before this Honorable Court then and there to answer this bill fully, fully, and directly and perfectly to all and singular the premises and further to stand to, perform and abide such further order direction and decree therein as to this Honorable Court shall seem meet and just, and your orator will ever pray.

Louis A Hendry
Complainant


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Graham Brothers
vs
Jay Gould Impl
et al

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In Circuit Court
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Gustave Daumlohr

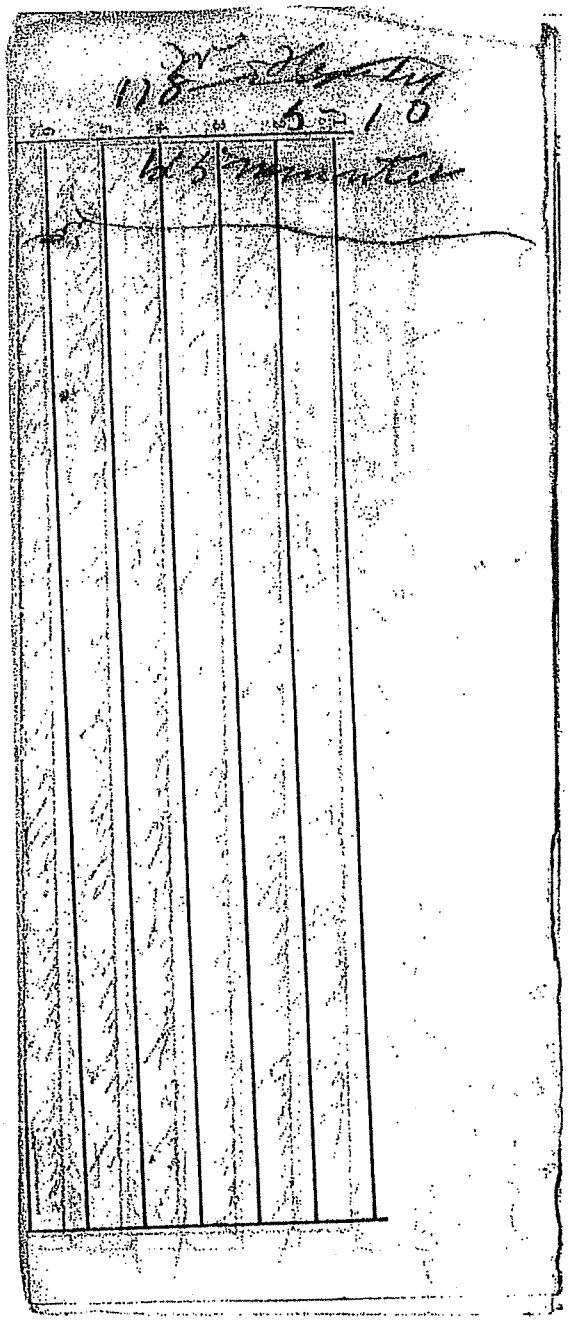
-vs-

Mrs Bertha Baumer et al

The replication of Gustave Daumlohr Complainant to the answer of Mrs Bertha Baumer et al Defendants—

This replicant saving and reserving unto himself all and all manner of advantage of exception to the manifold insufficiencies of the said answer for replication thereto says that he will aver and prove his said bill to be true certain and sufficient unto the law to be answered unto and that the said answer of the defendant is uncertain untrue and insufficient to be replied unto by this Replicant Without this that any other matter or thing or allegation in the said answer contained material or effectual in law to be replied unto confessed and avoided traversed or denied is true All Which and Matters and Things this replicant is and will be ready to prove as this honorable Court shall direct and humbly prays as in and by his said Bill he has already prayed

J A Hartley Com's Sol



In the Circuit
Ct. Lee Co, Fla

W. Hamsthler
vs.
Dr. Tice et al.

Affidavit of
J. Hodges Jr.

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Jno. T. Cooper
City Fathers

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judidical Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Flotida, IN CHANCERY.

Gustave Damkohler,
Complainant,

Bill tox set aside Deed.

vs

Cyrus P. Teed, et al.,
Defendants.

Affidavit of Jonathan Hoag, Jr.

State of Florida,
Lee County:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Jonathan Hoag, Jr., who after being duly sworn, says:

That his name is Joanthan Hoag, Jr.; That he is one of the duly authorized attorneys for the defendants in the above entitled cause: That the complainant, or his attorney, made no move to take any testimony before the master, James L. Harn, till nearly two months after the cause was at issue, to-wit, on the 23rd or 24th day of December (the testimony as taken down by the said Master not showing the date of the said taking). That the taking of the testimony in the cause was then postponed till after the holidays, the said master being away on a hunting trip. That on January 6th, the master resumed the taking of the said testimony of the complainant. That January 7th was also set for the taking of testimony in the said cause. That on that day thes affiant was unable to attend the said sitting on account of the illness of his wife, and the said sitting was continued.

Affiant further says that on January 9th, his wife died and on January 13th, his child. That since that date affiant has been incapacitated to properly attend to his legal business, on account of his loss, although he has made all the effort in his power so to do. That affiant attempted to continue his professional labors, and has, at the repeated requests of the attorney for the Complainant in this cause, consented to be present at the sittings for the further taking of complainant's testimony, and has just completed the same, although affiant was at the time of the said sittings, physically and mentally unable to properly attnd to the interests of his clients, the defendants.

Affiant further says that he intended, during the first part of January, and after the taking of the complainant's testimony, to confer with his associate attorney, C. W. Greenfield, and the defendants, all at Chicago, Ill., by telegraph, and decide upon the witnesses necessary for a proper defense, and have commissions issued to take their depositions, which would have been ample time to have had the same returned by

February 2nd, the limit of the time for taking the testimony, but that he was prevented from so doing by the causes above mentioned.

Jonathan Heaz Jr

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on this the 7th day of February, 1898.

W. W. Lindsey Clerk Ctd

~~Notary Public~~.

In the Circuit Court
See County, Florida
In Chancery

G. Bauchohler
vs.
Lyric R Reid et al,

Praecipe for
Commission

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In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida. In Chancery.

O. Dankohler,

vs

~~Agreement~~ Bill to set aside Deed.
~~Decree Profits Etc.~~

~~Esther Slottlers~~

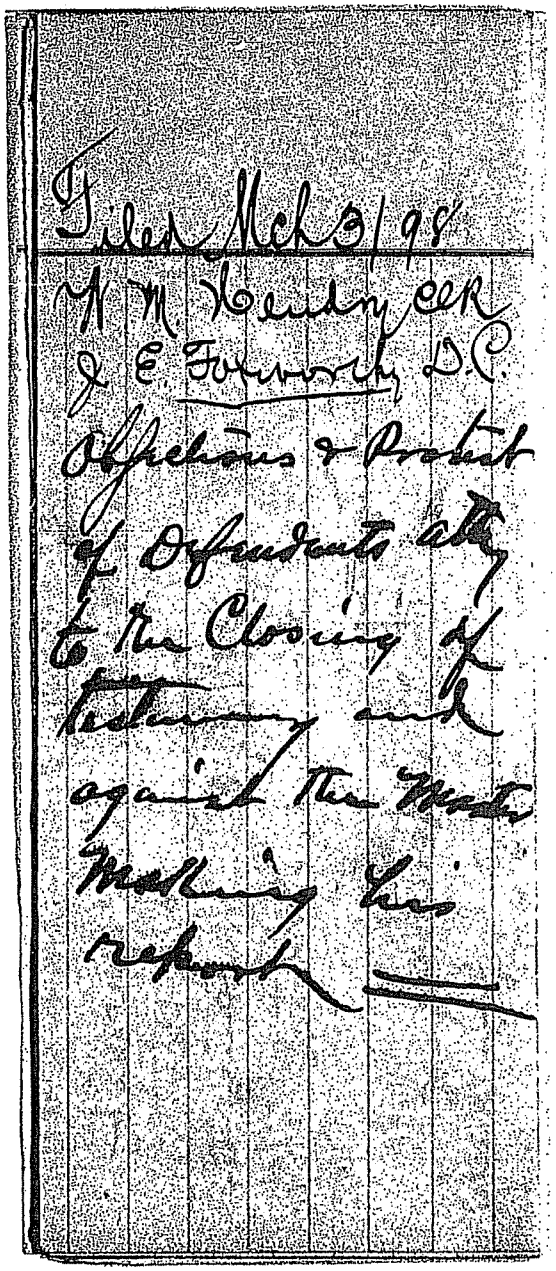
The Clerk of the above named court will please issue a commission to take the depositions of Annie C. Ordway, Martha C. Doumar, Elizabeth Robinson, Cyrus P. Teed ~~and~~ Geo. H. Ordway, material witnesses for the defendant in the above cause, upon the showing made in the notice and interrogatories filed.- Laura D. Hill, as Commissioner for Defendant.

H. B. Gilbreath and N. C. Moore

W. W. Crumpfield and

Jonathan Hodges Jr.

Attys for Dft.


Filed March 1898
M. M. Leavy, Clk
J. E. Fennerty, D.C.
Objections & Protest
of Defendants atty
to the Closing of
Testimony and
against the Court
Hearing the
Cause

in this Cause =

Note = By Defendant Counsel

The time for the taking the testimony by the master in this cause having on this 2nd day of February, 1876, expired by limitation under a time under Rule 71 of practice in the Circuit Courts of this State in Equity, Counsel for Defendant now asks Counsel for Complainant to grant an extension of time for the taking of testimony in this Cause upon the following grounds, to-wit:

Because the Complainant has just completed the taking of his testimony on this day.

Because the Counsel for defendants has not known until the last few days what witnesses he would need in defense.

Because said Complainant did not begin the taking of his testimony till about the 20 or 23rd of December.

Because the necessary witnesses for the defense are non-residents of the State of Florida, and Commissions must be issued to take their said testimony.

Because C.W. Greenfield who is one of the Counsel for the defendants, resides in Chicago, Ill., where also resides the defendants in this cause, and it is necessary for Counsel to confer, & to have Counsel with said C.W. Greenfield and said defendants, in order to properly prepare defense, Because of the irregular and illegal methods that have been employed in the taking this testimony, with adjournment from time to time.

~~Because Counsel for Defendants has~~

Because the master has, by the agreement and Consent of both Counsel for Comp. and Defs, adjourned the taking the testimony ~~from time to time~~ of Complainant, from time to time, in order to let him get his witnesses here at his convenience.

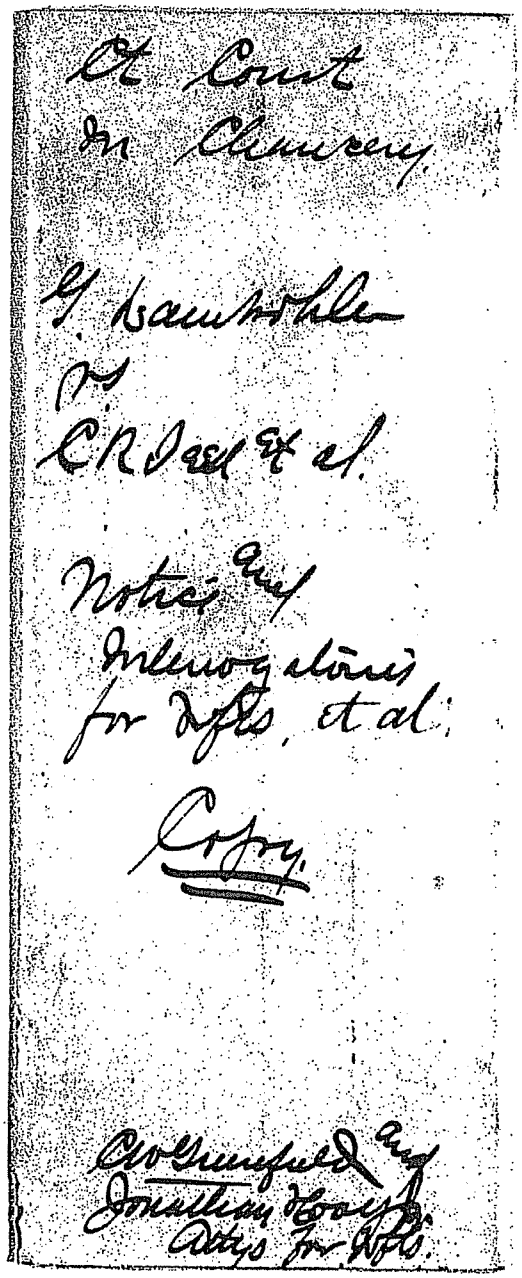
Because of the manifest inconvenience and necessary delay that the Counsel for Defs is necessarily put to in order to confer with associate Counsel, and with non-resident defendants.

The counsel for Complainant refusing said agreement, the Counsel for Defts, here by protests against the master filing the said Evidence in Court and making his report till the further order of the Court

Jonathan Goodloe
Sol. for Defts

Counsel for Complainants here states that time and again has he mentioned to defendants Counsel. That it was not necessary to await the winding up of the evidence for the Complainant before he commenced to take his testimony.

L. Hendren
Counsel for Compl.


Ct Court
Dr Chancery

G. Hamersley
vs
C R Dell et al.

Notice and
Interrogatories
for Defts. et al.

Copy.

Consented and
Jonathan Hooper
Attys for Defts.

A true Copy

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY.

Gustave Pamkohler,

Complainant,

vs. Bill to set aside Deed.

Cyrus P. Tood, et al.,

Defendants.

Notice of intention to take out Commission to take testimony of Defendants' Witnesses.

The above named complainant and his attorney will please take notice that on Saturday, the 12th day of February, 1898 I will apply to the Hon. W. W. Hendry, Clerk of the above named Court for a commission to take the depositions of the following material witnesses for the defendants, to-wit:- Cyrus P. Tood, Annie C. Ordway, Bertha S. Roomer, Geo. T. Ordway, H. D. Silverfriend, Elizabeth Robinson, and W. C. Morrow, all of Cook County, Illinois, the above cause being now at issue, and the said witnesses not residing in Lee County, Florida, but as above stated.

And the defendants name Laura D. Will, of (D) Rookery Block, 99 Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, as a Commissioner for the defendants to take the said Depositions.

A copy of the interrogatories to be propounded to the witnesses is hereunto attached.

Will Brumfield and
Jno. Knox Hodges Jr.

Attorneys for Defendants.

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In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, In Chancery.

O. Tankuhler,

complainant,

vs

Bill to set aside Deed.

Cyrus P. Tood, et al.,

Defendants.

Interrogatories to be propounded to W. F. Silverfriend, Elizabeth Robinson, and W. C. Morrow, material witnesses for the defendants, all of Cook County, Illinois.

1st Interrogatory:- Please State your name, age, and place of residence.

2nd Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not you are acquainted with the parties to this suit.

3rd Interrogatory:- If your answer to the former question be yes, please state how long you have known them, and when and where you met them.

4th Interrogatory:- In the bill of complaint filed in this cause it is alleged that the defendants to this suit met the complainant in the early part of the year 1904, and that the said defendants, with a view to defraud the said complainant, falsely represented to him that they were the chosen children of God: that Cyrus P. Tood was the Messiah, that the defendants were going to build a great city at Estero, Florida, and that the defendants colluded together and exerted such an undue and improper influence upon him that they caused him to make a deed to twenty acres of land, the land in controversy in this suit, to one of their number- Mrs. Annie O. Ordway. If you know of your own knowledge anything concerning the representations made to the said complainant by the defendants, or any of them, or anything anything in regard to the influence brought to bear upon the complainant by the defendants, or any of them, tending to influence the action of the said complainant in making the said deed, please state fully the character of the said representations, and the nature of the said influence, or so much thereof as may be material to this suit.

5th Interrogatory:- It is also alleged in the said bill that at the time the complainant made the said deed to the twenty acres of land in question, he was weak both in body and mind, and incapable of properly attending to his business affairs. Please state how long you have known the complainant, how much

you were thrown in contact with him, and when, the nature of the work, if any, that he performed for the Unity before the making of this deed, and during the year 1894: whether or not the said work, if any, was performed satisfactorially and intelligently, and whether or not you considered him during that time capable of properly managing his own affairs. Answer fully.

6th Interrogatory:- Please state the consideration and inducements offered the said complainant for the making of the said deed, if you know of your own knowledge.

7th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not you were acquainted with the land values at and around Estero, Florida, during the year 1894. If your answer be yes, please state the value of the twenty acres of land in question in this suit, if you know the same, at the time the said deed was made by the complainant to Annie G. Ordway, on November 29th, 1896, exclusive of the improvements on the same.

8th Interrogatory:- aPlease state the nature and value of the improvements, if you know, on the said twenty acres of land at the time the said deed was made.

9th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not the said defendants have made any improvements on the said twenty acres of land since the making of the said deed, and prior to the bringing of this suit. If your answer be yes, please state the nature and value of the same, if you know.

10th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not the defendants made any improvements on the said twenty acres of land prior to the making of the said deed. If your answer be yes, please state the nature and value of the same, if you know.

11th Interrogatory:- If you are a member of the Koreshan Unity, state whether or not, you, as a member of the said Unity, considered the complainant a member, from a communistic standpoint, and as such member, entitled to a right, in common with all other members, to all the property of the said Unity.

12th Interrogatory:- Please state what you know of your own knowledge of the methods employed by the defendants, or any of them, prior to the making of the said deed in question, in dealing with prospective converts, as to whether or not they were legitimate methods, and the nature of the same.

13th Interrogatory:- Do you know or can you set forth any other matter or thing that may be a benefit or advantage to the parties at issue in this cause, or any of them, or that may be material to this your examination, or the matters in question in this cause? If yes, set forth the same fully and at large in your answer.

E. W. Trueman
Jonathan Bloom
Solrs for Cplt.

A true Copy

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, in Chancery.

C. Ramkohler,

Bill to set aside Deed.

vs

Cyrus R. Teed, et al.,

Interrogatories to be propounded to Cyrus R. Teed, Annie C. Ordway, Bertha S. Roumer, Geo. T. Ordway, [redacted] material witnesses for the defendants, all of Cook County, Illinois.

1st Interrogatory:- Please state your name, age, place of residence?

2nd Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not you are one of the defendants in this cause, and whether or not you are acquainted with the parties to this suit?

3nd Interrogatory:- In the bill of complaint filed in this cause to which you are made a party defendant, it is alleged that you, with the other defendants, met the complainant in the early part of the year 1904, and with a view to defrauding the said complainant of his property, falsely represented to him that the defendants were the chosen children of God; that Cyrus R. Teed was the Messiah, the messenger of the covenant, etc; that the defendants were going to build a great city at Estero, Fla; and that you, singly, and in collusion with the other defendants, by fraudulent means, exerted an undue and improper influence upon the complainant, causing him, on the 28th day of November, 1904, to deed to Mrs. Annie C. Ordway, a part in twenty acres of land, at Estero, Fla. Please state whether or not this be true, and if it be not true, please state what you know of your own knowledge, the representations that were made by you and the other defendants as to your religious doctrines and the building of the city at Estero, and also the kind of influence, if any, that was brought to bear upon the complainant, by yourself and the other defendants, or others, inducing him to make the said deed. Answer of your own knowledge, fully, and at large.

3rd Interrogatory:- It is also alleged in the said bill that at the time the complainant made the said deed to the twenty acres of land in question, he was weak both in body and in mind, and incapable of attending to his business affairs. Please state how long you have known the complainant; the nature and amount of work that he performed for the City prior to the making of the said and during the year 1904; whether or not the

said work, if any, was performed satisfactorily, and intelligently, and whether or not you considered him during that time capable of properly managing his own affairs. Answer fully.

4th Interrogatory:- Please state the consideration and inducements offered the said complainant for the making of the said deed.

5th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not you were acquainted with land values at and around Estero, during the year 1894. If your answer be yes, please state the value of the twenty acres of land in question at the time that the same was deeded by the complainant to Annie C. Ordway, exclusive of improvements.

6th Interrogatory:- Please state the value and nature of the improvements on the said land at the time the said deed was made, if you know.

7th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not the defendants have made any improvements on the said twenty acres of land since the making of the said deed and prior to the bringing of this suit. If your answer be Yes, please state the nature and value of the same, of your own knowledge.

8th Interrogatory:- Please state whther of not the defendants made any improvements on the said land prior to to the making of the said deed. If your answer be yes, please state the value and nature of the same, if you know.

9th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not the complainant had knowledge of the fact of the making of all the above mentioned improvements, and whether ornot he objected to the same being made.

10th Interrogatory:- Please state how the defendants came acquainted with the complainant and how you came to learn that he had land to sell.

11th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not the defendants considered the complainant a member of the said Koreshan Unity, from a communistic standpoint, and as such member entitled to a right in common with the other members to all the property of the said Unity.

12th Interrogatory:- Please state whether or not the defendants have performed, or are ready and willing to perform, their part of the consideration for the said deed. Answer fully.

13th Interrogatory:- Please examine carefully the statements made and the facts set forth in the answer of the defendants to the bill of complaint in this cause, and state whether or not the same are true and correct. (Answer to be commutative)

14th Interrogatory:- Please state what you know of your own knowledge of the methods employed by the defendants, prior to the making of the deed in question, in dealing with converts, as to whether or not they are legitimate methods, and the nature of the same. Answer fully.

15th Interrogatory:- Do you know or can you set forth any other matter or thing which may be a benefit or advantage to the parties at issue in this cause, or either of them, or that may be material to this your examination, or the matters in question in this cause? If yea, set forth the same fully and at large in your answer.

W. W. Greenhill Esq
Martin Knight

Attorneys for Defendants.

n the Circuit Court,
En and for Lee County, Florida.
In Chancery.

C. Damhohler,

VS:

Annie C. Ordway, et al.,

Appearance of Defendants.

Filed June 7th
1897 W. M. Hendry
Clerk

Jonathan Wong, Jr.,
Solic. for Dfts.

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY:

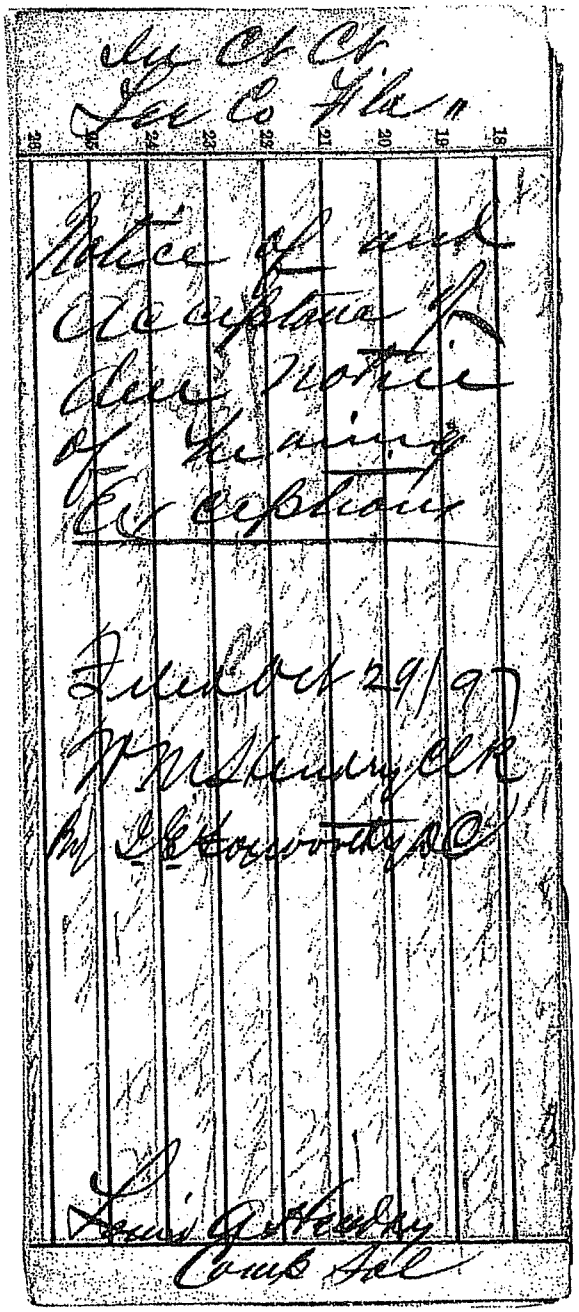
Cortez Smith,
Complainant,

vs:
Annie A. Ordway, as Trustee, etc., et al.,
Defendants:

Bill to set aside Deeds and other Relief:

Now on this the 4th day of June, 1907, come the defendants, Annie A. Ordway, as Trustee, etc., et al., and Cyrus R. Ford, Receiver of the Manatee Bank, etc., by their Solicitor, Jonathan Nash, Jr., and enter their appearance for the rule day in June, 1907.

Jonathan Nash, Jr.
Solicitor for Defendants



In Circuit Court
of the Judicial Ct
Lee County Ala

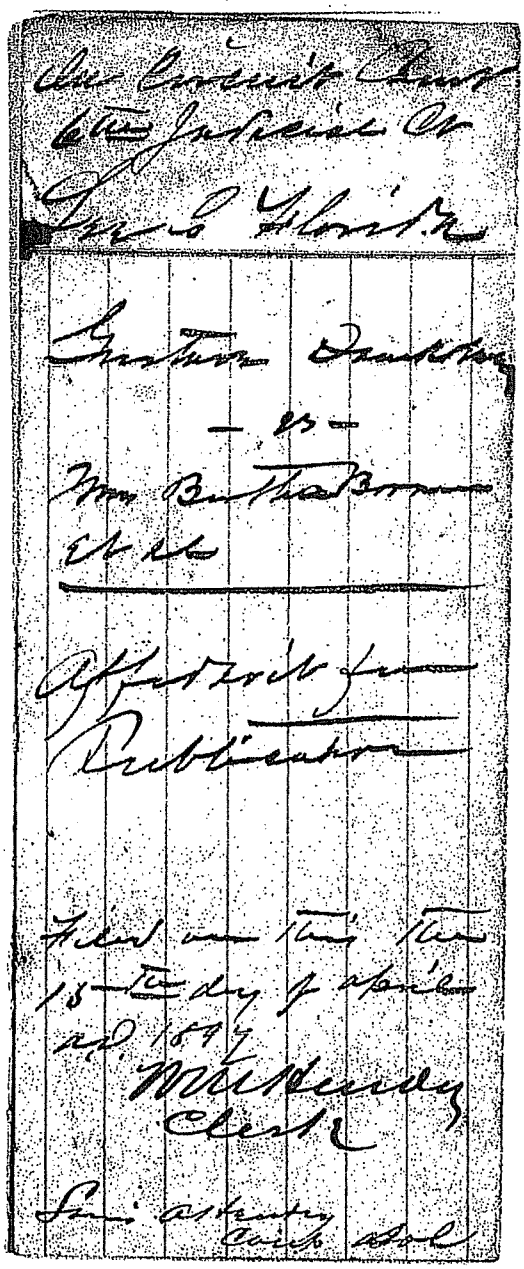
Eustace Beauregard
vs
Wm Burke Burnett et al

To Johnathan Troy Jr
Defendants Counsel

Please take notice that I
will present a Petition to the
Hon Bryan Phillips Judge
on Friday the 5th day of Oct 1847
at Troops Ala and move the
Honor to strike from the
answer of the Defendants in the
above cause the Petition exhibited
to the Complainant in the
Chancery Court and recently
Received the Written notice
on this 2nd day of Oct A.D. 1847

Jonathan Troy Jr
Solr for Ptff

Edwd O. Crenshaw
Sold for Ptff



In the Circuit Court
of the Judicial Cir
cuit of Illinois

Eastern District

— vs —

Wm Burtis Brown
et al

Affidavit for
Publication

State of Illinois
} ss
County of Clay

I, M. Kennedy, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the affidavit for publication in the above entitled cause, as the same appears of record in my office.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at my office in Flora, this 18th day of March A.D. 1897.

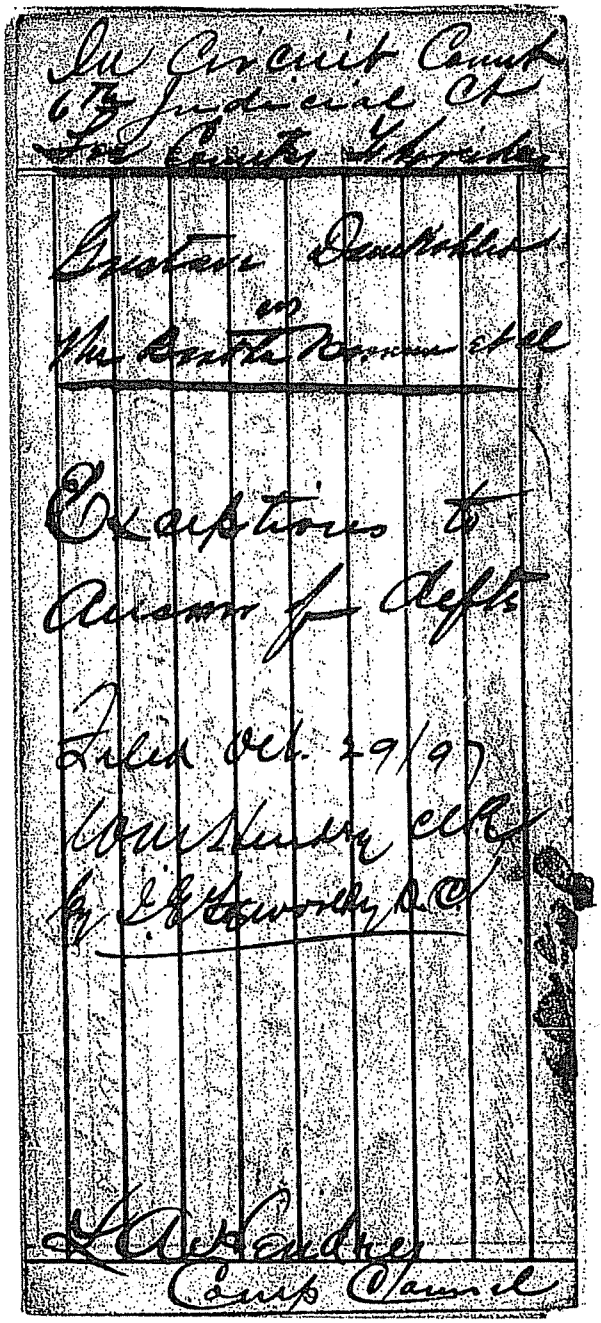
M. Kennedy
Clerk

State of Florida }
County of Lee }

This day the 15th of April A.D. 1894 before me Louis A Stuart a notary Public for the State of Florida at large personally came Gustave Damkohler who after being duly sworn says. That he is the Complainant in the suit of Gustave Damkohler vs Mrs Bertha Boomer Executrix of the Succession Estate of Cyrus B Foster and Mrs Annie L Ordway as trustee of said Succession Estate &c &c, and Mrs Annie L Ordway et al, Bill to set aside Conveyances, and that the defendant Mrs Bertha Boomer and Cyrus B Foster are non-residents of the State of Fla that they are over the age of 21 years and that to the best of his belief and knowledge they are residents of the County of Cook and State of Illinois, and that there is no person in the State of Fla the service of a subpoena upon whom would bind the defendants Gustave Damkohler.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 15th day of April A.D. 1894

Louis A Stuart Notary Public


In Circuit Court
of Judicial
for County of Berrien

Erastus Dandridge
vs
The Grand Trunk etal

Exceptions to
Answer for defts

Filed Oct. 29/97
Wm Newton clk
by L. E. Ellsworth D.C.

L. E. Ellsworth
Corp Counsel

In the Circuit Court
6th Judicial Circuit
In and for Lee County

Gustave Danckaker

vs

Wm Bertha

Bill to set
aside deed

Exceptions taken by the Complainant
Gustave Danckaker to the answer of
the defendant's Wm Bertha Bitzer
& to the Bill of Complaint in this
cause for impertinence.

First For that the said answer is
impertinent from the beginning of
the line 29 on second page and
commencing with the words "Further
Answering" and ending with the word
"And" on the first line of the
Eighth (8) page.

2nd For that the said answer is im-
pertinent Commencing at the beginning
of the 5th line on page Eight (8)
with the words "further Answering" and
ending with line 21 on Page
(9) Nine)

3rd For that the said answer is impertinent
Commencing with the word "Thereto"
on line 28 page Ten (10) and ending
with the word "denied" on line 16
Page Eleven (11)

4th

For that the said answer is impertinent Commencing with line Nine (9) with the word "Justice" on page twelve 12 and ending with the word "Same" on line 30 page twelve (12)

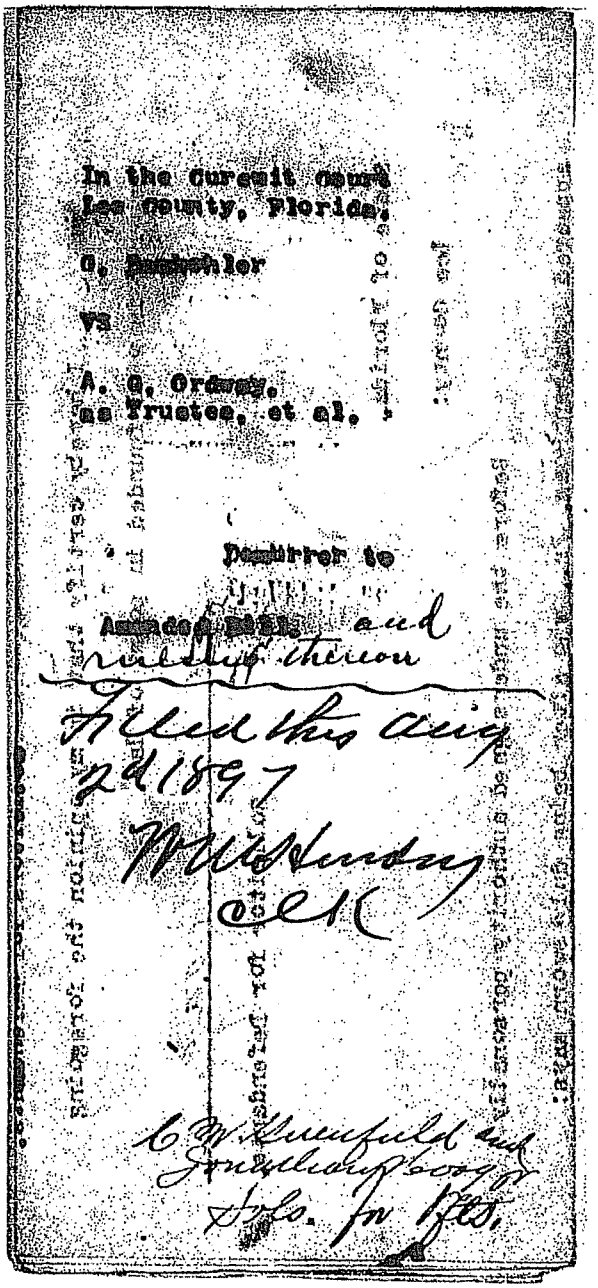
5th For that the said answer is impertinent Commencing with the first line on page thirteen (13) and with the word "Justice" and Ending with the word "thereof" on line 8.

In all of which particulars the Complainant excepts to the said Answer of the defendants as impertinent and insists that the same ought to be Expunged from the said answer.

Louis Adendorff, Solr for Cplt

The foregoing exceptions are overruled. Done at Chambers Tampa Florida this the 19th day of October A D 1897

Barron Phillips
Judge



In the Circuit Court
Lee County, Florida.

G. Pendexter

vs

A. G. Cranney,
as Trustee, et al.

Demurrer to

Amended Bill and
ruling thereon

Filed this day
2/18/97
W. H. Hendry
Clk

for Complainant

C. W. Bluefield and
Fowler & Cooper
Sols. for Defts.

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for the County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY:

Gustave Dankohler,

Complainant,

VS;

Mrs. Annie C. Ordway, as Trustee, etc., et al,

Defendants.

Bill to set aside Deeds and other relief.

Demurrer to Amended Bill:

Now comes the defendants in the above entitled cause, by their Solicitors, C. W. Greenfield and Jonathan Hoag, Jr., and demurrer to the Amended Bill of Complainat filed in this cause, and say that the same is insufficient in law to be replied unto.

C. W. Greenfield

Jonathan Hoag Jr

Solicitors for Defendants.

Grounds of Demurrer to be argued.

And for grounds of Demurrer say:

First: That the said amended Bill is multifarious, in that it seeks relief against two different parties, on two entirely different subject matters, and on two entirely different transactions.

Second: Because the court cannot adjudicate the matter upon which the relief is sought.

Third: That there is no cause of action because the said amended bill shows upon its face that the alleged misrepresentations of the defendants were but speculations upon a religious philosophy.

Fourth: Because the foundation of the relief

their turth or falsity cannot be inquired into or adjudicated by the court, upon any proof it is possible for the Complainant to submit.

Jonathan Koaq Jr
C W Bousfield

Solicitors for Defendants.

I hereby certify that in my opinion the foregoing demurrer is well founded in point of law.

Jonathan Koaq Jr

Solicitor for Defendants.

State of Florida,

Lee County:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Jonathan Hoag, Jr., who after being duly sworn says: That he is one of the Solicitors for the defendants in the above named cause; that the foregoing demurrer is not interposed for the sake of delay.

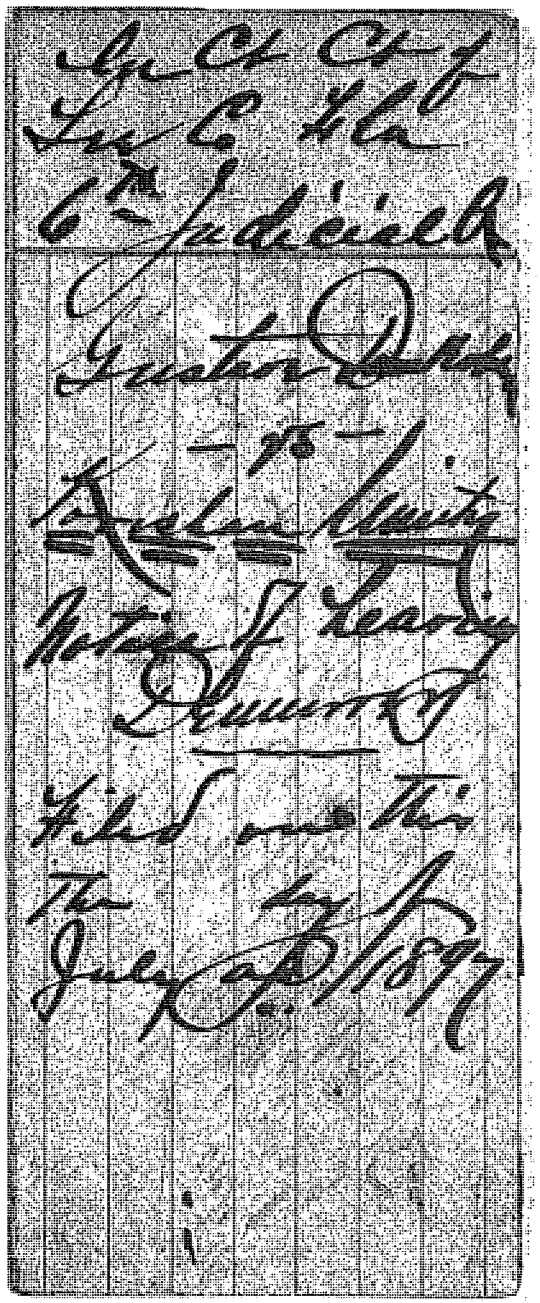
Jonathan Koaq Jr

Sworn to and subscribed before me
on this the 2nd day of
August, 1897.

W H Bevis
Clerk
Circuit
Court

The foregoing demurrer is sustained upon the first ground therein, Done and ordered at Chambers Tampa Florida this the 17th day of August A.D. 1897.

Barron Phillips
Judge



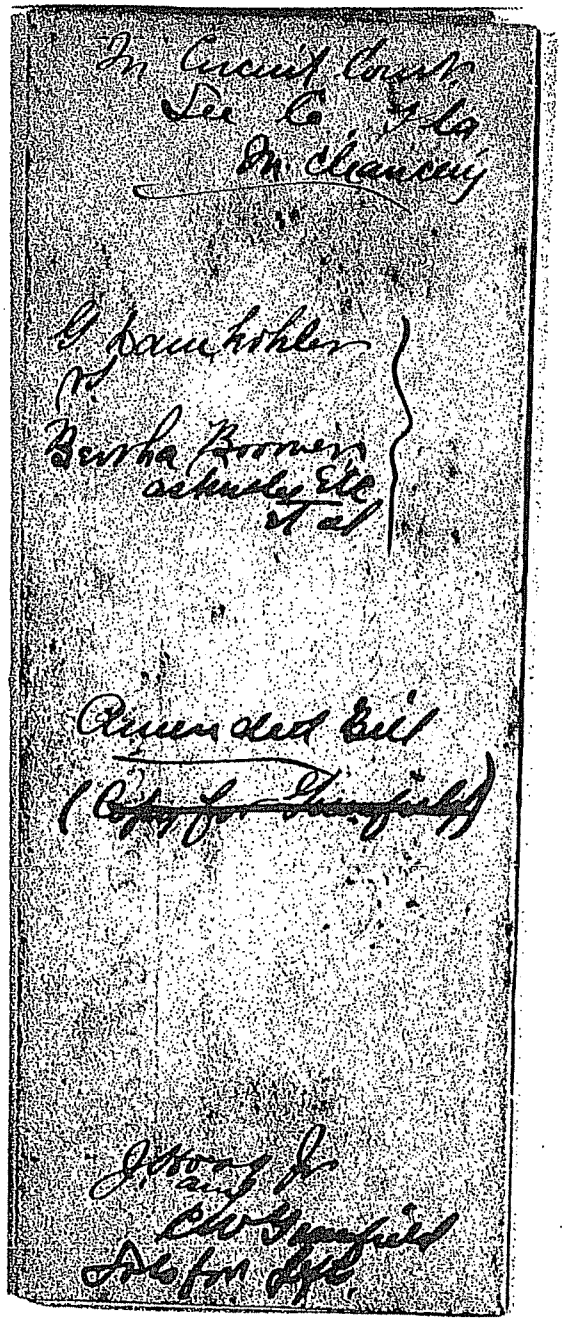
The Circuit Court
6th Judicial Circuit
Leon County Fla

Gustave Dannheller
vs
The Hernando County } Bill to Set aside Deed &c

I Louis A Strudwick Solicitor for Complainant in the Above entitled Cause Hereby Certify that I have on this the 6th day of July A.D. 1874 delivered to Jonathan Long one of defendants attys, a writing true and due notice that I will present to his Honor Barnas Phillips Judge of the Above Court at Tampa Fla at 10 Oclock AM on Monday the 12th day of July A.D. 1874 the Amendment filed herein (mailing) from this date Thereof.

Louis A Strudwick

Complainants Solicitor


In Circuit Court
De Co. of Ida
Dr. Chancery

G. Bauchhahn
vs.
Bertha Bauer
Schmidt, Etc
et al

Clerk's Office

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY.

Gustave Damkohler,
Complainant,

VS

Mrs. Bertha Boomer as Trustee of the Koreshan Unity, Mrs. Annie G. Ordway, joined by her husband George Ordway, as Trustee of the Koreshan Unity, and Cyrus R. Teed, the Head agent and Founder of the said Koreshan Unity, of the County of Cook, State of Illinois.

Bill to set aside deeds, etc.

To the Honorable Barron Phillips, Judge of the Circuit Court Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for the County of Lee, in Chancery sitting:

Amended Bill:

Gustave Damkohler, a citizen of the county of Lee, State of Florida, brings this his bill of complaint against Mrs. Bertha Boomer, as Trustee of the Koreshan Unity, a Political and religious organization having its principal place of business in the county of Cook, State of Illinois, and having a Branch at Estero, in the county of Lee, State of Florida, and against Mrs. Annie G. Ordway (joined by her husband George Ordway), who is a resident of Lee county, Florida, as Trustee of the said Koreshan Unity, and against, Cyrus R. Teed, who is a resident of the county of Cook, State of Illinois, and who is the head agent and founder of the said Koreshan Unity, and thereupon your orator complains and says:

That prior to and until the 10th day of February, A. D. 1894, he was the owner in fee of three hundred and twenty acres of land in the county of Lee and State of Florida, with improvements thereon consisting of a small house and clearing and some trees planted thereon, that said property was of the value of $6000.00.

Your orator shows unto your honor that he is sixty four years of age and very feeble both in mind and in body and has been for the past ten years: that he lived upon the said tract of land with his only son, Elvin Damkohler, having lost his wife and three children who are buried upon the said tract of land.

Your orator shows and represents unto your honor that since the death of his wife and his three children as aforesaid, which occurred about ten years ago, his mind has been more or less unbalanced, and very much impaired and he has ever since this most lamentable occurrance been subject to intervals of great despondency verging upon insanity.

Your orator would respectfully show unto your honor that it was while in this state and condition that he met and became acquainted with the defendants, who represented to your orator that they were the chosen children of God, that Cyrus R. Teed was the Messiah, the Savior, the Great Jehovah, and that they were going to build a great city, the city of the new Jerusalem, at Estero, Lee county, Florida, a plan of the said city being hereto attached and marked "Exhibit D".

And your orator further shows, unto your honor that the defendants began systamatically to exert an undue influence upon your Orator, and did exert such an influence upon your orator, so that they may thereby defraud your orator of his entire property, and that so great an influence was exerted over him by the defendants, that he firmly believed that Cyrus R. Teed was in fact and in truth the Messiah, the Lord, the Great Jehovah, and the Messenger of the Covenant, and that they were going to build a great city, the city of the New Jerusalem, at Estero, Lee County, Florida, and that the New Dispensation was at hand. That they with one accord brought to bear all their combined effort and influence in order to make your orator believe that Cyrus R. Teed was in fact, Elijah, the Lord, the Messenger of the Covenant and the Great Jehovah.

And your orator further shows unto your honor, that while he was completely under the control of defendants and while he was laboring under a great strain of religious enthusiasm superinduced by the defendants, whom your orator shows unto your honor took advantage of your orator's weakness and mental condition, and with the intent to defraud your orator, of his property, caused your orator on the 10th day of January, 1894, to convey to one of their number, viz: Mrs. Bertha Boomer, in trust for the Koreshan Unity, all the Following described real estate, to-wit:

The S W ¼ of Sec. 28, and the N W ¼ of the N E ¼ of Sec. 33, Tp. 46 S of R. 25 E: the N E ¼ of the N W ¼, Sec. 33, Tp. 46 S of R. 25 E : the west ½ of the S E ¼ and the S ½ of the N E ¼, of Sec. 28, Tp. 46 S of R. 25 E, all in the county of Lee, State of Florida, with the exception of 20 acres reserved for his son Elvin. That, subsequently, to-wit, on the 29th of Nov. 1894, and while your orator was completely under their control, they caused your orator to convey to another of their number, viz: Mrs. Annie C. Ordway, in trust for the Koreshan Unity, the 20 acres reserved as aforesaid for your orator's son Elvin, and described as follows, to-wit: The W ½ of the N W ¼ of the N E ¼ Sec. 33, Tp. 46 S of R. 25 E, Lee county Florida, both of the aforesaid deeds of conveyance being hereto attached and marked respectively, "A" and "B".

Your orator further shows unto your honor that at the time of the execution and delivery of the deeds hereto attached and marked "ExhibitA", that there was a mortgage indebtedness on the said tract of land amounting to $200.00, and that the defendants paid off and satisfied the same.

Your orator further shows unto your honor that he has tendered to the defendant the sum of $200.00 with the interest thereon and that they have refused to accept the same and that your orator has deposited the said sum into the registry

of the court for them and hereby tenders to them the same. See Clerk's receipt ~~hereto attached~~, and marked "Exhibit C", and hereto attached.

And your orator shows unto your honor that so great an influence was brought to bear upon your orator, whose mind was already weak and impaired, by the combined efforts of the defendants that his mind was completely carried away and that he fully believed all they told him was true and that under this belief he was induced to and gave his land believing at the time he was giving to God:.

Your orator further shows unto your honor that at the time he executed the aforesaid deeds of conveyance that he was insane and incapable of realizing what he was doing and that the defendants took advantage of your orator's mental condition and have defrauded him of his property, ~~and with the intention of defrauding him of his entire property~~.

And your orator shows that there was no consideration paid by the defendants or anyone one for them to your orator for all of the aforesaid property save the aforesaid debt of $200.00 which your orator hereby tenders to them.

And your orator well hoped that the defendants would under the circumstances and for the aforesaid reasons have reconveyed to your orator by proper deed of conveyance all of the aforesaid land with the appertenances thereunto belonging, but now so it is that they the defendants pretend that they acquired the land from your orator fairly and honestly and without any undue influence: that they paid to your orator a valuable consideration for the same: that your orator was of sound mind and knew what he was doing and was capable of attending to his business: Whereas your orator charges the contrary to be true and that the said deeds of conveyance for the reasons aforesaid should be declared null and void by this honorable court.

All of which actings and doings are contrary to equity and good conscience and tend to the manifest wrong, injury, and oppression of your orator in the premises.

In tender consideration whereof and forasmuch as your orator is remediless in the premises at and by the strict rules of the common law and is relievable only in a court of equity where matters of this nature are relievable and cognizable.

To the end thereof that the defendant Mrs. Bertha Boomer as trustee of the Koreshan Unity, and Mrs. Annie G. Ordway (joined by her husband George Ordway) as trustee of the said Koreshan Unity, and Cyrus R. Teed, the head agent and founder of the Koreshan Unity, may to the utmost of their respective knowledge, remembrance, information, and belief, full, true, direct, and perfect answer make to all and singular the matters aforesaid, and that as fully and correctly as if the same were hereby repeated, but not under oath, the oath being hereby waived, and that they and every one of them directly interrogated thereto.

And that the aforesaid deeds of conveyance so made by your orator to the defendants, Mrs. Bertha Boomer and Mrs. Annie G. Ordway, in trust, may for the reasons aforesaid be set aside and be declared null and void, and that your orator may have

any other and further relief in the premises as to your honor may seem just and equitable.

May it please your honor to grant unto your orator a writ of subpoena directed to the defendants Mrs. Bertha Boomer and Mrs. Annie O. Ordway (joined by her husband George Ordway) as trustee aforesadd, and to Cyrus R. Teed, the head, agent, or founder of the Koreshan Unity, thereby commanding them at a certain time and under a certain penalty therein named, to be and to appear before this honprable court then and there to answer this bill truly, fully, and directly and perfectly to all and singular the premises and further to stand to, perform and abide such further order, direction, and decree as to this honorable court shall seem meet and just and your Orator will ever pray.

Louis A. Hendry

Counsel for Complainant.

Exhibits hereto attached.
Jonesville, Fla.
Dec. 30 1905

In the Circuit Court
Lee County, Fla.
In Chancery

E. Baumbohler
vs
K. Nunley

Answer and
ruling upon Exceptions
Filed July 5th
1899 W. M. Evans
Clk

C. M. Greenfield
Solr. for Plff.

In the County Court
In & for Polk Co. Fla.
In Chancery

C. Saunders
A. L. Mabry Etal
Complainants

vs.

Bill for Injunction

Complainants Bill of Complaint filed in the Clerks office of this Court on the 18th day of May A.D. 1887.

Subpoena issued May 18th 1887 returnable to the June Term A.D. 1887 of this Court.

Subpoena returned executed as to Defendant Mabry and not executed as to Defendant Lawrence.

Solicitor for Complainants

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY.

Gustave Dankohler,
Complainant,

vs:

Bill to set aside deed and other Relief.

Annie C. Ordway, et al.,
Defendants:

Now on this the 8th day of July, 1907, come the defendants in the above entitled cause, by their Solicitor Jonathan Hoag, Jr., and after leave of the court first had and obtained, amends the demurrer filed in this cause on the rule day in July, 1907, by adding the following:

"

State of Florida,
Lee County:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Jonathan Hoag, Jr., wh after being duly sworn says: That he is the solicitor for the defendants in the above entitled cause, and that the demurrer interposed by him as such solicitor, on the rule day in July, 1907, was not interposed for the sake of delay:

Jonathan Hoag Jr

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on this the 8th day of

July, A. D. 1907.

W M Ordway

Clerk.

"

Jonathan Hoag, Jr
Sol. for Defts

The foregoing demurrer is sustained. The bill seeks to set aside two deeds on different tracts of lands executed by complt to different grantees the covenants and conditions being different in each deed. 2nd If the complainant desires to set aside the deed or deeds on the ground of fraudulent representations of the grantors he must do equity before he asks for equity by paying into the registry of the court what he received from the grantees. 3rd If complainant claims a lien on the lands described in the bill he should state the title of respondents which must constitute a part of the bill if he intends to request a recovery for damages or for other relief in this suit. Complainant is allowed to amend his bill. Misjoinder or non-joinder of parties must be taken advantage of by plea. If there are plea points to the bill but the

only objection is that one of the parties has not been served with process which cannot be taken advantage of by demurrer as this demurrer is general and the court treats it as made on the part of all the respondents and these must stand or be treated as having waived service.

Done and ordered at Chambers Invercargill this 12th day of July A.D. 1997.

Dennis Phillips

Judge

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY:

C. Dankohler,

VS:

Annie C. Ordway, et al:

Bill to set aside deeds, etc.

Demurrer:

Now come the defendants in the above styled cause, by their Attorneys, Jonathan Hoag, Jr., and Charles W. Greenfield, and demur to the Bill of Complaint filed herein, and say that the same is insufficient in law to be replied unto, wherefore sgn

Charles W. Greenfield

Jonathan Hoag Jr.

Solicitors for Defendants

And for grounds of Demurrer, say:

First: That the said Bill of Complaint presents no cause of action in that the said Bill seeks relief upon the ground of certain representations alleged to have been made by the defendants, and alleged by the complainant to be false, the said Bill showing upon the face of it that they are of such immaterial nature that they cannot be inquired into in a court of Equity, they being but expositions of a speculative religious philosophy.

Second: And defendants demurrer to the said Bill and say that they should not be required to plead to the same tidi Geo. Ordway, who is made a party defendant to the bill, regularly, and who is alleged to be within the Jurisdiction of the court, for no process has been made against him.

Third: And defendants further demur to that part of the said Bill on page 7, that seeks relief for labor done and performed for the defendants by the complainant because the complainant has full relief in a court of law.

Charles W. Greenfield

Jonathan Hoag Jr.

Solicitors for Defendants.

I certify that in my opinion the foregoing demurrer is well founded in point of law.

Jonathan Hoag Jr.

One of the Solicitors for Defendant.

State of Florida,
Lee County:

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Jonathan Hoag, Jr., who after being duly sworn, says that he is one of the Solicitors for the defendants in the above cause, and that the foregoing demurrer is not interposed for the sake of delay.

Jonathan Hoag Jr.

In the Circuit Ct.
Lee County, Fla.
In Chancery.

L. Kaufmohler
vs
A. S. Wadsworth et al.

Agreement of
Counsel.
Filed Sept 25
1897
Wm M Hendry
Clk

C. A. Cuttfield,
and
Jona. Bourdon
Atty for Defts.

In the Circuit Court,
In the Judicial Circuit
in and for Lee County
State of Florida.
In Chancery

~~Peter Wahl et al~~

Gustav Danckhler
vs
Mrs. Bertha Kanner
et al

} Bill to set aside deed.
~~and others~~

It is hereby agreed between the counsel for the Complainant and the Counsel for the defendants in the above styled cause that the defendants have until September 20th, 1897 in which to file a ~~demurrer~~, plea, or answer to the last amended bill filed in this cause, and that no decree pro confesso shall be entered for failure to file the said demurrer, plea or answer in the meantime in September, 1897

It is further agreed that in case the defendants fail to Plea or answer before or upon the said 25th of Sept 1897 that the Complainant may in the hereby authorized to enter a Decree Pro Confesso in said Cause Nunc Pro Tunc as of the 6th day of Sept A.D. 1897

Agreed to and accepted on this the 6th day of September, 1897.

Solicitors for Com,

Joyce Kean & Joyce
Solrs for Defts.

Louis Crenshaw
Com'r for Comp

In the Circuit
Court. Lee Co.
Fla.

Bill
By Chancery
Ty Chamberlain
vs
R.R. Ted et al.

Bill to set
aside deed
obj to Commissioner
Jurisdiction

Filed Feby
26/1898
J.M. McKinney
Clk

Clo Gunby & Cary
Jonathan Brady Jr
Sols for Plff.

In the Circuit Court, Sixth Judicial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, In Chancery.

C. Damkohler

vs Bill to set aside Deed.

C. R. Teed, et al.,

Now comes thr above named defendants, by their attorneys C. W. Greenfield and Jonathan Hoag, Jr., and maked the following objections to the interrogatiries propounded by the plaintiff to Harriet F. Wright, , Jessie E. Duncan, and A. K. Cornwall., all of Denver, Colorado, and material witnesses for the plaintiff.

To the interrogatories propounded to Harriet F. Wright, defendants object as follows: and 7th
Defendants object to the 5th and 6th Interrogatories propoumded to the witness on the ground that the same seek to elicit irrelevant, improper, and immaterial testimony.
Defendants object to the 8th interrogatory un the ground that the same seeks to elicit irrelevant, improper, and secondary testimony.
Defendants object to interrogatories 10th to 14th inclusive, upon the ground that the same seek to elicit improper, irrelevant, and inadmissible testimony, to prove the issues joined.
Defendants object to the 15th interrogatory same as last above, and upon the ground that the question seeks an answer of the witness upon a matter concerning which she c an have no knowledge competant for the court to consider, and upon the rount that the questioh seeks information upon a matter that cannot be considered by the court in the adjudicqtion of this cause.
Defendants object to the 16th interrogatory propounded to the witness on the ground that there is no limitation as to when these allegations were made, if any.
Defendants object to the 17th and 18th interrogatories, upon the ground that the same are vague and indefinite, not confined to the knowledge of the witness, and seek to elicit irrelevant, improper, and inadmissible testimony.
Defendants object to the 19th interrogatory same as above.
Defendants object to interrogatories 20th to 24th inclusive upon the ground that the same are not in impeachment of the testimony of the defendants therein named, in this cause, the said defendants not having testified.
Defendants object to the 25th interrogatory on the ground that the same seeks to elicit irrelevant, improper, and inadmissible testimony, on the ground that it seeks the mere opinion of the witness upon matters irrelevant to the issues joined, and upon a matter which is in itself a mere opinion of others.

Defendants make the following objections to the interrogatories propounded to the witnesses Jessie E. Dumars and A. K. Cornwall.

Defendants object to the 3rd to the IIth interrogatories inclusive on the ground that the same seek to elicit irrelevant, improper, and inadmissible testimony, and on the ground that the same are not in impeachment of any testimony offered by the defendants named therein.

Defendants object to the I2th interrogatory propounded by the witness on the ground that the same seeks to elicit improper, irrelevant, and inadmissible testimony.

~~Defendants propound the following Cross-Interrogatories to the above named witnesses:-~~

~~1st Interrogatory:-~~

D.W. Greenfield
and
Smith and Cross
Solicitors for Defendnts.

In Circuit
Lee County Fla.

G. Saunderlin
vs.
Nicholas Nooney.

Motion for Judgment
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1898
W. M. Hendry
Clk

In the Circuit Cort, Sixth Juducial Circuit, in and for Lee County, State of Florida, IN CHANCERY.

Gustave Damkohler,
Complai ant,

Bill to set aside deed.

VS

Cyrus R. Teed, et al.,
Defendants.

Motion for further time for the taking Of Testimony.

Now comes the defendants in the above entitled cause, by their Solicitors, Jonathan Hoag, Jr., and Charles W. Greenfield, and moves the judge of the above named court to extend the time for the taking of testimony in this cause till March 10th, 1898, the time for the taking of said testimony having expired by law under Rule 71, of the Practice of Circuit Courts in Suits In Equity, on February 2nd, 1898.

Upon the following grounds.

Because the complainant did not begin the taking of any of his testimony till nearly two months after the cause was at issue, and and defendants' attorney, Jonathan Hoag, Jr., has not known till a feww days ago what defendants woudd be called upon to prove, and defendants, and their attorney, Chas. W. Greenfield, being non-residents of the state of Florida, to-wit, of Chicago, Ill., has had no opportunity to confer with defendants, or their attorney, C. W. Greenfield, as to the witnesses or testimony required by the defendants., defendants' witnesses also being non-residents.

Because Jonathan Hoag, Jr., the acting attorney for the defendants in Lee County, Fla., by reason of sickness and death in his family has been incapacitated to properly attend to legal matters, and to the taking of te timony in this case.

C W. Greenfield

Jonathan Hoag Jr

Attys for Defendants.

State of Florida
Lee County:-

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Jonathan Hoag, Jr., who after being duly sworn says that he is one of the duly authorized attorneys for the defendants in the above entitled cause: that the above motion is made in good faith and not for the sake of delay.

Jonathan Hoag Jr

Sworn to & subscribed before me on this 1st of Feb, 1898.

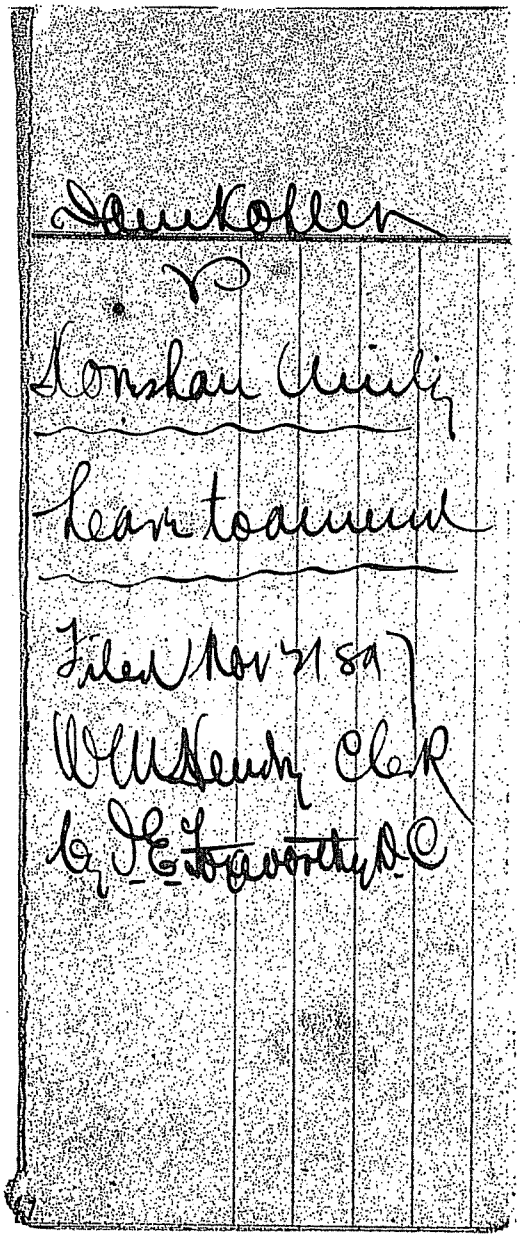
W H Kinsey
Clerk

In Order of Court
Upon consideration of the foregoing motion

the same is granted and the time for taking testimony in said case is extended until the 15th of March A D 1898.

Done and ordered at Chambers Tampa Florida on this the 14th day of March A D 1898.

Emmon Phillips
Judge



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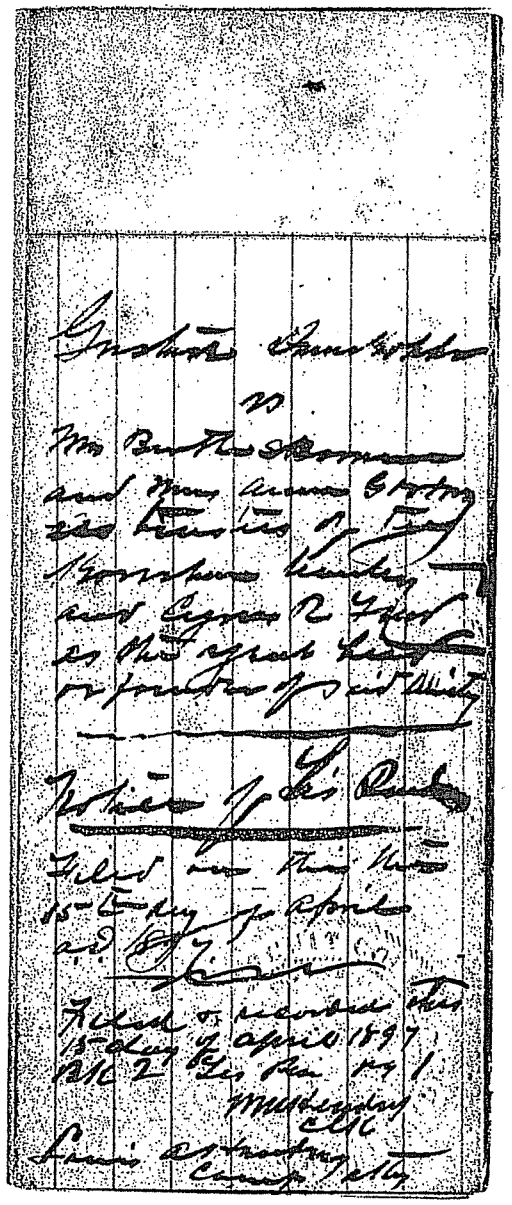
Gustave Dambacher

vs

Mrs Bertha Boomm et al

In sustaining the demurrer to complainants Amended Bill the right to amend is hereby granted to the Complainant. Tampa Florida Aug. 26th A.D. 1897.

Barron Phillips
Judge



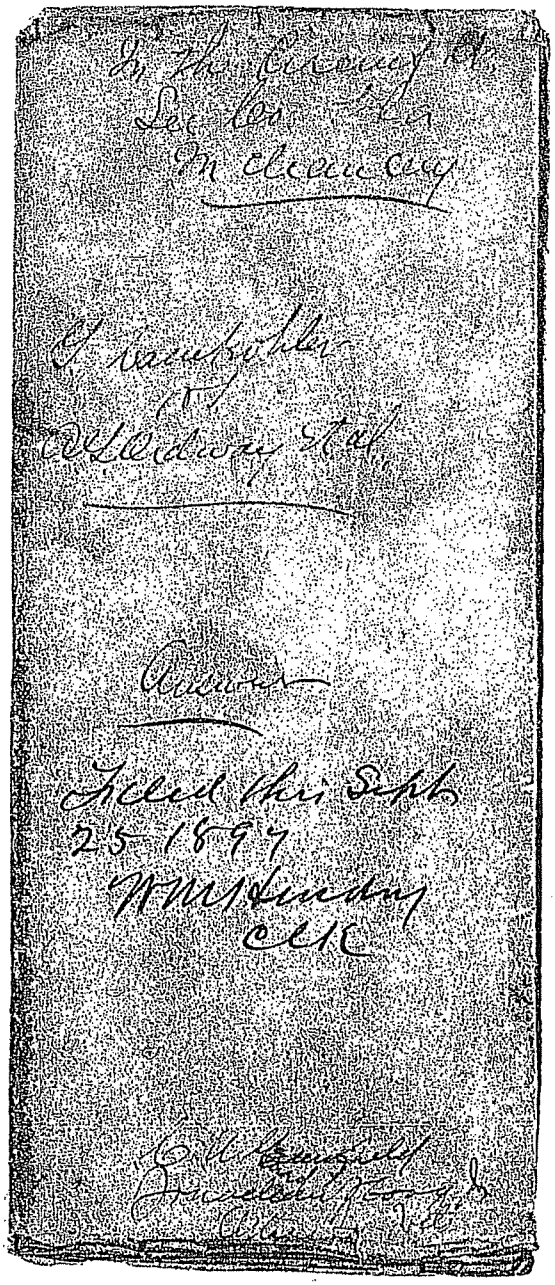
In Circuit Court
6th Judicial Ct
In and for Lee Co
State of Florida

Notice is hereby given that
Gustave A Danckwardt Complainant has
this 15th day of April A.D. 1927
instituted a suit in
the Circuit Court against Mrs
Bertha B Brown as Trustee
of the Shoreham Land Co
Lee County - The and against
Mrs Annie C Ordway as Trustee
of the said Shoreham Land Co
a citizen of Kansas Lee Co Fla
Jane in her Individual Ca
pacity a citizen of Chicago
Illinois and against Cyrus
R Gast the assistant Secretary
of the said Shoreham
Land Co, said Land Co being a
religious and Benificial organization
having its last or principal
place of business in the County
Cook and State of Illinois for
the purpose of setting aside, Cancel
deed & conveyance or of declaring
said deed void. The property represented
by the above deed of conveyance being
described as follows = The South
half of the South West Quarter of
Section 28, TP 46 South of Range

25 East, and the north west 1/4
of the North East 1/4 of Section
33 T 46 North of Range 25 East
The West half of the South East
Quarter of Section 28 T 46 North
of Range 25 East. and the South
half of the north East Quarter
of Section 28 T 46 North of Range
25 East and the North East 1/4
of the north west Quarter of
Section 33 T 46 North of
Range 25 East containing three
hundred and twenty acres.
The said deed of conveyance
bought & sold & sale was made
by Mrs Ruthen Brown in trust
for the Yamhill County and to
Mrs Simon G. Reed by trustee
in trust for the said Yamhill
county; this the 15th day of April
A.D. 1897

Simon Attorney

Trust Atty



In the Circuit Court, 6th Judicial Circuit, Lee County, Florida.

Gustave Damkohler,

vs.

Mrs. Bertha Boomer, as Trustee of the Koreshan Unity, Mrs. Annie G. Ordway, as Trustee of the Koreshan Unity, and Cyrus R. Teed.

The joint and several answer of the said above named defendants to the amended bill of complaint of Gustave Damkohler, complainant.

These defendants now and at all times hereafter saving and reserving unto themselves and each of them, all benefit and advantage of exception or otherwise, that can or may be had or taken to the many errors, uncertainties and other imperfecions in the said bill contained, for answer thereto or to so much or such parts thereof as these defendants are advised it is or are material or necessary for them or any of them to make answer unto, these defendants severally answering say:

They admit that the complainant, Gustave Damkohler, is a citizen of the County of Lee and State of Florida, and that the Koreshan Unity is a religous society or organization having its principal community or center in Cook County, Illinois, and a branch thereof at Estero, Lee County, Florida; and these defendants say that said Koreshan Unity consists of numerous persons residing in different states, as well as in said County of Lee and State of Florida, numbering several hundred, of the same religous belief, who are voluntarily associated together for the purpose of teaching and spreading the religous views and doctrines entertained by them,

and they and their associatesare known as Koreshans, but the defendants and their associates have never been legally organized or incorporated in such form under the laws of the State of Florida or any other state of the United States. They admit that they are at present residents of the County of Cook and State of Illinois and that the defendant Cyrus R. Teed is the founder and originator of said religous doctrine above referred to, which is known among its adherents as Koreshanity; but deny that George Ordway is the husband of Annie G. Ordway. They admit that prior to the 29th day of January, 1894, the complainant was the owner in fee simple of the certain tract of real estate in the said amended bill described, but they say that the title thereto was still retained and held by the complainant, and the same was not conveyed as in said bill alleged, for many months after said 29th day of January, A. D. 1894. They admit that the complainant and his son resided on said land, but deny that he had a house or any improvements thereon of any value whatever, and deny that the property was of the value of two thousand dollars ($2000.00), or that it was worth at that time or at the time conveyance was subsequently made, to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00). And they say that whenever the same was offered for sale by the complainant prior to said conveyance thereof, the same was offered by him at the price of ten dollars ($10.) per acre.

Further answering these defendants say that they have no knowledge as to the age of the complainant, but deny that he is very infirm, both in mind and in body, as in said bill alleged, or that his mind from any cause has ever become weak or impaired or verging upon insanity, as in said amended bill alleged.

Further answering these defendants say that some time in the month of October, A. D. 1893, these defendants, who were at

that time and still are residents of Cook County, Illinois, went to the State of Florida for the purpose of examining an island known as Pine Island, and located in the said County of Lee, with a view to purchasing the same for the purpose of establishing there on a colony or community of persons who are believers in and followers of the said religous system, intending thereby to spread and extend the doctrines of said Koreshan religion and establish the foundations for a commercial, center in that locality; and that upon their return to Chicago they received from the complainant a letter, in which he stated in substance that he had learned incidentaly of the visit of these defendants to said State of Florida, and the purpose and object of their said visit. He further stated that he, himself, was the owner of a certain tract of land in said Lee County, and also urgently requested these defendants to come and see him and examine the said property before purchasing or even looking for property elsewhere; that he had learned some what of the defendants and their religous system and desired more information with reference thereto, and was extremely anxious to have the defendants locate, either upon his said land or in the vicinity in order that the said religous system might be established in that community; that the envelope in which said letter was enclosed to these defendants, contained inscriptions indicating that the complainant was a believer in, or was to some extent acquainted with, the views and doctrines of a certain religous sect, commonly known as restitutionists, and of which one C. T. Russell, of Allegany, Pennsylvania, is a recognized leader, and which said religous system has many principles and doctrines in common with the religous science of these defendants. And the complainant further stated in said letter that if his said property was not located in a place which might seem desirable and suitable to these defendants, that

on account of their apparently common religous interests and belief he would gladly extend to them all the assistance within his power in finding a suitable locality, and that any service he could render them in that regard would be rendered freely and gratuitously; and he further assured them that he was well acquainted with the country surrounding his said property, and was in a position to advise and assist the defendants in accomplishing the desired purpose. That upon receipt of the said letter, the same was answered by these defendants, or one of them, stating some of the general beliefs or principles upon which said Koreshan religion is founded, and subsequently a second letter was received from the complainant, in which he enclosed a diagram representing the land to which he had referred in his former letter and other adjoining land, and renewed his urgent request to these defendants to again visit Florida, and to see him before they saw any one else with reference to a location. That subsequently and in the latter part of December, A. D. 1893, these defendants again went to Florida for the purpose of pursuing their said investigations further, but without notifying the complainant of their intended visit and without any further communications with him. That upon their arrival at Punta Rassa and upon the same or the following day, and before the defendants had made any inquiry or any attempt whatever to locate the complainant, the complainant sought out these defendants and urgently solicited and importuned them to go with him to his said property, and urged and insisted that they do so at once without seeing any agent or dealer in real estate, and after the second or third day these defendants yeilded to the said request of the complainant and accompanied him to the said property; that the said defendants found that said property consisted almost entirely of wild and unimproved land, the only building thereon being a

small, low cottage, consisting of but one room with a ladder leading to an attic, and a small cabbage shanty without any floor; that perhaps an acre of ground had been partially cleared and planted with a few trees, and the whole of said improvements, including the buildings, clearing and trees, did not exceed in value seventy five (75) dollars; and that the complainant and his son were living alone upon said property with every evidence of the utmost poverty, and with little or no indication that the complainant or his son were supplied with the most common and ordinary necessaries of life.

Further answering these defendants say that from the time the complainant first sought them out and made himself known to them at Punta Rassa, the complainant asked numerous questions of all these defendants as to their religion and the principles upon which the same is founded, and had several conversations and discussions with the defendant, Mrs. Bertha Boomer, with reference to the doctrines of restitution as advanced by C. T. Russell, hereinbefore referred to, and especially with reference to two certain publications by said Russell, entitled "The Millieniel Dawn", which had theretofore been studied and read by both the complainant and said defendant; that the complainant and said defendant discussed and compared their views with reference to said publications and the principles therein announced, and the same were by them compared with the principles and teachings of said Koreshan religion; but these defendants say that no effort whatever was made by them or any of them to induce the complainant to accept or adopt the religous views of these defendants, and the complainant was never at any time asked or importuned by these defendants or any of them to join them or co-operate with them in their said religous work, or in any other way, and the complainant was never at any time asked to give or contribute anything to these defendants or their said

cause, but on the contrary thereof, everything that was said or done by them, was brought out in response to the most persistant inquiries of the complainant.

Further answering these defendants say that at about the time the complainant first made himself known to them, one or more informal meetings were held, at which the complainant was present, and at which these defendants stated and explained publicly to all who were present, and in a general way, the principles upon which their religion was founded, and explained in a general way the nature and extent of their beliefs and claims; that at such public meetings and in all conversations which took pl ace between these defendants and the complainant upon the subject of religion, these defendants stated in substance that they hold to the doctrines of re-incarnation, which they believed to be identical to the resurrec tion of the dead; that they maintained that people who live in the world to-day are the same who lived at the beginning of the Christain age, and that the resurrection is the awakening to a conscious knowledge of identity; that the Lord Jesus Christ was the Son of God, and being the Son of God, was God's offspring, and therefore, the express image of God's person, and that in him all fullness dwelt, as the Scripture declares, that he being the Son of God and God's own offspring and a man, it therefore follows that God is the man, and that the man, the Lord Jesus Christ, is the Lord God; that the Lord in passing away in the presence of his desciples, did so by a process of rapid combustion, which burned up his body and reduced it to spiritual energy called the Holy Spirit or the Holy Ghost, and that this Spirit, the substance of the Lord's body, was absorbed by those who received the Holy Ghost; that by this method the Lord was absorbed by the Church, and that through such absorption the desciples fullfiled the Lord's saying, who so

eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood,hath eternal life,and I will raise him up at the last day, i.e., re-incarnate him at the last day: that the Holy Spirit was the seminal essence of Deity, and that as such the Holy Spirit or Ghost contained the Germs of reproduction or regeneration. The shedding of the Holy Spirit was the planting of the Holy seed in the race, i.e., in the Church,and became of this planting the Son of God in the race. The Sons of God will come forth at the end of the age, now at hand as much the offspring of Deity as was the Lord himself. "To all who believe in his name gives he power to become the Sons of God." That it is a part of the belief and teachings of the said religion,and these defendants claim that the understanding of these doctrines of the Scriptures as by them promulgated, are the only true interpretations, and that the defendant, Cyrus R. Teed, was the first to know them, and that he is called of God and divinely authorized to teach them, and that by virtue of this fact the Spirit of truth actuates him, and that this Spirit of truth is the Spirit of God, and that said defendant is a Messenger of the Covenant prophetically declared to usher in the Kingdom of Righteousness; but these defendants deny that they, or either of them, either privately or publicly in the hearing of the complainant ever laid any special stress as to the claims of the said defendant, Cyrus R. Teed' but the same were announced as above stated, as a part of the doctrine of the said religion; and these defendants say that the foregoing statement made to and in the hearing of the complainant with reference to their said religious belief, were made in the utmost good faith, and merely for the purpose of spreading and

promulgating their said doctrine, and they deny that they ever at any time took any advantage of any supposed weakness, mental or otherwise on the part of the complainant, for the purpose of defrauding him out of any of his property.

Further answering, these defendants say that after the complainant became further acquainted with the religious views and doctrines of the defendants, as hereinbefore stated, the complainant voluntarily and unsolicited stated to these defendants that his studies and thoughts for the past years had been along the line of the ideas and principles of Koreshanity as they had then been declared by these defendants, and he thereupon expressed his desire to become a member of their said religious society, and to co-operate with them in their undertakings, and persisted in not only devoting his time and energies to the cause, but in dedicating all his property as well to the advancement of the cause represented by these defendants; that thereupon these defendants made known and explained to the complainant, that in order to join their said religious society, and become a member thereof, it would be necessary for him to turn over to the society all his property; that under the rules governing said society, all property was held and enjoyed in common by the members thereof, and as these defendants now remember the articles of agreement, which are subscribed to by all persons joining said religious society, and a copy of which is hereto attached, marked Exhibit "A", and made a part of this answer, was furnished to the complainant, and the same was carefully read over by him, and the contents and the import thereof was fully explained to him by these defendants, and

the complainant was also advised that no person was ever permitted to join the said society until all his debts and obligations had been fully paid and discharged, and it was thereupon agreed between the complainant and these defendants representing said Koreshan Society, that they would pay all his debts and obligations amounting to the sum of Three Hundred ($300.) Dollars, or thereabouts, preparatory to his joining the said society, which they afterwards did. That afterwards, and in consideration of the payment of said sum of Three Hundred Dollars so paid as aforesaid, and other valuable considerations, and as a part of the process and arrangement, whereby complainant should become a member of said Koreshan Society, complainant did,on or about the 29th day of January, A. D. 1894, convey to the defendant, Bertha Boomer, in trust for said society certain lands in said Lee County,adjoining said tract of land in said Bill of Complaint described, which conveyance was made subject to certain conditions and restrictions, therein contained, and certain agreements then and there made., and as a part of the said transaction, the complainant became a member of said Koreshan Society, entitled to all the rights and privileges of these defendants, and the several members of said religious society as expressed in said Article, marked Exhibit "A".

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22 Further answering these defendants say, that they admit that they met the complainant about the first of January, A. D. 1894 in the manner, and under the circumstances hereinbefore stated, but they deny that they falsely represented to the complainant that they were the Chosen children of God, or that they falsely represented that the defendant, Cyrus R. Teed, was the Messenge

of the Covenant, as spoken of in the Bible, or that he was the Messiah, Elijah, the God, and that the new dispensation was at hand; they admit that at different times during their acquaintance with the complainant, they did represent to him that they were going to build a great City at Estero, as in said Bill alleged, but they deny that they ever represented to himthat Exhibit "B" mentioned in said amended Bill was a plan of the said proposed City; they deny that they exercised great influenceover the complainant by any falserepresentations, or that they brought to bear on the complainant all the power in their command, or any power in order to gain control of the complainant, with the intention of defrauding him of any of his property, and deny that they ever at any time had any intention or desire whatevr to defraud the complainant of any of his property; they deny that any influence was brought to bear upon the complainant for the purpose of defrauding him of his property,and they deny that the complainant was in any sense under their control, or under the control of any or either of them, or that he was under a great mental strain of religious enthusiasm brought on by these defendants, or any of them for the purpose of defrauding the complainant of his property at the time said conveyance was made, or that they induced, or attempted to induce him to make said conveyance, but on the contrary thereof they say that said conveyance was wholly voluntary on the part of the complainant at the time the same was made, and done wholly at his suggestion, and without any requests on the part of the defendants, or either of them; (that for nearly a year prior to the making of said conveyance the complainant had been a member of said community, and jointly and equally interested therein with

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these defendants, and each of them. That for nearly a year prior to the making of said conveyance the said Koreshan unity had owned and occupied large tracts of land adjoining and in the immediate vicinity of the land in said Bill of Complainat described, and during all that time the complainant and his said son had lived upon and shared the said proporty in common with these defendants and all other members of said Koreshan Unity, and was thoroughly acquainted and familiar with all the proposed intentions of these defendants, and the purposes to which said land, when acquired 10 would be devoted.

Further answering, these defendants deny that they, or any of them took any undue advantage of the complaina nt, or that he was misled by them or deceived by any false representations on their part. They deny that at the time of making said conveyance the complainant was mentally incapable of attending to his business, or that he was in any sense under the control of these defendants, or that they defrauded the complainant out of his said property or any property.

Further answering these defendants say that in addition to the consideration named in said conveyance, and as a part of the consideration on which said conveyance was based, it was agreed by said Annie G. Ordway and said other defendants on behalf of said Koreshan Unity, that they would, in furthr payment of said Twenty Acre tract of land, turn over and convey to said Elvin Damkohler, the son of the complainant, other property or chattels equivalent in value to the value of the said Twanty acres at the time the same was so conveyed by the complainant, at the time the said Elvin should become of age, or at such time prior or subse-

quent thereto as might be mutually agreed upon by the said parties. And these defendants say that they are still ready and willing at any time to carry out and perform said agreement, and hereby offer so to do, of which the complainant has at all times had notice. And these defendants deny that no payment for the said property has ever been made by these defendants, or anyone on their behalf, and they deny that there was no consideration for the conveyance of said land.

9 Further answering these defendants say that upon the making of said conveyance by the complainant the same was accepted by the guarantee thereof on behalf of the Community, and that immediately thereafter these defendants and their associates took possession thereof and began to occupy and improve the same; that the complainant also continued to reside upon said property, and as a member of said Community lived upon and shared said property and all the improvements thereafter made thereon in common with the defendants, and their said associates; and that with means furnished by the defendant, Bertha S. Boomer, for that purpose, extensive, valuable and lasting improvements were made upon said property, numerous buildings were erected which were occupied by the complainant and the defendants and their said associates, and portions were cleared and fitted for general tilling purposes; that said improvements so made by the defendants and their said associates extended over a period of at least three years, and that during all the time that said improvements were in progress the complainant lived upon said property, and acquiesced and co-operated in the making of the same.

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Further answering these defendants say that at the time possession was taken of said property, the same and most of the adjoining and surrounding country for miles around was wild and uninhabitable land, scarcely any portion of which had been cleared and cultivated, and unimproved property in that vicinity at that time was not worth to exceed two dollars per acre, and vast tracts of land in the immediate vicinity of the said land, and in every respect as well located could have been purchased at that time, and at that price, and if said property has increasd in value since that time, such increase has ben wholly and entirely due to the improvements made by the defendants and their associates on said land, and other land in that vicinity, and to the fact that it has become generally known that the defendants and their associates have in that vicinity established enterprises which will probably lead to the permanent establishment of a commercial center upon said property and the adjoining lands.

Further answering these defendants say that by virtue of a certain Covenant and Agreement, hereinbefore referred to, existing between the defendants and all other members of said society associating and co-operating with them in their said work, all the adherents and followers of the said religion, members of said Koreshan Unity, are all interested and owners in common of all property owned by them, or held by any memner in trust for their common benefit, but by the said Covenant and Agrement, the same is to be held forever in common, and to be dedicatd to the cause of the said Koreshan religion, and may be used and occupied and enjoyed by each member thereof in common with all the othr mem-

bers throughout his natural life, and the said complainant by virtue of the said covenant and agrement . and the arrangements pertaining thereto, is entitled to an interest in com on in said property and all the improvements thereon, and all property which has at any time been acquired for a like purpose, and is by virtue thereof entitled to a full use and occupation of the same during his natural lifetime for the purposes and under the conditions aforesaid, but not otherwise.

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Further answering these defendants deny, each and every allegation in said Bill contained, not hereinbefore fully answered, admitted or denied, and deny all and all manner of unlawful combinations and confederacy, wherewith they are by the said Bill charged, without this, that there is any other matter, cause or thing in the Complainant's said Bill contained, material or necessary for these defendants to make answer unto, and not herein and hereby well and sufficiently answered, confessed and avoided, or denied, is true to the knowledge or belief of these defendants; all which matters and things these defendants are ready and willing to aver, maintain and prove as this Honorable Court shall direct, and pray to be hence dismissed with their reasonable costs and charges in this behalf most wrongfully sustained.

Mrs.Bertha S.Boomer, Trustee,

Mrs.Annie G.Ordway, Trustee, and

Cyrus R. Teed.

By Charles W. Greenfield
and
Jonathan Hoag Jr.
Their Attorneys.

Solicitors for Defendants.

E X H I B I T A.

ARTICLE OF AGREEMENT governing the relations of the Ecclesia of the Koreshan Unity with the members of the Association.

The Ecclesia or Home of the Koreshan Unity is an association of absolute common interest in all things tolerated in the Order of the Ecclesia.

My signature at the bottom of this article indicates my agreement to fulfill the obligations taken upon myself in this relationship. I agree to turn over to the Trusteeship and Treasury of the Society Arch-Triumphant and Koreshan Unity all my property, held in my own right before entering the Ecclesia, and all property that may in any way fall to me personally; this shall include all pensions, annuities, and other incomes, from whatsoever source, and all sources of allowance. I voluntarily enter the Order, and as voluntarily commit all I have and am to the interests and promotion of the cause of Koreshanity. My performance of use shall be the property of the commonwealth, to be directed and utilized by the Order according to the appointed methods of the system. I do hereby agree to obey, in all things, the properly delegated and appointed authorities of the Order, performing cheerfully the uses assigned me. I do hereby further agree to leave the Order at the decision of its authorities when in their judgment I have violated its rules,and am regarded as no more a worthy member of its association. It shall be optional with the Order to allow me little or much, or nothing,as the Trusteeship shall judge. If I voluntarily withdraw myself from the association and cease to be a member, I will leave the matter of any gift to me from the association entirely at its discretion, holding no claim against it.

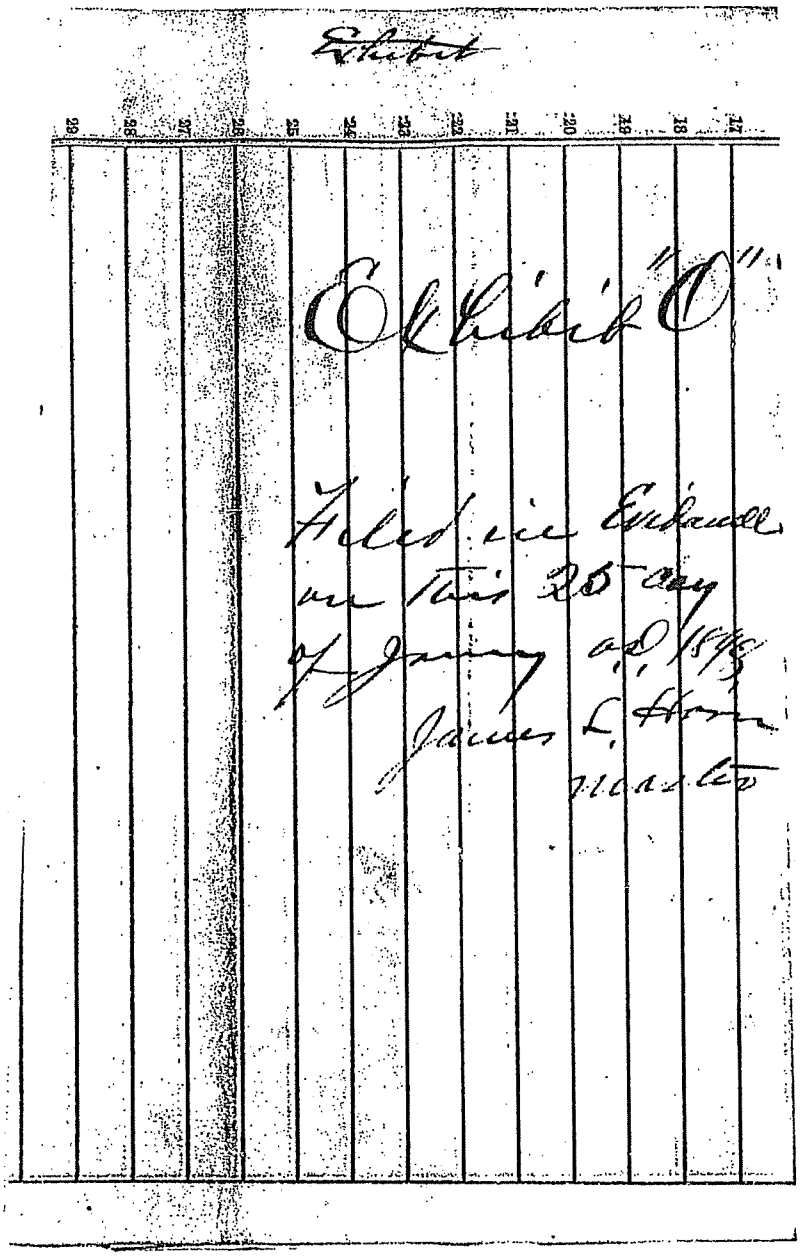
In view of the above voluntary statement, the Ecclesia of the Koreshan Unity, through its recognized Leader and trustee and its Board of Elders and Eldresses, agrees to deal justly, according to the spirit and letter of the communism of Koreshanity- not too hasty in judging of the shortcomings of its members, slow to condemn, always cognizant of the fact that the spirit is often willing when the flesh is weak, and will use just and liberal discretion in any gift or contribution it may make to a departing member. Signed by the Counselor of the Body, and the Empress of the Koreshan Unity in behalf of the Ecclesia.

And in behalf of the Person by the Undersigned.

In Ch Ct
Lee Co Fla
Gustave Dankoblen
vs
Mrs Bertha Bauer
et al

Exhibits Filed
before in the Master

Filed Mch 3/95
W. M. Hendry Clk
H. E. Foxworthy D.C.


Exhibit
"C"
Filed in Exhibit
on this 20 day
of January A.D. 1875
James L. Hamm
Clerk

Plaintiff's Exhibit

In Circuit Court of
Cherokee Judicial Circuit

Filed in Office ... Circuit Court Feb ...

Gustave Dewitzkie
vs
Wm Bittle Executor &c

The Complainant Gustave Dewitzkie upon the coming in of the answer of the defendants and finding in said answer that the said defendants are upon an agreement to the effect that as part of the consideration paid by the defendants to the complainant for the said Brindly acres (the subject of this suit) they agreed to convey to Elvira Dewitzkie at his request by the Complainant, Lot or Parcel of Land of equal value of the said 20 acres at the time of the conveyance of same by the complainant to the defendant and that they are now ready and willing to comply with said agreement, all of which is admitted by the complainant (in his answer) But as aforesaid finding in said answer said allegations is regarded by the Court as a consideration and presuming the willingness of the defendants to comply with said agreement, and decreeing the willingness of the complainant to comply with said agreement, and being willing and desirous of all due forms of Conveyance in relation with all parties interested are equitable and just bases and being also actuated by a spirit that should at all times actuate the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ (as he) is to do unto others

As Pet prays Leave Thereof do vote us,
Hereby Make the following Proposition
to the said Defendants.

1: A Committee of Arbitration or Appraisers
Consisting of Five (5) disinterested men
of good Moral Character Citizens of
the County of the State of Fla, men who
are well acquainted with the Values of
Lands in the County of Leon shall be elected
by the Complainant and the Defendant or by
their attorney: the First by the Complainant
the Second by the Defendant: the 3rd by the
Defendant, the 4th by the Complainant and the
5th by the four men so elected: the right
being hereby reserved by both the Complainant
and Defendant to object to (3) of no more
Cause that may be selected by either the
Complainant or Defendant's, and Three of Cause
to be selected at Three places in the City
as above stated. The five men so elected
shall visit the suit so come in Controversy
and fully acquainted themselves in any
way that they deem advisable of the
Value of the Lands at the time of the Con-
veyance by the Complainant to the Defendants
of the Lands and of the Value of all the Buildings
and Improvements at the Time of said Convey-
ance and for this purpose shall have power
with the discretion pertaining to this suit, and
shall be governed by the Rules of Evidence govern-
ing Juries, and shall especially reserve the
right to believe any person or disbelieve

Chas Gorman Thos Orr Sid Sis arrived
at the Value of same at the time of
said Conveyance. The Attorney of both sides
having a right to be heard in support
of the Claims of the several parties and in
behalf of their Clients. The Jury upon
a full hearing and investigation as to
fully satisfies them of the value of the said
20 acres at the time of said Conveyance
shall then report what they find to be the
value of said Exhibits at the time of
said Conveyance. Said report shall for
all purposes be considered by both the Complainant and Defendant as the verdict of a
Jury (but not subject to appeal) in favor
of the Complainant and against the Defendants.
It is further agreed that the Valuation
so found shall be satisfied by the
delivering of the Defendants to the Complainant
in fee simple a good title to any tract
of land of equal value at or near
the location of the said 20 acres the said
land to be equally as fertile, equally as
well drained and with all the advantages
natural or Artificial as is to be possessed
by the aforesaid 20 acres at the time of
the said Conveyance. The arbitrators chosen
during the pendency of this question. If for any
reason such a trade cannot be found or
for any reason the arbitrators cannot
or do not Ascertain the land so offered
by the Defendants or of equal value of the

said 20 acres at the time of the commencement and no agreement can be had in the matter of assessing said verdict with land in the place of or lieu of the said 20 acres, then it shall be obtained with the defendants to a stranger and verdict written by having the same in each or by a conveyance of the 20 acres so conveyed. If the 20 acres shall be conveyed then the defendants reserve the right to remove all timber improvements on said twenty acres made subsequent to the commencement of the defendants. They agreeing to pay in cash for any temporary instrument by the defendant on account of the destruction of fruit trees that may have been on the said 20 at the time of the commencement the same to be found by the arbitrators upon the evidence as heard. It is further understood that the arbitrators are according to any land in lieu of the 20 acres shall remember that they are dealing with Gustave Brandt of Elmira acting for Elmira Development and that they shall act with equal justice and equity towards both parties as in their judgment they should. The said arbitrators shall receive a fair per diem each for days to be actually devoted between the commencement and determination for each day necessary to such object said work. It is further agreed that a year court shall be given

to the other party

by each party of $1000.00 for the
faithful performance and acceptance
in the finding of the said arbitrators
by the said parties to this suit and
Bonds to be approved by the said
Arbitrators, and said cause to be proceeded
with in the same manner and form
as Statutes and the State of Texas.
It is further understood that this suit
now pending between the parties
Complainant and Defendant shall
proceed in the usual manner
until the Arbitrators are chosen
or selected and the bonds as to the
given and approved by the said arbitrators
The Complainant further reserves the right
unto all Examinations to amend his pleadings
as are denied when the said 20 acres
made. It is further agreed and understood
that no land shall be offered in ex-
change diminishing any part of the 320
acres decreed to the defendant by the
Complainant but in lieu of the
20 acres. The cost of Court Costs, nothing
else, except as before provided that has
accrued in the above suit until the
termination of this proceeding shall
also be equally divided between Complainant
and Defendant in case the above proceedings
is complied. L. Hanby, one behalf of Complt.

P.O Address

Dr Cyrus. R. Teed

Beth-Ophrah.

Washington Heights.

Ill.

Koreshan Unity,
BETH-OPHRAH,

Exhibit "B"
James L. Hamm
Master in Chancery

Washington Heights. Nov 18th 1898

Gustave Damkohler
Dear Sir.

Your letter addressed to Dr Cyrus. R. Teed, is at hand, and in his temporary absence, will write you to acknowledge your letter, and to say, that you are correctly informed as to our visit to St James, and its import. I wish very much that we had learned of your place, that we could have looked it over while there. We have not yet, closed any transaction, and would be pleased with a plat or plan of the.

land, whether there are any buildings upon it, other than the house you reserve, what terms of sale (the easiest) you can name, and price per acre. We have some lands offered us as a gift if we will occupy other lands adjoining, somewhere near the vicinity of Punta Rassa. We have special terms offered for St James, but as I say we have not as yet concluded where is the best place.

I feel a vein of deep sympathy go out to you, while reading of your situation, and would fain wish that you might join our religious colony, which is communistic thereby securing for your-

-self a permant home including
care and attention during
your entire life time. We
have a few German people
in our colony, and like
them much, Of course could
not expect your interest in such a
plan, unless you knew more
of us, and could accept
our religious belief. We are
celebate, and have been
in co-operative unity for five
years. We find ourselves
growing fast, and of
necessity require more room
for the present, and much
more for the future. The Dr
will visit you upon his return,
but please answer this by
return mail. as we are anxious
anxious to complete arrangements
soon enough, to have the benefit
of winter gardening. Respectfully
A. G. Ordway. Faustie

Koreshan Unity,
BETH-OPHRAH,

Exhibit "C"
Filed this 22 nd
day of Dec. 1897.
J. L. Hare
Clerk

Washington Heights Chicago Dec 23rd 1893

My Bro. Daniel Weber

Dear Sir: Your favor came promptly to our hand, but as I was absent from home could not reply personally. From what you say it looks as if you could be better provided for by being associated with our lovely people, brothers and sisters in a common bond of unity, than to continue a separate existence. This however would depend upon your own special inducements. In any event we are favorably disposed, towards your property, as we are strongly con-

contemplating a move in your direction.
Whatever negotiations we may
had will be kept entirely to yourself
for reasons of general prudential
consideration.

Please write me at once
stating the distance of your property
per cars and distance from Edens
Bay. You say the distance from
Ostrich Bay is 4 miles. Do you
mean Edens Bay?

Expecting to hear from
you soon.

Yours truly
C. R. Pratt

C. R. Pratt
Washington Heights
Cook Co. Ill.

Exhibit G

God Is In Thee.

God is in thee, and thy praise we sing!
In our sorrow thou hast found us,
Cast thy loving care around us;
God is in thee and thy praise we sing!

Sing thy praise!—Sing thy praise!
Sing thy praise through all our days!
Sing thy praise!—Sing thy praise!
God is in thee and we sing thy praise!

God is in thee, and our thanks we bring!
To our pleading thou hast harkened,
When the clouds of trouble darkened;
God is in thee and thy praise we sing!

Sing thy praise!—etc.

God is in thee, and our love we bring!
When as goods the merchants sold us,
Waiting was thy love to fold us;
God is in thee and thy praise we sing!

Sing thy praise!—etc.

God is in thee, and our thanks we bring,
That for thy work thou shouldst need us,
Come thyself to wisely lead us;
God is in thee and thy praise we sing!

Sing thy praise!—etc.

E. M. O.

Exhibit "J"
James L. Hines
Mack vs Clancy

—the prayer of all who closely follow him—in their hearts and lives;—

"O Shepherd of Israel,
Like a flock thou leadest us!
The daughters of Joseph will sing thy praise,
And the sons of thy kingdom and thine heirs
Will worship thee.
Thou art worthy to be our King,
And we rejoice in thy service:
In thee we find the God of our salvation;
And we trust in thee forever more."

If this is in heart and life, the Koreshan movement will progress mightily, and the hands of Cyrus will lay the foundations of that Holy City, the New Jerusalem, and his hands also will finish it. The sons of God will become manifest, as they always do, through human obedience to God's divinely *human* laws, and "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," will indeed become "the land of the free and the home of the brave."—*Berthaldine S. Bonner.*

It is easy to write, but hard to do it
R. S. Barnes.

The Law of Atonement.

The Flaming Sword.

"And He placed at the east of the garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life."—Gen. III. 24.

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THEOLOGY.

"THY KINGDOM COME!"

Every man, woman, and child who looks for the establishment of a righteous adjustment of human affairs upon any other basis than that of the coming of the Lord, will awake to a sad disappointment. Every person looking for the Lord's coming upon any other supposition than that of the manifestation of the tabernacle and its purification, will also awake to disappointment. The human body, wherein dwells the kingdom of divine uses, comprises the tabernacle of God. The polluted tabernacle is the human body prostituted to the sensual performances of human lust. The Lord Jesus (the two witnesses) descended into the race by the operation of the Holy Spirit,—the Spirit being the substance of his dematerialized body. By this descent He took upon himself the sins of the world, and re-appears through the process of re-embodiment, born in sin and shapen in iniquity. This is the "man of sin." When he thus appears, born of natural, sinful parents, according to the laws of the sinful flesh, he begins the operation of cleansing the sanctuary, and by such purification fulfils the Scripture: "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son." Thus the Son of man, the Son of God, will come into the world,—the Messenger of the Covenant "whom ye delight in."

One of the first lessons to be learned concerning the Lord's return to earth, is to comprehend the great truth that Peter, who received the keys of the kingdom and was given the first authority in the apostolic succession, in the re-incarnation, is the tabernacle to be purified and rejuvenated; the first to awake to the resurrection a perfect comprehension of the laws of re-incarnation, and is the authorized apostolic successor. "He that overcometh shall sit down with me in my throne, even as I overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne." When the true doctrine of re-incarnation is identified with the resurrection of the dead, and is understood and known to be the new birth, some of the difficulties and mysteries of the Lord's coming will be dissipated. The keys of knowledge were given to Peter, but he could not use them and come into apostolic succession till his new birth—the resurrection of his body. In this resurrected tabernacle, Peter will exercise his function and fulfil the injunction: "Peter, when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." This he will accomplish, being the true and only apostolic successor.

When one comes with authority, he will find it of little use to argue the question of his mission; his credentials must speak for themselves. These, with the influence of the Spirit, will distinguish the genuine Messenger from the thousands of impostors and false Christs who will come, saying, "I am Christ." The true doctrine of re-embodiment can only come through the line of the one who has demonstrated the power of theocrasia; namely, Christ the Lord. In the doctrine of Buddhism, this would be called absorption into Nirvana. Buddha did not attain to it, therefore he was a poor annunciator and revelator of the conception. Jesus, the Lord Jehovah, did reach the attainment, hence his doctrine of the resurrection of the dead, the re-incarnation unto life, and the new birth into the immortal body, must stand when all counterfeits, such as Theosophy, fail. Theosophists have identified themselves with the great harlot; they have mixed wax and eaten taffy together.

Theosophy had on the essential wedding garment of Christo-Paganism. It has entered into the common medley of religious conglomeration. Modern Christianity has found in it the essential prerequisite of an alliance which inaugurates the great brotherhood of man. The Chinese question is settled, and the celestials will not have to go. The labor unions—Italians and Poles—will now affiliate with the pigtails, and there will be no more necessity for the efforts of Republicans, Democrats, and Populists to make the Chinese question a factor in politics. Union and non-union men will roll together in clover, and all because of the great "Religious Congress."

Let everybody keep watch, and see if these things about the "Congress of Religions" are not just as we tell you.

Does Modern Christianity Pray to a "God That Cannot Save?"

What better evidence do we require that the time is come that was prophesied by Isaiah when he said: "Behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people," than the evidence furnished by the attitude of modern Christianity toward its avowed founder and leader?

Jesus founded his church on the doctrine that he was the Son of God, that God the Father dwelt in him and was one with him. Nowhere else were his disciples taught to look for a God besides; to no one but him were they to direct their hopes of salvation, for he said no one could come to the Father except through him, and no one could come to him except the Father drew him. At one time, early in his ministry, he said, "the Father is greater than I"; but after he had reached the maturity of his divine development through his crucifixion, he declared: "All power is given unto me, in heaven and in earth," making himself, then, (in his own estimation at least) equal with his Father. In his ascent to the Father—which was his development to the state of fatherhood—he became completely one with the Father, sitting down with him in his throne. Thus Jesus taught the perfect oneness of the Godhead in himself while manifest in earth in his personality. He taught men to *come to him*, to pray to the Father *in him*. He also taught that he could not stay with them personally but a short time; that he must go away, as to his outward form; that then they must look to, and pray to, the Holy Spirit that he would send into them, even his own Spirit, to guide and comfort them until he should come again, when he would raise them up into immortal life.

Where he and the Father would be after he went away, he taught them distinctly, both by the symbol of the last supper, and by his beautiful prayer: "Neither pray I for these" (disciples) "alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be *one*; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me, I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: *I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one*; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me." "I in them and thou in me," he said. Invisible, truly, to the outward eye, but none the less dwelling as living, conscious mind, or spirit, in those who received the Holy Ghost. To this invisible Spirit of the Lord, this Father in heaven, were they to pray for their own perfection, or regeneration, and for the coming again of the Lord in personality at the last day, when he should complete his work of regeneration and bring them into life.

The early Christians did thus pray to the Lord Jesus as their only and personal God. But the church, in its natural and necessary declension (which it has not, however, recognized as a declension), has gradually drifted away from the conception of the unity, personality, and humanity of God, and has gathered up fragments of Paganism, Protestantism, Agnosticism, and modern Atheistic science, and molded them all into the monstrous head of the modern Christian churches, "the great unknown and unknowable god."

THIS IS THE GOD THAT CANNOT SAVE!

This is the god that present Christianity prays to in its heart, though its lips proclaim the personal Jesus as the fulness of the Godhead. If God was *ever* personal and known to men, then he must be knowable. To deny that God was ever known to men, is to deny entirely the records of Moses and the gospel of Jesus. A person is practically an infidel or atheist who denies the personality of God. Yet this is just what modern Christianity is doing, in its heart, more fully every day, at the behest of modern science. And in so doing it seems to be utterly unconscious of the fact that it is undermining the foundations of its whole structure, namely, its doctrine that the power of Jesus, the *personal* God, was necessary to save man, and was to accomplish its work by entering as spirit into the soul of man, working in him in regeneration until such time as he should be near perfection, when the Lord should gather again his Spirit into visible personality and "*come again*" to finish his work of redemption.

Christians may as well give up their name if they leave the living, God-man Jesus, and turn to that "nameless nonentity, the unknown and unknowable"! How much of the Spirit of Christ can be left in them when they deny him in all but name? What desire can they have left for his coming, or what welcome could they afford him, were he to come to them now with even more proofs of his identity and authority than he furnished the Jews? They would receive him with even greater scorn and hatred.

The fact that the church can so far be led by modern fallacious and atheistic science as to even consider—say nothing of accepting—an impersonal god, an unknowable god, a great universal spirit, is all the evidence necessary to prove that the church has indeed "fallen away," as was prophesied, and that "gross darkness" has fallen on the people. What hope have we then? This: at the time of the falling away, at the hour when the heaviest darkness covers the people, and men are crying "unto a god that cannot save," the joyful words of Isaiah ring out, prophetic of the dawn of a new day, and bring encouragement to those who await with longing intensity the coming again of the Lord to his own. Thus he cries: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." In this chapter the prophet assures the coming of the Lord and the establishment of his kingdom in earth. The prophecy could not have signified the first coming of Christ, for his kingdom was not established in earth then, nor has it been since. It points to the coming of the Lord in his new name, as the Spirit of Truth who should lead into all truth, and show of things to come; the one whom the Lord hath enlightened to be as a light to those who seek; he of whom God says: "For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name; I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me"; even Cyrus, the Lord's anointed, of whom the Lord says, (when the nations shall come over to him,) "They shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying, *surely God is in thee;* and there is none else, there is no God."

Until this *Sign* of the Lord's coming is come, we are to

pray, as Jesus taught, to the Father who is in heaven; but when his Messenger is come with God's new message, he teaches us to pray, not to the Father-God, but to the Mother-God, not to the bridegroom who hath the bride, but to the bride in whom is the bridegroom, even the New Jerusalem that John saw at the end, descending as a bride adorned for her husband, and who is to be manifest in the flesh of the divine Motherhood. She will be the fulness of the Godhead bodily, for in her will be united—though in a different presentation—the same trinity that made Jesus the fulness of the Godhead.

Pray to the Mother. Pray with intensity that her chastening love may purify your heart and strengthen your highest aspiration for righteousness. Pray for her descent from the interior heavens to external manifestation, to reign over God's kingdom in earth, and be the light and joy of the people. Pray to her in her chosen Messenger. Pray to a God that *can* save.—*Alice Fox Miller.*

Worship and Reason.

Man must worship, for nature so wills; but man must also reason and formulate a rational system of science, for nature demands that to maintain his mental integrity and self-respect he must strive to understand the form and functions of the universe environing him, and of which he is a part.

These two necessities place man in two contradictory positions today. Modern science, reasoning from an assumed premise, demonstrates an illimitable universe, an infinity of worlds, which the imagination strives vainly to grasp, proves is only a cultivated and improved ape. The instinct of worship demands an all-wise, all-powerful being, possessing the paternal attributes, who will supply all poor human nature's needs and bear all poor human nature's burdens.

As a consequence of these two necessities of man's being, we find men, because unable to reconcile the conclusions of modern science with their desire for a personal deity, as worshiping creatures or reasoning creatures, by turns, but never, by any chance, reasoning and worshiping at the same time. To be at peace with their hearts, they must cut off their heads, and to be at peace with their heads, they must cut out their hearts, for there is no peace to be obtained with both at once. So we find on the first day of the week a throng of worshipers who will not reason, and on the other six days a throng of reasoners who will not worship. This is a sort of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde arrangement, according to which what a man feels and is on Sunday he does not feel and is not, under any circumstances, on Monday.

Is there no way out of this predicament? Does no suspicion ever enter the minds of men that the premise of the modern system of science may be a false one? If such a suspicion does enter their minds, they see no way out of the wilderness of doubt and unrest into which their blind leaders have plunged them.

As ever in time of human necessity a deliverer has arisen, so today a man appears with a new premise, reasoning from which he formulates a new system of cosmogony, and proves not only the possibility but the necessity of a personal God. His premise is not an assumed one, like that of the Copernican system, but an absolutely demonstrated premise. He does not reason from a theory, hence arrive at a theoretical conclusion, but he reasons from a readily perceived fact and arrives at an absolute conclusion, and the natural laws demonstrated by him are the laws stated by the inspired writers of the Bible.

Koreshanity is a scientific religion and a religious science. It is the only system in which can be found both satisfaction for the head and rest for the heart of man. It is the only system in proof of which two witnesses can be obtained—the visible universe and the Bible. Koreshanity shows that the story told by accurate observation and reason is the story told by revelation. That the world is slow to accept the truths revealed by this system is not strange. That its founder should be misunderstood and misrepresented is not strange. The world has always martyred its great prophets and teachers. And this, too, is a law—a law with which we do not quarrel for we understand its necessity.

That Koreshanity is to triumph over all existing systems, and that in the near future, is certain. It possesses a potency of which the world little dreams at present, but to a realization of which the world must speedily come. We are in the dawn of a new era, when worship will not be, as now, an unreasoning faith in an unknown and unknowable God who imposes on men a law which they cannot hope to keep, but when every act of life will be an act of worship, when men will keep the law because they know the law, and will love and serve God because they know and understand God, when reason and worship will be no longer at variance, and in earth will reign the rest and peace of the golden age—the

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THE SCAPEGOAT.

I see a man with eyes downcast,
His shrinking form with sorrow pressed,
He heedless braves the bitter blast,
His face with shame flame hot;
What crime is hidden in his past,
What secret buried in his breast,
Why goes he forth with footsteps fast
To wilds where men are not?

These pallid lips but yesterday
His Lord and Savior did betray,
And now he goes his lonely way,
Upon his fame a blot;—
A blot so black not ages may
Suffice to wash its hue away;
A tribute to him none may pay,
And hate his bones shall rot.

And yet a righteous deed was done—
He took all sins himself upon,
Into the wilderness hath gone,
That they be without spot;
Stern sense of duty urged him on,
He knew one must betray God's Son
And he did dare to be that one,
A Hero's part, God wot.

And as the cycles onward roll,
And ages purify his soul,
One day he'll reach that utmost goal,—
The sacrifice his lot;
And when God measures up the whole
And judges earth from pole to pole,
With Martyrs' names He will enroll
Judas Iscariot. —*Ella M. Castle.*

IN HIS NAME.

The modern Christian church has just presented to the world the spectacle of its suicide. With its own hand it set up the balances of judgment and justice, and invited the whole world to come and see it weighed in those balances, where, before the critical eyes of heathen priests and civilized philosophers, the handwriting on the wall stood out clear and unmistakable: "Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting." What is it that is wanting in the modern Christian concept of God's law, and why does it so signally fail of impressing the minds of other religious teachers? None of the great representative men who have come here to this wonderful trial of faiths have yielded one iota to the value and efficacy of modern Christianity over their own beliefs; indeed, the criticisms of it for its lack of saving grace, as shown in the lives of its professors, have been stern and bitter. Not only individual life, but that of nations who claim to be enrolled under the standard of Christian civilization has been shown by these so called heathen to be far short of the law of righteousness set up by the Lord himself. And, finally, driven to the wall by these denunciations of the insincerity of their lives as professing Christians, the exponents of the modern church have weakly given up the plan of salvation as they have taught it, and now cry, "It all means the same thing—Buddha, Mahomet, Confucius, Krishna, all are aiming for the same heaven, all are seeking the same light, and Jesus Christ is but one among them! Let us be unified on this basis and we will be happy, and the reign of brotherly love will be ushered in! Unification we must have."

So we have heard the different presentations of the churches, and all, even the Swedenborgians, agree that it does not matter under what title or character God is worshiped; the name is of no consequence.

Nothing can be imagined more thoroughly unscientific than this yielding up and denial of Jesus as the centre and pivot of the church. It is the final blow that knocks the edifice from its foundation and leaves it an unsightly ruin—a laughing-stock and by-word to all the world. The weakly, pitiful unbelief that pervades the thought of today could in no way be more clearly demonstrated. The total lack of agreement between science and religion, so called, leaves it an open prey to keener wit and more logical systems. No wonder the banner of Islam floats gaily in Chicago, the foremost and most typical city of modern Christian civilization! No wonder the Buddhist teacher finds himself clamorously surrounded by American men and women! Buddhist and Mohammedan both are true and loyal to their own great centres.

The Lord Jesus has said much upon the peculiar strength involved in his name. The promises to the disciples of the wonderful works to be done in that name impress one at every step, in reading the life and sayings of our Lord. He had many titles,—Immanuel,—Prince of Peace,—but the name by and through which these works were to be accomplished was the *new name* which involved and expressed the fundamental truth of the new dispensation. That truth was the union of God and man, and the new name was Jehovah. The Lord was Jehovah for the first time in the cycle of progression. For the first time the body of the Lord, as well as his soul and spirit, was divine, and in the divinity of that body lay the power and possibility of the resurrection, the manifestation of the sons of God at the end of the dispensation, or age of the Christian church.

A name when fully analyzed and studied in the light of correspondences is a full expression of the character. We see as by an inner light the whole individuality brought to view, especially those subtler essences that make that individuality stand out as a distinct type from any other. What then is there in the name of the Lord Jesus so potent to save mankind, or so brilliant in its electric fire that for two thousand years it has moved the world as none other? We shall see what is said of him, what he says of himself: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go to my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." All his works, then, may be accomplished by those who truly believe on him; but such belief in the Lord involves a life that does not and cannot fit into the forms and functions of the church organizations of today, whose members still grind the faces of the poor, as they did of old. The Lord Jesus says of himself that he came to do the will of his Father. In doing that will, he established communism as a social order, and taught that the family ties were of the earth, earthy. These ties are grouped by Swedenborg under the laws of Permission, being permitted lest humanity might do worse; but the laws of heaven are all in the order of Providence, and involve a life according to the ten commandments, by which alone is conjunction with the Lord effected.

What is the will of the Father? The central will of God is to reproduce himself in his children. This is the will of all life and is the cause and source of the perpetuity of species, divine as well as human. This universal law is as much a part of God's own existence as it is of the existence of his creations. This will Jesus accomplished in the begetting of the children of the kingdom, of whom the apostle speaks thus: "Now are we become the begotten" (not born) "sons of God; and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see him as he is." The children of God were not manifest at the beginning of the Christian era, for the second Adam was a quickening spirit, but, by planting himself in those who made themselves receptive to him, he transmitted the substance of his own body transmuted to divine energy, the seed of Deity. In this impartation of himself he taught the great law of transmutation, or the interconvertibility of spirit and matter, for the Holy Ghost appearing as cloven tongues of fire (cloven, because the male and female principles were again separated) was that divine body changed to its divine energies, and thus capable of entering into the consciousness of his people. This law of transmutation is one of the keys of knowledge, of which the Lord said to the Rabbis and learned men of the time, "Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the keys of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered." The keys of knowledge, that open the book of life.

and show man whereby he may become one with God, are hidden away, today, or cast out by these modern teachers; instead of looking for God in humanity where he expressly declares he is—"The tabernacle of God is with men," and, again, "the kingdom of God is within you"—the world is taught to seek Him afar off, in the most distant star. While science teaches that the creative influence is applied from without inwardly, the truth as illustrated by the workings of the physical universe shows that all life is from within, proceeding from the centre outward. The centre of universal life, whom we know and acknowledge as the Lord Jehovah, Jesus the Christ, must dwell in and among his creations, and not on the circumference of his works, or outside of them.

When modern Christianity denies its own centre, as it long has denied a life derived from the teachings of that centre, we may know that the end is nigh. The truth is not in it, nor even the appearance of truth. Their teachers admit the impossibility of reconciling the practices of the church with the laws of God as taught in the written Word; while it is equally impossible to reconcile the science of the world as illustrated by modern astronomy with the science of God as illustrated in the physical heavens and earth and taught by Moses and the prophets. Modern science begins outwardly and works toward the centre; divine science begins at the centre and flows outward to the circumference. One, modern science, is of the hells and in its order; the other is of the heavens and is in the order of the heavens.

The law of centralization is immutable; and Jesus embodied this as well as all other fundamental laws of being. As the Lord Jehovah, the new name of the dispensation, we find in him that Divine Humanity to which every knee shall bow; while the confession of the coming age and crowning glory of his name is the confession of the Divinity of Man and the Humanity of God!—*Mary C. Mills.*

The Justice and Truth of Re-embodiment.

There is nothing more delightfully just to contemplate than the law of re-embodiment. It is that eternal provision in the economy of life by which all things are finally made equal. It is taught throughout the Bible, in both the Old and the New Testaments, although the church does not recognize that fact. It is part and parcel of the evolutionary and involutionary systems, by which the harmony or balance of nature is perpetually maintained. The justice of the law must be apparent to all. If, for example, we have but one life in the natural existence, where would be the equity of bringing so many persons into the world under such vastly unequal conditions? Two children are born at the same hour; one of wealthy, the other of poor, parentage. The one has the advantages that will secure health to body and mind, while the other—surrounded by poverty and neglect—dies before it has had the necessary time to develop whatever of genius it possesses. According to the schemes of modern Christianity, this is perfectly just; but in view of the usual degradation attending poverty, we fail to see how, in most cases, such a child (in the spiritual world) could be on an equality with the other referred to, who, having grown to manhood in a fairly moral atmosphere, has made more advancement in all lines before passing over to the spiritual life.

Then, we are told that eternal progression is the law of spiritual life, so that we fail to see how there could be a final evening up in these two instances. If two horses start in a race with one far ahead of the other, there is little probability of the last one catching up before the finish. The only difference in the comparison lies in this very important item, —there is no finis or limit in the modern Christian conception of spiritual existence, so that—since God is a whole, complete being, therefore a finite (finished) instead of an infinite (unfinished) Creator—there must, under such a philosophy, come a time when the eternally progressing angels would meet and pass the finished God. What other conclusion can be drawn from the premises? The law of re-embodiment is a grand provision for the eternal existence of things. Under it there is good reason for some men being dishonest, others honest; some intellectual, others stupid; some virtuous, and others vicious. We know, under its operation, that each one—according to the indefinite mysticism of Theosophy,—"is working out his karma." That is to say, in definite and lucid English, as interpreted by Koreshanity, each one is working out his own salvation. The doctrine of the vicarious atonement finds no foot-hold under this grand philosophy. It is unable to wash the red right hand of Lady Macbeth by a miraculous and instantaneous cleansing. Lady Macbeth must accomplish this herself, by an application of the eternal law of God. "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Development from within is the means to salvation. "If ye love me, keep my commandments."

The Lord Jesus never laid down any other law for immortal attainment. Only by the illogical and fallacious doctrines of the church has the philosophy of Buddha been rendered, to some minds, more reasonable than that of Jesus. The philosophy of the Lord, when properly interpreted, is far superior. Nowhere can there be found a more pernicious doctrine, a greater harbinger of hypocrisy and insincerity, a more potential enemy of human progress, than the scheme of salvation fostered by the church. A doctrine that grants a murderer immunity from the consequences of his act, and, by his simple "looking to Christ," elevates him above the conscientious and logical truth-seeker whose admiration for the character of Jesus will not permit him to believe that our Lord ever advocated such a theory for human redemption, is one unworthy of the support of justice-loving people, and unfit to be found in the code of laws of any people professing the name of civilized.

As to the truth, aside from the justice of the law of re-embodiment, we have ample evidence in the Bible to sustain the claim. "David, I will make of thee my first-born, higher than the kings of the earth," is the Lord's promise. David himself, *in that embodiment*, was not the first-born of God; but as Jesus he was "the first-born of every creature," therefore Jesus must have been the re-incarnated David. "How are the dead raised up, and with what body do they come?" was asked the Lord. "Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened except it die." "That day," said Paul, referring to the end of the age and the manifestation of the sons

of God, "shall not come except there be a falling away first." The death of the seed was the falling away from the primitive faith as we find illustrated in the church today. Its harvest and restoration to the similitude of that which was originally planted—the perfect seed, Jesus Christ—is the re-incarnation of the original potency, it having passed through a series of embodiments or stages of development, like the seed planted, until the final fruitage, when the perfect sons of God are evolved.—*Charles Jay Maclaughlin.*

THE BRIDEGROOM THAT HATH THE BRIDE.

DEATH, HELL, AND HEAVEN.

The First Hundred Years of Shakerism and the First Hundred Years of Primitive, the Only Real Christianity, Compared.

How the Competitive System was Destroyed, and will be Again.

"He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy, therefore, is fulfilled." I will not bandy epithets or accusations of ignorance with my Brother Anstatt, who, in the last *Manifesto,* criticises my article, "Betraying the Truth," in THE FLAMING SWORD of July 20, but will submit the case to the impartial arbitrament of the future.

It will be seen—by reference to the passage above quoted from John, third chapter, twenty-ninth verse—that John greatly rejoiced at hearing the voice of the bridegroom, not the one who would have the bride eighteen hundred years after, but that already had the bride. Such must have been the case if he was, as the Bible represents him to be, the divine seed, God's seed; "not seeds as of many, but thy seed, which is Christ." Any seed, in order to grow and reproduce its kind, must have in itself the masculine and the feminine principles. Take the typical wheat grain, or seed, and subject it to the conditions of its growth and reproduction; immediately it begins to die ("Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened except it die") and to reproduce itself in a multiplied crop. Every step of this growth is the result of a constant impregnation of the environment, with the life of the seed, thus requiring the constant, active presence of the masculine and the feminine principles, not in two forms, but in one—the wheat plant. But before the matured grain can be reproduced, there comes a separation of these principles in the blossom. After the fructification of the ovum, the two principles, masculine and feminine, are again united in one dual form, and the perfected grain appears, masculine and feminine in one form as was the seed.

When the pumpkin seed is planted in the earth, it grows because it includes within itself masculine and feminine principles which operate constantly in producing the vine; but in time there comes a separation of the sex potencies, or principles, and there appear separate male and female blossoms; without either of these there could be no fruit, no reproduction of the seed, in which case the species would become extinct. But after these sexual organs have performed their functions, they disappear; the fruit then appears, and in it the seed, which is bi-sexual, having the masculine and the feminine principles, as had the original from which it was produced. In every domain of being, all seed is subject to the same laws of reproduction. If there was any fitness in the parable of the sower, as given by Jesus himself, or in the Scripture that declares him to be God's seed (since we do not apply the term seed to anything that is not to be planted for reproduction), Jesus must have been planted, as he said, "The sower sowed the Word," *Logos,* which was himself: must have been, as seed, bi-sexual, the bridegroom having the bride: must have died in the "good ground," human hearts in which he was planted, and with whom he declared that he would be alway, even unto the end of the world (Christian age), and would raise them up, resurrect them, into the same quality of life which he possessed, when they would no longer travel the broad road that leads to death and decay in the tomb, as all men, since his time, have done, but would enter into life by the straight and narrow way through which he entered, in which no part of him was subject to decay in the grave. Such, evidently, was the consummation to which Paul looked forward, and for which he longed, when he cried out: "The creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption" (sonship, not adoption), "to wit, the redemption" (not of our soul, or spirit, but) "of our body."

When this age-long process of being regenerated, or reproduced, from Jesus Christ as the divine seed, is completed, then, (for those who received this divine seed, in the beginning of the Christian age, which Paul here calls the firstfruits of the Spirit, and Peter calls a birth of the Spirit, and a begetting again for a birth of the body, to come in the end of the age, after an age-long period of gestation,) *then* will be realized that of which Paul speaks in another place: "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump" (end of the age): "for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." The result of this change will be victory over death. Such a victory Jesus gained, so that those who attain to this can cry out, as did the Lord, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" attributing their victory over death to the potency given them by the Lord Jesus Christ. Such—having obtained the sonship for which Paul and the early Christians longed—will, when they leave the world, leave it as Jesus did; not by the old, dead way, the "broad way which leadeth to destruction," death, and decomposition in the grave, by which all, since his time, including Mother Ann, have gone, but "by a new and living way which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say his" (Christ's incorruptible, not Spirit, but) "*flesh,*" the narrow "way which leadeth unto life," of which Jesus adds, "and few there be that find it." If Jesus was not talking nonsense, it can hardly be that one so imperfect—so unlike himself as not to be able to find this narrow way in which there is no death—can be the bride

intended, when it is declared that the bridegroom hath the bride, especially since John tells us, in Revelation, that when the angel had promised to show him the bride, the Lamb's wife, he saw "the holy city, New Jerusalem" (doctrine of the new age), "coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."

But Brother Anstatt says: "Here we have the virgins, Jesus and Ann Lee, who can administer to the spiritual needs of humanity, and together redeem them from the fall." Such was not the redemption for which Paul and the early Christians waited and groaned, and are waiting yet, for that was a redemption from death, not of the spirit, but of the *body*; a redemption to come, not through Jesus in partnership with someone else, "But" (as Paul declares) "thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory" (over death) "through our *Lord Jesus Christ*." As the product of the planting of the one virgin, Jesus, in the fallen, sinful race, in the beginning of the Christian age, John saw, in the end of it, one hundred and forty-four thousand standing on Mount Sion, of whom it was said: "These are they which were not defiled with women, for they are virgins" (men-women). "These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and the Lamb." Obadiah says of them: "And Saviors shall come upon mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lord's." This will come to pass when the kingdom of righteousness is established, which is in the end of the Christian age, the time now at hand.

Of these children of the new kingdom of God—resurrected sons of God—John says: "Beloved, now are we the sons of God" (Greek, *tekna*, begotten, but not yet born sons, the latter being, *huioi*), "and it doth not appear what we shall be: but we know that when he" (not she) "shall appear we shall be like him" (not her); "for we shall see him as he is."

DEATH, HELL, AND HEAVEN.

In Revelation, first chapter, John tells us of seeing "one like unto the Son of man," who said, "I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth and was dead; and behold I am alive forevermore, amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." The above is a testimony that every reproduced seed can give, since it has passed through death, hell (the discipline, experiences, development, which bring it again into a state where it again possesses and can impart life), and a resurrection into life. Jesus declared of himself that he was the beginning and the end, the first and the last, just as every seed is the first and the last, when it comes again, not in spirit, but in a physical body which contains the spirit. This one whom John heard, then, must have been Jesus Christ, the divine seed, who, when he was without sin in himself, "was made to be sin for us," and, being sin, died in humanity, (since "the wages of sin is death,") but at the time at which the prophet John heard him, had been resurrected into life again. Jesus had said to Peter,—who, we learn by the transfiguration scene, became the tabernacle of the personality of Jesus after he went away,—"I will give to thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven."

This one in Revelation, having the keys of hell and of death, must also be the one that has "the keys of the kingdom of heaven." Having the power—the knowledge that enables him, by imparting his knowledge to those prepared to receive it,—to let men out of hell and of death, he must needs have the key, knowledge, which, if received and lived, must let them into the kingdom of heaven. So we see that this one, who was the first and the last, the beginning of the new age and the end of the old one, became the rider on the white horse, (white signifying purity, life, victory over death,) and was followed on white horses by the hundred and forty-four thousand that had been "redeemed from among men," redeemed from death, hence let into life—eternal (age-long) life—the kingdom of heaven set up in earth. For their benefit Peter must have used the keys of "the kingdom of heaven," prior to which he must have used the keys of hell and of death to let them out of these. As long as men are in death, subject to death, they are in hell, whether they know it or not,—at least such is the unmistakable teaching of the Bible; and of reason, as well, as I shall seek to prove in a subsequent article.

Ann Lee, and every Shaker, professed Christian, or votary of other religion or no religion, who dies, goes to hell and will remain there, either in the spiritual or natural division of it, until he overcomes and destroys everything in himself that can die; until he utterly kills the old man, and his "corruptible puts on incorruption, and his mortal puts on immortality." If anyone doubts that this is the plain teaching of the Lord Jesus, let him intelligently consider his words. He said to all the men, including those who honestly supposed themselves to be God's chosen people, whatever their claims to piety and sanctity, "ye are of your father the Devil." That is precisely what he would say of all men today, who still travel the broad road that leads to death, as they did. He alone came down from heaven, and "no man hath ascended up into heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." If the Devil was, and is yet, the father of all men, all men must be devils, and devils are in hell. To be satisfied that, as yet, this is hell, one needs only to compare the horrible record of any daily newspaper with the Bible description of hell. David understood this perfectly, and hence said, not, Thou wilt not send my soul to hell, but "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell." As to the location of heaven, we need not look for it in the intermundane spaces—places between the worlds—of which that old heathen, Cicero, speaks, and in which modern professed Christianity is inclined to believe it to be. Jesus declared that while he was in earth he was in heaven, and that God the Father, who is always in heaven, was *in him*—a man in the earth. In fact, *he was heaven*, the old heaven, "rolled together as a scroll" and ready to pass away in order that there might come a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. He said, "I am the resurrection and the life." All the resurrected—saved, living—spirits gathered from the Jewish age were in him. "He gathered the lambs with his arm, and carried them in his bosom." He was, also, as he declared, "the door" through which they went out, after his translation, or change to Holy Ghost, into those who, in the beginning of the age, constituted the new Christian church—the new heaven.

The spiritual natural heaven which he was, before his translation or change to Holy Spirit, after his theocracis, was all the heaven there was, as a spiritual heaven in the humanity which received that Holy Ghost. Hence Paul says to the Corinthian Christians who had received this Holy Ghost, "What! know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in you, which ye have of God?" We learn in Ephesians that this temple, which they were, was then only in its spiritual, its germinal, state, and must needs grow "unto" (Greek, into) "a holy temple in the Lord." Jesus was such a perfected temple of God. The apostle says, "We know not what we shall be, but we know this, that when he appeareth we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is." If the Shakers are that people—like Christ, actual sons of God, who have overcome death—they are greater than Ann Lee. The proof of this are the words of Jesus; "Among those born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist; notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS OF SHAKERISM AND THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS OF PRIMITIVE, THE ONLY REAL, CHRISTIANITY, COMPARED.

As compared with the effects of real Christianity, which came upon the scene as the result of the outpouring of the real Holy Spirit in the beginning of the age, (which spirit came as the result of the going away of the Lord Jesus by the change of his body to spirit, and its appropriation by the humanity that received it,) the impression made upon the world by the Shakers, externally and visibly, is meagre and insignificant.

It is calculated by some writers, that, within thirty years after its establishment, primitive Christianity overran the whole known world, and that in large portions of it, professed Christians constituted the large majority of the people. Bythinia and Pontus were remote and populous provinces of the Roman Empire, situated in Asia Minor. In A. D. 100, the younger Pliny was their governor, under Emperor Trajan, who was then persecuting the Christians. In a letter to the Emperor, asking for instructions,—which letter (showing the extent to which Christianity had influenced the people) is still extant, and to which the infidel historian Gibbon, refers,—he says: "the temples," (heathen,) "at least, which were almost deserted, begin now" (as the result of the persecution) "to be frequented; and the sacred solemnities, after a long intermission, are again revived; while there is a general demand for the victims which, for some time past, have met with but few purchasers." If the Shakers are the outcome of the Christianity planted eighteen hundred years ago, and the people of the new age, it looks very much as though Christianity had come out at the little end of the horn, as the saying is.

HOW THE COMPETITIVE SYSTEM WAS DESTROYED, AND WILL BE AGAIN.

In its first hundred years, the Shaker movement—instead of destroying the hell-born competitive system which is destroying humanity, and which primitive, the only real, Christianity destroyed for the many millions of its adherents—has been forced to give up, mostly, its enterprises which were benefiting humanity, and to live by selling portions of its landed possessions, as well as by its members' proverbial industry. Justin Martyr, one of the early Christian fathers who wrote A. D. 100, and was beheaded at Rome, 165, says: "We who once loved above all things the gain of money and possessions, now bring all that we have into a common stock, and give a part to every one that needs." This is substantially the record in Acts. "And all that believed were together, and had all things common; and sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need." This they did under the direct prompting of the Holy Ghost, which all had received. Thus it was manifest that the new spirit that prompted them was the same spirit that had been in Jesus, for it prompted them to do just as he did, which, before the reception of this spirit, they had not been disposed to do. It was the reception and the manifestation of this benevolent spirit that caused the remarkable spread of the new movement, and the destruction of the competitive system for the millions of believers. But the early and pure Christianity had not the power and prestige, but rather the opposition, and sometimes the bitter persecution, of civil government, and hence could not make its own beneficent communism the general condition of all the citizens.

When, now, in the end of the Christian age and of the grand cycle of the zodiacal year of twelve months, or ages, the Spirit is again poured out in the same way as before, by the change of a divine man to Holy Ghost, and that spirit baptizes the regenerated sons of God, the product of the planting of the first begotten Son of God in the race in the beginning of the age, the sons of the kingdom—and hence *the kingdom*—will be born in the earth, and the government will no longer be in the hands of enemies, but in the hands of those having the same benevolent spirit of communism which prompted the early Christians; with this spirit they will have the power to put it in general practice, the kingdom of righteousness will be here, and the competitive system, with its unutterable oppressions and robberies, will be forever relegated to the limbo of the abominations of the past. Instead of saving the world from the hell of greed, immorality, and crime into which it seems hopelessly sunk and stuck fast, it looks as though it might be only a question of time, not very long, when the Shakers themselves will be pitilessly driven to the wall and destroyed, unless some mightier saving force than they possess shall come to their rescue.

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SOCIOLOGY.

The Root of the Money Question.

From the standpoint of Koreshan Science, a discussion of the money question is only valuable in that this science is able to demonstrate to the mind the relation of the source of this question with its circumferential sequence. The adoption of a legal tender money system with a metallic currency, is simply the outward result of the misuse or perversion of a great moral principle, or, in other words, the effect of the violation of God's law. The root of the money evil resides in the sex question. Here is where the principle of money was first perverted. If we cannot connect the money question, in its circumferential or secular aspect, with the sex question, thereby making it a religious as well as a sociological question, we must fail in our object of regenerating the world. The money question is primarily a religious question. In its central, or, religious, aspect the devil is enthroned. Manifestly, therefore, he cannot be cast out of his citadel in the secular domain until people have grasped the law by which he retains his control in the religious.

Of what use would it be to abolish legal tender and demonetize gold if the Devil is still to retain possession over man's sex nature? All effort at reform in the circumference, under such circumstances, would be overturned by the nefarious power held at the center. First drive the Devil from the centre, and the circumference will take care of itself. If the love of money is the root of all evil,—and the love of money originates in the sexual relation, where the commercial principle is prostituted for pleasure,—then the root of evil lies in the sexual waste of the race through sensual gratification. This is the Devil we have to contend with, but he is so subtle and deep-seated that his destruction is attended with the greatest difficulty. In and out of the marriage relation this sex principle is abused, and money is spent for that which is not bread (life). The church lends its aid to an abuse of the sexual relation, under the cover of a marriage contract. "Whoso *looketh* on a woman to lust after her," said the Lord, "hath committed adultery with her already in his heart." This declaration does not exclude the wife, but the church says it does. In this, modern Christianity and primitive Christianity radically differ. "They who are accounted worthy to attain that age and the resurrection of the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels in heaven."

How, then, is the race to be propagated? This is the question invariably put by those numerous persons who, at at such a time, grow very solicitous over the future of the race, although it is probable that the well-being of the race, under other circumstances, does not give them the least concern. There will always be propagation on the sensual plane, to a greater or less extent, because there will always be found plenty of people who prefer that kind of existence. Ninety-nine out of every one hundred children are the merest accidents, the unavoidable sequence of sensual indulgence. Now and then there is a child born as the product of carefully guarded parental desire, but such is the exception rather than the rule. The majority of children come into the world unwelcomed, and yet this is the sort of propagation that is defended by the people. Sensuality is the curse of men and women; and not until it is overcome and regulated in the higher spheres of human existence, can there be any real order in society. Solve the money question in its sexual aspect, and you have settled the money question in all respects.

Man, through the dissipation of the seed of life, has inherited death through sin. If death was thus inherited, surely life can only be regained by the appropriation of this life force for higher use. "He that is born of God doth not commit sin, for his seed remaineth in him and he cannot sin because he is born of God." Men, today, are not born of God. Such teaching is fallacious. They are born of the Devil, and are going to stay with the Devil when they go into the grave and pass to corruption, for it is declared that the Devil hath the power of death. The race has lost its commercial wisdom through the abuse of the commercial principle in its sexual aspect. When it regains its wisdom in this domain—by husbanding the life force—it will regain it in the other domains. What else but commercial idiocy would inaugurate and maintain such a damnable commercial system as that under which we at present live? Legal tender and monometallism, as well as bimetallism, are without a logical and just premise to sustain them. They are, however, with all other social evils, the result of the prostitution of the central function of man's being. Correct that, and you revolutionize society. Here is the root of the money question.—*Charles Jay Maclaughlin.* Christ will correct

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

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Negative and Positive Reforms.—The greatest reforms that have taken place in the world's history have been secured through the repeal of laws. Men have generally contented themselves with rejecting falsehood and repealing bad laws. They have not been so successful in replacing falsehood with truth, and bad laws with good laws. In throwing off the yoke and tyranny of kings, they have simply transferred it to the tyranny and oppression of concentrated capital, which robs men of more rights and liberties than kings ever did.

The progress that has thus far taken place has been of a passive and negative character,—rather the avoidance of evil than the doing of good. The social and penal codes tell men what not to do, rather than what they should do. Society has been guided by the ambitions and actions of individuals. The progress which has taken place has been unconscious and uncalculated; the result of each individual striving to attain his own ends,—the greatest gain for himself, regardless of the interests of society at large. Nearly all great reforms have been advocated and forwarded by those who have no personal or pecuniary interest in them. It is not the victims of the industrial and social tyrannies who shake off their chains. The student in his closet, the inventor in his laboratory, and the scholar who is influenced by a high moral purpose, are the instigators of reform movements. They have established a social science, and their logic becomes the weapon of millions.—*Cleveland Citizen.*

Distribution of Wealth.—"What is the rule by which the wealth of the world is now distributed? Fundamentally, I think, it is the rule of the strongest. This rule has been greatly modified in the progress of civilization; a great many kinds of violence are now prohibited; in many ways the weak are protected by law against the encroachments of the strong; human rapacity is confined within certain bounds. Nevertheless, the wealth of the world is still, in the main, the prize of strength and skill. Our laws furnish the rules of the game, but the game is essentially as Rob Roy describes it. It is evident that under such a system, in spite of legal restraints, the strong will trample upon the weak. We cannot believe that such a system can be in accordance with the will of a Father to whom the poor and needy are the especial objects of care. A striking illustration of the fact that this is the fundamental principle of the existing industrial order is seen in the recent occupation of the Cherokee lands. Our government had a little property to distribute. On what principle was the distribution made? Was the land divided amongst the neediest, the worthiest, the most learned, the most patriotic? No, it was offered to the strongest. Only those of toughest muscle and greatest power of endurance had any chance in the *melee*. The government stood by to prevent the competitors, in so far as possible, killing or maiming one another in the scramble; it tried to enforce the rules of the game; but the game was essentially a contest of strength."—*J. O. Barrett.*

"Calamity Howling."—Socialists are often accused by capitalistic agencies of being calamity howlers, of overdrawing the picture of the miseries caused by the capitalistic system, yet these same capitalistic agencies furnish us continually with abundant material to strengthen our position and prove our assertions.

Here comes now the annual report of the Young Womens' Christian Association of Holyoke, by the President, Mrs. William A. Prentiss, stating that the Association has ninety-two members, all, with one or two exceptions, mill-workers, nearly all of them earning one dollar a day. Then follows this remarkable passage:—

"The average age is about twenty, although poor food, bad air, hard work, and very little fun, make many who are much younger look older. If any one of us were obliged to work all day in the mill, do our housework in the evening for a family of six, washing, ironing, all, excepting bread making, do what mending and making there was to be done, with the exception of an occasional wool dress, we would not consider we were having a very hilarious time to walk from South Holyoke and sit patiently putting in stitches all the evening, in order that we might be able to do our necessary sewing better. This is the case of a motherless girl who is both uncomplaining and cheerful. It is an exceptionally hard one, but there are many others who have very little to brighten life. Most have homes of three or four rooms for an average family of six. That there can be little opportunity for quiet under such conditions, if a girl has a longing for self-improvement, one can readily see. Too many times the testimony has come that the time spent at these rooms was all the quiet that it was possible to obtain.—*The People.*

Prison Horrors.—It is a stock argument against the substitution of life imprisonment for capital punishment, that it produces less effect in deterring from crime. After reading the exposure of the treatment of prisoners in the prisons of Connecticut, that argument must be laid aside. It appears that the horrors of Russian barbarism have been equaled and exceeded within the penitentiary walls of that State, and that the terrors of the gallows or of electrocution are preferable to a short sentence in its dungeons. The exposure of the brutality of the superior officers, guards, and bosses, is timely, and will serve to direct public attention to the barbarism lingering in our penal system. It is not our

purpose to shock our readers with the details of this awful exposure. The whole system which gives such autocratic and unrestrained power into the hands of irresponsible men is utterly wrong. Men and women do not, by conviction of crime, become brutes; they are not placed in confinement to become victims of the lust and hate of their keepers. They may be bad, but that does not doom them to the horrors of dungeons, reeking with filth. When sick, it does not justify adding to their punishment the prescription of loathsome medicines, or retention in damp and mouldy cells until their lifeless remains are carried out by the guards.

The diabolical torture chamber of the Inquisition, or the convict prisons of Siberia, furnish nothing more revolting than the every-day routine of a Connecticut prison, presided over by Christian officers in this closing half of the nineteenth century! And are we sure this penitentiary is an exception? We are sure it is not! The gloomy castle at Sing Sing on the Hudson has horrors which would make the beholder pale with fright, and, over all this fair land, like atrocities are being perpetrated behind the massive, concealing walls, differing only in degree. Spasmodic efforts at reform come up periodically, and committees are appointed; they visit the institution, are conducted by the presiding officers through the buildings, where everything is prepared for the reception, dined, wined, smoke fragrant Havanas, and report excellent government, and all things lovely. They do not deign to converse with the prisoners, they receive all their knowledge from the officers, entirely on one side, and delusive.

The fact is, the system by which criminals are treated belongs to the dark ages, and the sooner abolished the better. Individuals who show by crimes that they cannot be trusted at large should be confined, not for purposes of punishment and vengeance, but for educational reform.—*Light of Truth.*

WHAT IS OPPRESSION?—Oppression of one's own people never comes with the mailed hand of force, but with the cunning smile of the trickster. The people are amused and flattered, while the schemers deprive them of property and then use them as servants and slaves. If a law were put upon the statutes of any state or nation, that the producers should not leave their country or state, should wear a certain grade of clothing, live in a certain class of houses, and feed upon a certain grade of food, the people would revolt. They could read that law and would realize its import. If the law said they should work for such wages as their employers might decide, they would revolt. But the invisible money power knows this. This power studies human nature. It proceeds to blarny the people about their great country, its wonderful freedom, and how much better off they are than the oppressed of other countries. They put in their heads strong words of how they love the independent farmer, the honest laboring masses, the yeomanry and bulwark of a nation. They flatter and cajole with such lies as "honest money," "protection to home labor," "labor is honorable," while they proceed to enact laws which protect capital, not labor, and spurn honest labor as a pest. You see it is not necessary to make laws that oppress, in order to get the labor of others without doing any labor yourself; *but* it is necessary to prevent proper laws from being enacted, or enforced, that will protect those who are weak and ignorant. Laws of omission are as oppressive as laws of commission. And thus the people of the United States are oppressed.

At the close of the late war, the people were prosperous, happy, and out of debt. But, by laws of commission (laws giving special privileges) and laws of omission (laws that could have protected the masses), our people are hopelessly in debt. Nine million homes have mortgages on them, all municipalities have piled up debts, all corporations have heaped up mountains of watered debts for the people to pay interest on, and we find the nation, today, on the verge of some great social cataclysm. This is oppression. No people ever had such burdens put on them, for no other people ever had such productive powers and resources. We find that the wealth that belonged to the millions a few years ago now belongs to the millionaires; the people are poor indeed. This is all any tyrant ever wanted,—the people to work while he feasted. No nation in the history of the past was ever reduced to such dependence in so short a time. This is because the people have been partisan.

Wisdom weighs, considers, knows. No wise man was ever a bigot or an oppressor. If the reader loves his family, loves his country, loves his freedom, I beg him, even with tears, to think, to investigate, to know. The principle of just government is as knowable, as certain, as mathematics. When you investigate, you will see it. It is founded upon justice, upon the teachings of the lowly Jesus, and cannot err. No one asks you to accept it until you know, feel, it is right. Is that not fair? Only by investigating can you know. Ignorance has brought you misery and woe. Knowledge will bring you peace and joy.—*Coming Nation.*

The People Are Thinking.

Our martyred leader, Lincoln, declared that the system of contracting a debt while there were two kinds of money in circulation, and then making it payable in one kind, was a crime against the people. The demonetization of silver was that crime,—it was a blow struck at the freedom of the race. It has been called the great commercial crime of the age. The time is not far distant when the world will modify its appellation and it will be known as the unspeakable crime of the century. Yet the only thing advanced in extenuation of the passage of the act was that Congress was hypnotized by the money power! The two great political parties are silent, religion is dumb in this crisis, and it has happened that the teaching of the people's sorrow has overlapped the learning of the schools.

Today we hear the mighty sound of preparation in the land. The host is unfurling the banner of justice in the temple of American politics. The American people are thinking, and they have discovered the trick to make money dear, and flesh and blood cheap. They no longer ask for a fair share of their labor, but for every iota that their honest toil has created. The toilers in the shops and in the city marts have joined hands with the toilers in the field. The newspaper men and the preachers, thank God, are on the way.—*M. E. Lease.*

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Mrs Bertha Bowen,
Mrs Anna E Bowen
et. al.

Bill to set aside deed &c.

The above styled cause being referred to me as General Master in Chancery in and for the County of Lee aforesaid to take the testimony in said cause, and the same being at issue, and the Complainant coming before me on this day, and being represented by Counsel, and the Defendants being represented by Counsel, and the Complainant being duly sworn testifies as follows: My name is Gustave Dauchler, and I am the Complainant in this cause, I have resided in Lee County

of Lee for about fourteen years. I am sixty five years of age in this December last. until the 10th day of January A.D. 1894 I owned the owner in Lee Quinfee of three hundred and twenty acres of land situate in the County of Lee and State of Florida.

"Counsel for the defendant here interposes objection to any testimony of the Complainant upon the ground that the Complainant according to the allegations of Complainants Bill wherein it is alleged he is of unsound mind so that in consequence he is incompetent."

Did or did you not live upon this tract of land until the 10th day of January 1894?

Ans. I lived upon it until that time.

who lived with you?

Ans. My son.

How old was your son at that time?

Ans. About fourteen years of age.

Are there any other members of your family?

Ans. No.

What became of the other members of your family?

Ans- Question objected to as seeking to elicit irrelevant testimony- (The complainant here explains to the master his intention to show the relevancy of the testimony he proceeds to elicit in said cause-

And- My wife and three

Chas Dan died on the place.

You have stated in your last that on the 10th day of January 1894 you conveyed 20 acres of the said tract of land to the defendants, now state to the court whether or not you did convey the said 20 acres and if so when?

Ans. I did so convey 20 acres of land to the defendants on the 29th day of November 1894 but acknowledged the deed after that time.

Did you or did you not receive any consideration for the said 20 acres of land from the said defendants?

Ans. None.

State under what Conditions
and how you came to
convey the 20 acres of land
to the Defendant?

Ans.

I was that morning
under a heavy depression
of mind. I was on my
way to the Cross, when Dr.
Ford called me to his house
where he was, as I was
passing. It was on Thanks-
giving day the 29th day
of November 1894. My prac-
tice has been for many years
to keep my office on Thanks-
giving day. I was at this
time in reconcilial with
Dr. Ford, believing he
was the Savior of the new
dispensation. Dr. Ford
asked me to sit down on
the porch, and he said
Brother we have made so
much improvement on these
20 acres, and I think you
you can work on
and you better consider

Cross
Muster

Jones 20 acres of land
to the Unity. I said
yes. On the porch sat
Miss Bdway at a writing
table, and paper ink and
pen are there. The deed
was written and already
witness any thing that I
knowed of. Dr Jeed
did read the deed to me
till he came to the Con-
veyance, He made no
mention of the Conveyance
ation of acc. And then
he wrote the latter part of
the deed and I signed it.
Dr Jeed just after the sign-
ing of the deed said he would
take Eleven Dollars and
give him a good deed and
and made a mem of this.
The Complainants Counsel
here offers in evidence a
Certified Copy of deed to the
said 20 acres of land, which
is Marked and numbered this
"A" and filed in Evidence
Counsel for Defendants

Ken object to the introduction of said deed in evidence, because the original deed has not been produced by the witness or testified to, as the deed in question of which the Exhibit purports to be a copy.

Where is the original deed Mrs Stinecipher?

State if you can where the original deed to the said 20 acres is, and what you did with it last?

Mrs- I cannot say where it is, I delivered it to Dr. Teed - I have made no effort to get the deed except through my atty. Mr Hardy - I asked him to try and get possession of the deed with some other papers I left with Dr. Teed.

State where and when you

first became acquainted with the Defendants Reed Mrs. Anna E Ordway and Mrs. Bertha Brown?

Ans. I lived 7 miles East of Whiteside Store on Pine Island in Lee County Fla. the latter part of October 1893, I met them personally at Punta Rassa Lee County Fla, the last day of the year 1893,

State the circumstances and conditions fully of your meeting with them, and also whether or not they represented to you they or any thing more than ordinary mortals, and if so what?

Ans. I came down in a sloop from St Myers to Punta Rassa and there met Mr Bailey from Myers Mr Bailey Cap. Carruthers

Here is Dr Teed. Then he called to a man on the porch and says. Dr Teed here is your man. Dr Teed then came down from the steps and had me go up on the porch with him. Dr Teed then went into the house, and brought three ladies out, Mrs Annie Gordinay, Mrs Bertha Bonner and Mrs Mary Mills, and introduced me to them. Very shortly after this he asked the ladies to sing and they commenced and sang nearly the whole evening at intervals, between these intervals, the three ladies they preached some, and especially Mrs. Bonner, and represented Dr Teed as the Messiah or Christ of the new dispensation, and also represented him as the great prophet Elijah twice. She asked me to take the Dr about his doctrine, of Reformed

times and different intervals, that I was so charmed by their singing and their kindness, that I could find no pretence to ask him - At last just to meet their request I asked the Dr. what think you of Christ, and he answered Christ is Jehovah I replied that is right for the highest honor to Christ. Dr. Teed kept the whole time silent, and staring at me with a strong look. I felt greatly relieved by having my having my duty to ask him as the ladies requested. And to listen again to the singing of the ladies.

Counsel for Defendant objects to that part of the answer pertaining to representations religious philosophy and the Divine Christ

the Court can take no
Cognizance of the truth
or falsity of such physio-
logy but also objects to the
whole of the answer
of the witness as irrel-
evant the same having
occurred nearly seven
years prior to the making of
the deed in question

State whether or not you
ever had any Correspon-
dence with the Defendants
prior to the time you
became acquainted with
them, and if so state
the nature of said Corres-
pondence?

Question objected to by
Defendants on the ground
that it seeks to elicit sec-
ondary testimony.

Mr. Lee. Two letters
I wrote to Ford that the
land on Pine Island
was subject to tax sales

and if he would buy there and settle a Colony they would be subject to a overflow. And if he bought for speculation he would realize a great rise. And that there was plenty of good land on the main land, on which he could find building material. And I merely had land to sell. This was about the contents of my first letter. The answer of the defendants bearing date with record Exhibit "B" and made a part pertinent testimony. I then answered letter Exhibit "B" stating that if I would join the Society it would not be for ease and comfort, but to be among the Chosen children of God. And if they would buy a part of my land I would like a Thousand dollars in cash. And at the Solomon River meeting Walters insisted on

Subject to All if I should at any time need it.

~~In this letter I received~~

I received another letter from Dr. Ford which Complainant now offers in evidence and marked Exhibit "C" and made a part of his evidence

Did You ever in writing to Reynolds anybody any thing in your letters that would lead them to believe that you would give them any of your property?

Ans. I did not.

State whether or not you ever Conveyed any other tract of land to the said Reynolds, and if so where is not the same recorded, and if so In what record?

Ans. Yes. Three hundred

acres - This 20 acres as
aforesaid was reserved for
my son Elvin Dauchler.

Did, this 320 acres including
the 20 so reserved comprise
all of your real estate ?

Ans. Yes, it did.

State whether or not the defendants
ever represented to you, that
they were going to build
a great city at Estero Lee
County Fla. ?

Ans. Yes, many times -

State whether or not, they ever
represented to you that they
were the chosen children
of God ?

Objected to as seeking
to elicit irrelevant testimony.

Ans. Not directly, but in-
directly they did, in
their writings, and in a

paper published by the Evening Star publishing Company of which D Teed is the Editor & one of their publications known as the "Morning Herald" in which they Claim that they are Ecclesia which is a Greek word signifying a which interpreted means the Chosen Children of God. a Copy of said paper being herewith filed and marked Exhibit "D" and made a part of witness testimony —

All the answering witness objected to by Counsel of Pet. on the Ground that it is immaterial, irrelevant and Secondary evidence.

State whether or not you were Continually Known in the Society of the Disciples from the time you became acquainted with them up to the Controversy made

by you on the 29th day of November 1894 and whether or not they did not continually or at intervals during said time represent to you that Agnes A. Tuck was the messenger of the Covenant and Elijah and the Messiah, and that they were going to build a great City at Alva in Lee County Fla?

Question objected to by Defts Counsel as leading -

And Every day, and also on their meetings on Tuesdays, and Sundays - and daily by the members.

State whether or not you believed what they told you to be true, and if you state you believed their statements to be true, state whether or not you gave the said or some part thereof credence on said Oath, and whether

or not you believed you were giving it to the Kingdom of God?

Same objection as above.

Ans. I firmly believed all they told me. I acted not acted and thought I was giving it to the Kingdom of God. I acted not acted when asked. I was acting on the belief of what they told me as true when I gave them the said Donation asked.

State whether or not, Cyrus R. Teed is in fact the Messiah, the Messenger of the Covenant and Flight, as he and they represent him to be.

Counsel for Defendant objects to the Question upon the ground that it calls for acts to elicit the opinion of the witness upon a matter concerning

which he can have no positive knowledge or any knowledge
competent for the Court to
consider And upon the ground
that it seeks to elicit testimony
upon a matter which the
Court cannot consider
or adjudicate — And does
that the Question is irrelevant —

Mr Emphatically & say that
he is not.

Mr Have you known that he
is not the Messenger of the
Convent, the Messenger,
and Elijah Ross he and
the other defendants repre-
resent Lucie to be?

Same objection is made —

Mr By his admission and by
the plain proof of the
Scriptures — Friend he is the
Prince of all sons liars
he is the Father of Confidential
Sharpers He falsified my
deed He falsified Frank

Johnson Ord. Ct. has a
method of ascertaining debts
that he is not willing to
pay, and gives his opinion
so that the Court cannot
take hold yet. Ct and
the entry which is for the
same sets 20000 feet
of timber.

Counsel for Defts. ~~ask~~ move
to strike the answers of the
witness on the ground
that it is improper, irrelevant
and immaterial to the
matters in issue and
that it is not in response
to the question.

State fully to the Court all that
you know in regard to
the Defendant Cyrus R Jed,
that leads you to conclude
that he is all the manner
for of the Complaint and the
Answer, declaration or
Charge and on the Ground
that is only Collateral &c.
opinion of the witness

Acts. Tried he is not Elijah
the prophecy in the 3rd
Chapter of Malachi verses
23 & 24 See no reference
to him. But it has reference
to John the Baptist, and was
fulfilled in him, according
to the testimony of Jesus Christ.
Matthew 11 Chapter 14th verse.
Again Matthew 17th Chapter 11
& 12th verse. Mark 9th Chapter
12 & 13th verse. John the
Baptist was sent from
God, St John 1st Chapter
verses from 6 to 8 inclu-
sive. John the Baptist on
the account of the Christian
dispensation. He Jesus de-
clares himself openly and
in his writings the name
of Sir 2nd Book of Theo-
dosius 2nd Chapter verse
from 1 to 12 inclusive.
Scripture will not let be Contra-
dicted. Jesus Christ, by the
power of Satan, and all of
his works are by the power
of Satan. Jesus Christ that

Messiah or Christ Comes from
the posterity of Joseph
Under the pecan of the Scripture
Genesis Chapter 49 Verses 22
to 26 Verse 24 at the end
of it Says Thence is a
Shepherd, a stone of Israel
is a wrong translation as
you will see in your Bible
Their words in Brackets
meaning that the translation
was not Correct.
These words Thence is a Shep-
herd we have no reference to
Joseph, but to the one above
this, by the Hands of the mighty
one of Jacob, the Second Color
after the word Jacob is wrong.
There is no prophecy at all
in this verse, the whole is a
blessing. The prophecy of Israel
recorded in Chapters 48 Verse
28, and Chapter 49 Verse 26, has
no reference to Cyrus Ford,
but is entirely fulfilled in
Cyrus the Great King of Persia
and Babylon. I am ready
to prove these facts at any

time - Dr Judd is an impostor.
the name of Dr the Prophetic
person of Anti-Christ, the
person of the ~~whole~~ Scripture.
a Judas Iscariot, because
before the Lord was written
he crucified our Lord
in the night kissed me 3
times, when already in his
mind was decided how
to betray me and my son.
He is a corrupter of good
conscience and honesty,
because he makes the people
commit perjury, taking
coal from the Government.
He made Mrs Esther ~~Stocker~~
Stocker the matron of the
Girls sign her name as se-
curity a big note when she
could not a cent, and did
know the punishment of the
same was State prison.
Counsel for defendant was
to strike the entire answer
of the witness upon the ground
that it is improper, misera-
ble and irrelevant, and

that is the true opinion of the witness upon matters not material to the issue.

State to the Court the value of the said 20 acres in Controversy, including all the improvements, and upon what basis of value at the time you gave the same & the improvements?

Ans. This 20 acres was worth for sale. But about 10 & 12 years ago I traded this land and put it down at $50.00 per acre. This 20 acres at the time was worth $1000.00.

Counsel for Defendant move to strike the first two sentences of the above answer upon the ground that it is not responsive to the question.

State if you can afford this land for sale and if not why?

Ans I never offered it for sale because I wanted to save it for my Children and my family to be buried there, and I want my bones to rest beside them.

Q. State whether or not the defendants saw or knew the new Jerusalem the Great City, or Heaven, as they before described to you they were going to do?

Counsel for defendant objects to the question as to the ground that it seeks to elicit irrelevant and immaterial testimony.

Ans. They saw not.

X Q. State the condition and whether or not the defendants or others of them saw or knew when you commenced to build the said City, and if not state what if any circumstances they saw made them or their work known?

Same objection as above —

Ans — They have only set one post 3 feet high, to show the place where the Temple should be built. They have built 3 big houses. 2 of them 2 stories, and one of them 3 stories. One big log house and several small houses about 10 x 16 or 20. Several chicken houses and cow houses. Planted some trees and made a big pine apple shade, and made some walks and did some fishing, and transferred my place to get more room than the requirement they made the last 9 months I done thereon.

Q. As well as you can about the number of people that Cyrus A. led the Expedition, brought to Ezbon during the first year and a half to build up the Colony after you had arrived here

the land, do state about
how many are now on
it at the Colony of Eleuthera?

Objected to by Counsel
for Defendants upon the
ground that it seeks to
elicit immaterial and
irrelevant testimony—

Ans. About one hundred and
thirty, he thought down in-
cluding children. He has
there now about 40 in-
cluding the children—

State whether or not the Defen-
dant Cyrus A. Teed practi-
ces worship or adoration
to the Deity. If so the
followers, and if so state
in what way?

Same objection as above.

Ans. Yes, he does. Turns in
the prayer to him, and then
in the songs to him. There
is a recognizing the respect
that they entertain to said

to get immortality under they worship his body.
Copy of the Prog. being here with filed and marked Exhibit "E", And of the copy marked Exhibit "F".

State whether or not you ever joined the Moreshan Unity, or ever signed any paper indicating your membership?

Ans- I signed a little card asking for membership in to the Society of Arch-Triumph and nothing more.

State the condition of the Colony at Edina financially at the time you left there & about 9 months ago?

Question objected by Counsel for Defendant on the ground that it seeks to elicit inadmissible and immaterial testimony.

Ans- Financially they were

entirely bankrupt, living upon alms.

Are they, or are they not increasing in numbers at this time?

Same objection as above.

Ans- They are going continually down-

Cross Examination

You state in your direct testimony that on the morning you broke the door in pursuit of the deputies, you were under a heavy depression of mind. Explain what you mean by that?

Ans- I was in such a condition of mind, and under such pressure that if you wanted to cut my throat I could not say no.

Please explain your habit of burying your dead on Thanksgiving Days?

Ans. Since more than 30 years my full belief is that I cannot thank a Lord or please the Lord with fasting, but as the scripture tells us, if we not do what we like, then we would keep the day holy - and by burying myself, on these days and working an offering I believed that I served and pleased the Lord better than with fasting. As what would please the natural man.

Prior to the marriage of the deceased did you do any work for the unity, and if so how much, and what kind of work was it?

Ans. Yes I worked many times 18 hours each for 24 - I

was persecuted by the members of the unity who for working too hard and too long. Then I made Bee Keeper and Kept the Bees I made the first year with my own Bees one 270 Gallons of Honey for the benefit of the unity. Besides this one 100 gallons of Honey and 10 swarms of Bees was lost and perished by the ill-treatment which I received by the members of the Unity. Then I worked in Land cultivation and surveying, and in the garden planting trees &c.

Did You ever write any letters and deeds for the members of the unity?

Ans- I wrote some Articles of Articles and Deeds and some letters, but deeds and so deed- I made one or two deeds one deed- for a member and for a Stranger

Did the members of the unity ever ask your advice upon matters of any importance concerning the unity?

Ans. No. Because they were afraid from me all. And also because of my loyalty to D. Jeff and Queen Victoria.

How came you to hear of the Confederate Army in Florida?

Ans- I heard it from Mr Whitside the Merchant at St. James City Fla.

Have ever you to write to D. Jeff?

Ans- Because I heard of Mr Whitside that he brought the (Ans) word from Mr.

Did you know any thing

regarding their religious
beliefs before you came
here?

Ans- Only I wrote for the
Flaming sword the Copy
on file in this testimony-
Objection answer not
responsive-

When you came to Mount Zion-
ating & their religious doc-
trine, did you find that
you had religious beliefs
in some thing similar
to theirs?

Ans- Very little-

Did you first write to Bro Teed?

Ans. Yes.

Did you ask him in your
letter to him when he was
coming to Florida again?

Ans. No.

Did You know through any reason that he was expected to return to Florida?

Ans- No.

Did You not go to Punta Rassa on one or more occasions saying or implying to Dr Ford there?

Ans- No. I neither hoped or expected to see him there.

Did You not write to Dr Ford urging him to buy your land, and urging him to start a Colony on it?

Ans- No.

How came you to write to Dr Ford that if they bought land on this account they would be entitled to confession.

Ans- My love for humanity, and to tell him the truth

Ques Cause you to write him that you had land for sale?

Ans- I wanted to sell it and it was not subjected to overflow

At this time, that is before you had met the Saints and before you had sympathy with their religious worship and did you believe their Doctrine?

Ans- Not at all, I knew no- thing about it- When I received the Flaming sword I saw it was a Communication and I was in sympathy with those people on a Christian footing-

At this time did you believe the Apostles to be the Chosen Children of God?

Ans- I did believe that the whole people were the chosen Children of God, and to the Flaming Sword- Rockwood

they called them Co-Laborers —

Did you want the defendants to start a Colony as you said?

Ans. No, I did not think about it —

Then why did you offer to sell them Your land?

Ans— To get means to help Mr Russell in his missionary work.

Did You not Know at the time that they wanted to buy land to start a Colony on?

Ans— I did Later on by White-side —

At this time were you Familiar with the religious Doctrines of P. J. Russell of Pittsburgh Pa?

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Ans. Yes, I was for 3 years and did missionary work for him.

Is the religious belief of Mr Russell similar to that of Dr Jeeks?

Ans. They are unlike as the God and the Devil. All they agree on is the time prophecies of the Scripture.

Where did Dr Jeed spend the most of his time during the time you were at the unity?

Ans. In Chicago. And on travell.

Please state whether or not if you did work while at the unity, in the way of Correspondence regarding Deed, meeting and having meetings and

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Surveying &c?

Ans. Yes, I did.

Were State authorities or not the Unity was satisfied with your work?

Ans. Yes, they were well pleased with it.

Did whether or not you Considered Yourself a member of the Unity, and as such member, entitled to an interest in the property of the Unity, in Common with the other members of, objected by Complainant Counsel on the Ground that whatever the witness may have Considered himself, if he was not so it would not make him such?

Ans. In reality, I was not member of the Unity

at all, that is not of
the county seat. There
are three degrees to the county
and only the first degree
holds the property, the other
has no charter, I belong to
the Society of Arch Triumphant
and they have no interest.

Please state whether or not
you considered that you
had any interest in
the property of the county
in common with the
other members?
"Objection by Com
plainants Counsel
same as above."

Mr. I cannot say, be
cause the people are to
deceitful. But I did
not so consider I was
entitled.

Q. I understand you to say
that you have no interest in
property to the county but

Ans. Yes Sir, I did so.

After you met Jack at Santa Rosa, shortly after his arrival there, did you urge him to go down to Ventura and look at your land?

Ans. I urged him after his acceptance, was first.

Did you see any land to the vicinity of the time you met Jack at Santa Rosa?

Ans. No.

How long was it after you met Jack at Santa Rosa that he went down to look at your land?

Ans. Two days.

When was it you asked him to go down and look at it?

Ans. I asked him after he accepted to take hold of it.

How was it that he came to accept to take hold of it? Objection on the ground that it is not responsive to the examination.

Ans. It was on New Years day 1894, that I influenced and charmed by the women Sorcerers the day before. I fully believing that he was the messiah of the new dispensation. I could not sleep in the night, made up my mind in the night to transfer my property to the Messiah and the Christian Communion. The next morning I called early

to the Post Office
at Santa Rosa, and
took a Conveyance
to Glen Ellen at Mye.
When I got back from
the Post Office & Jack
met me on board, he
began to talk about my
having so much land,
and that he would build
a Great City, and the land
which I would have worth
nothing to such a high
value that I should give
him any terms. I was
encouraged by his open
loving spirit, and many
who previously knew only of
the Messiah, and I an-
swered him, "There
is not one drop of Speer-
Cotton in me." But for
the Kingdom of God I give
you all, and more out too.
I said there was $2000.
mortgage on the land which
You will have to pay. Then
I said "In reference to

The Christian Covenant with
I would not to be an
Covenant with Sophia
I Know any one but
not Salute or Speak
to for a Year. So it stood
till I am of the 30th
Year where 40 Acres
for my Son. The
Second Year to Reckon
it is Year. Mr Chase
came up to the House with
two Men for Service
he was born Again
And Said, We Accept it
Then I Answered "Now take
Hold of it"

How long was it, that you
Lived with the Family, in
the 20 Acres of Land in
Question, after you
transferred the Deed
to them?

Ans. From the 20th day
of November, if you mean
the 10th day of April 1827.

Were Employed about Seven
weeks on the Second
Survey that Year?

Ans. Yes.

When was it that you and
Mr Jack Smith had a fall
Casting out?

Ans. On the Last Day of
the Year 1796.

Have Mr Jack or any of the
Inhabitants ever Served
You the Proprietor of Leeds
on the Land in Question
with the other necessary

Ans. No

After You Surveyed the 20
Acres to Mrs Cordway
and during the Time You
lived with the County on the
Land did Impressions Ever
Cross your Mind that You
Never Had the

Compartments were be
beg leave for the Chan
cht of the Duty.

Also Sir

Did you make any objec
tion to the Compartments
being so made?

Also, I made Choice, to
Professor Lawrence.
He was at the time Setting
out here to Visit his per
manently, I very humbly
Hearing it was a delicate
Question, did go to him
and say, "Sir I want
to Call you not to appear
now, But Ask you as a
Brother do you Know that
the Word Clergy & Elsewhere
may Sir. Yes he Answ'd
in Short words, Call Doctor
me. If he Says, "We want
to plead the Benefit Clergy
or any thing what is that to
you.

Would Rd this Court?

Ans. In the Beginning of the second year there were.

Did you make any other objections to them during the Court?

Ans. No.

Did Council this Court when you made the objections to Mr Saunderson?

Ans. I served it having received it for Edwin. And I made the objections when I first the Court was made to the Effects.

Did you make any Objection to the Executor or any of them concerning the said Court after you desired Mr Ord to pay the 30 Acres out of the Estate being with the

Clipping Shearing Cut Lambs
Did Captain said Clipping
Shearing Cut Lambs
Clipping Did Clipping Shearing
Cut and made Exhibit
and made a part
of the evidence Exhibit
Cut Lambs Clipping &c &c
the Cutting Shearing

State Whether or not the defendants
made any improvements on the
land Do since you first settled
it & how much and if so what were
it.
Answer Yes they built one log
house and one small house
planted some trees.

State whether or not
Did you ever see the defend
ants Cyrus Dodd or Samuel
Dunn Cultivating Clearing or
any Manner Did that &
Answering a Question of
the Counsel What he reports
Simply to be.
Counsel for Complt objects

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [

objects to the introduction of the above in evidence upon the ground that it is highly prejudicial, irrelevant and immaterial to prove the above fact.

State further on oath that he has personal knowledge of the facts stated in the foregoing affidavit and that the same are true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of May 1914.

[illegible]
Notary Public

Filed May 2nd 1914.

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Clerk.

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Hans Bak,

From Hut 4 Position Build
you below the on the
Oath?

Have Off by Defendt
Counsel with the further
objection That the same
is Irrelevant.

Hans Yes.

Elwin E Danckbeck, being
first duly sworn on oath
says on behalf of Complain-
ant in above entitled Cause
deposes as follows.

My name is Elwin Danckbeck,
my age is Eighteen years,
and I am the son of the
Complainant to this suit,
I am acquainted with the
defendants Cyrus P. Reed,
Mrs Anna E Dewey,
and Mrs Bertha Bowen,

Q. State when and when you first
became acquainted with them?

A. At Punta Rassa Lee
County Florida, and met
them some time in January
1894.

Q. State whether or not you
spoke with them at
that time?

A. Yes.

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State what occured at that time, as near exact as you believe between your father and the defendants while you were at Santa Rosa.

Ans. When we first met them there, father had before written them a letter, and we made their acquaintance, within a half an hour or so after they met they commenced to talk on the subject of religion. And Mrs Bonnie and Mary Mills and Mrs Conway began saying, and Mrs Bonnie asked my father to ask Dr Judd a question on religion. My father then asked Dr Judd what he thought the title Jesus Christ meant, and Dr Judd answer was it meant the Lord Jehovah or God Almighty. Then my father accepted him as the Messenger of the Covenant according to the way he

had expressed Love & Esteem for his person.

Q. Did you observe what time of day it was when you and your father arrived at Santa Rosa and met the Defendants there?

Ans. It was about 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Q. State whether or not the Defendants or either of them expressed to your father that they were any thing in the ordinary mortals, and if so, what did they express each them of them to be?

Ans. They said they expected Christ and the messengers of the Covenant.

Q. State what occurred from the time you met the Defendants until you all retired for the night?

Ans. They had singing

party must act the time.

Did you long you and your father stayed at Santa Rosa with them, and where you went when you left there.

Question objected by Counsel for the defendants on the ground that it seeks to elicit irrelevant and immaterial testimony, the issue not being confined to the issue joined.

Ans. Stayed about two days and a half, then we all went to Estero to fish.

Now, state to the Court, how you and father spent the time while at Santa Rosa, and whether or not the defendants exercised any influence upon your father in a religious manner?

Counsel for defendants objects to above question upon the ground that

the same in vague and
indefinite, and leads to
seek the more spiritual
of the witness.

Wednesday evening I was
spent in singing and
talking about religion.
The next day Dr Jeed and
the Episcopals came out to
Augusta and asked my
father to go to St. James
City and hold it to the morrow.
Thursday the next
morning Dr Jeed, my
father and myself started
for St James City. We
came back to Pinta River
the same evening. When
we got back and during
the absence of the evening
they talked religion again
Dr Jeed told my father that
if he would give up to the
teachings that he would
never die. And also told him
that he would build the
New Jerusalem Church of

in the Bible, that the Israelites would be laid with Earth and that it would be the Largest City in the world, He said that within ten years from that time he would have over four millions people at the New Jerusalem or Essenes.

State whether or not your Father believed what the Prophets and Jesus told him was true, and if so how do you know it?

Same objection as above.

Ans. Yes, he did. Because my Father told me that what the Jesus told him agreed with the Prophets in the Bible.

State how it came to pass that your Father devoted the Largest part of land to the Israelites or Essenes?

Question objected to by Counsel for the Defendants

upon the Grounds that it has not been known that the Fact Concerning which the Question is asked is within the Knowledge of the Witness.

Ans. She was asked by the Defendants Solicitor that if I had purchased the 20 acres, I might know the progress of the Citation.

Stated whether or not there was any other method resorted to by the Defendants or either of them in order to induce Sarah Father & County to them or either of them the said breach of Trust? If so what?

Same Objection as above.

Ans. Yes. They did not, not to my Knowledge.

Stated whether or not there was any influence brought to

Was upon your Father
his Order to induce him, by
the Defendants or either of them,
to convey to them or either of
them the said 90 acres tract
of land. And if so what
kind of such influence was
exerted upon him?

Same objection as above,
and upon the further ground
that the question has been
before been asked and been
answered by the witness.

Ans. I don't think I do.

Cross Examination

Have you and your
Father to whom that the
Defendants were at Rents
Rooms as you have be-
fore?

Ans. We had been up at St.
Louis selling some Cattle
and then we and they were
together, when we met with
a Defendant and ordered

spending the night at
Black Rock, and there
met D Jeed.

Were you present when the
deed to the 90 acres in
question was executed?

Ans. No.

Redirect

State whether or not you
spoken of a subsequent
man and devoted much
of his time to the study
Ans. Yes sir, and devoted
much most of his time
to the Bible.

State whether or not he
was an excessive student
of the Bible, and if so, did
he carry the book an
undue degree to affect his mind
on the question of religion?
Ans. Yes he did very much so.

So much so that it is thought by most persons in the neighborhood to be a case of religious Counsel for Defendant means to obtain the answer of the witness on the ground that it is simply hearsay testimony.

Elvira E. Landsdale,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th Day of January 1898.

James L. Hare,
Notary Public

Dr L C Washburn being duly sworn first duly sworn, as a witness in behalf of Complainant in above entitled Cause testifies as follows:

Q. Your name is L. C. Washburn
I am Seventy two years of age. I am a Practicing Physician, and reside in Fort Wayne Lee Co. Ia. Have been practicing medicine and Surgery for forty three years.

Q. Washburn state if you are acquainted with the Complainant and Defendant to this suit?

Ans. Have been acquainted with Mr Danckoka the Complainant for more than 12 years. I am over the Defendant.

Q. State whether or not you have ever had any dealings or business matters

Have professional Co-
ven with persons of
unsound mind or with
persons that is not
sound mentally on
all subjects or on any
particular subject?

Counsel for Defendant
object to that question
upon the Ground that the
proper foundation
has not been laid for
the introduction of Ex-
pert testimony and
upon the Ground that
it calls for illicit irrel-
evant testimony.

Ans- Yes, I have quite
frequently.

With whether or not such
experience would enable
You to form an opinion
Correctly with Certain
individuals & Certain
individuals to Certain
Yes to determine whether

is not such persons
as such a person was
mentally prepared on
any particular subject,
that they may have con-
versed with you about,
& that you may have
heard them talking about?
- Same objection as above
and upon the ground
that the question is
vague and indefinite,
and seeks to elicit the
testimony inadmissible
to prove the issues joined.
Ans- It would.

State whether or not your
experience and acquain-
tance with the Complainant
is sufficient or has been
sufficient to enable
you to determine whether
or not he has any de-
ficiency of mental
capacity or any pecu-
liarity of character and

Q. Do you state as what subject?

Same objection as above,

Ans. My experience with the Complainant is sufficient to enable me to decide. And that is, he is deficient mentally, on the subject of Religion. He has been deficient ever since the case of his wife and other members of his family, I could not say before that, and I believe that was about ten years ago.

Cross Examination

When did you first meet Mrs. Newkirk, and where?

Ans. Since being over 12 years ago, and here in Fort Meyers. I met her this side of Punta Rassa [illegible] in 1880.

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Did You have any Conversation with Lucie at that time?

Ans- Yes, I talked a little with Lucie, but not much.

When was the next time You met Lucie?

Ans- I cannot not the Parsonage, but it was accasionally from that time to the present.

What do You mean by occasionally?

Ans- Well I should mean at intervals from 1 to 2 to 3 months. I have often met Lucie in the Church at the Church services and Sabbath Schools and Conversed with Lucie upon the subject of religion. Met Lucie at Jonesboro Louisiana

Is it your professional knowledge as a Doctor of Medicine that leads you to conclude that he is mentally unsound upon the subject of religion, or is it the result of your general knowledge of men and things?

Ans. Mostly upon my professional knowledge being associated with the trial of persons in Court for insanity.

Do I understand you to conclude that ~~his~~ religious beliefs are unsound?

Ans. I could not conclude his religious beliefs to be strictly unsound because I believe he is mentally deficient upon the subject of religion, while I have one opinion on my own account

the next.

What do you mean when you say that he is mentally deficient upon the subject of religion?

Ans. I mean unsound in judgment.

Then Doctor do I understand you to mean that he is mentally deficient upon the subject of religion because you consider his judgment unsound?

Ans. Unsound upon the subject of religion. I would not like to say his judgment was unsound on every thing.

Do you consider his judgment unsound because you consider his religion wrong or otherwise?

Ans- I would not like to say his religious beliefs were erroneous in any one, more particularly on account of them being vacillating and changeable.

How before do I understand you to say that you consider his mental capacity upon the subject of religion deficient because he is vacillating in his beliefs?

Ans- Partly because of that. And perhaps by conduct towards and studying over the matter. I never knew any trouble with the mind in that respect until after the death of his wife and the loss of property. In my family, he may have had such trouble before, but I had not sufficient

opportunity to know them.

Have you ever made a physical examination of Mrs Dewey Kohler with the view to ascertaining the condition of his brain, with an affecting his mental capacity upon the subject of religion?

Objected to by Counsel for Complainant on the ground that it is not in evidence, that the proper predicate has not been laid nor that the Complainant has deposed this fact.

Ans. Have not, which I could not do without examining it.

Is it not a fact that your opinion as to the mental capacity of the Complainant on the subject of religion would depend

Your General Knowledge,
Men and things, and
not from your knowledge
of as a Doctor of medicine?

Objection upon the ground
that the witness has not
stated as to his opinion
but as to his knowledge.

Ans. It is not Principally
from my professional
knowledge, and partly
from observation.

Please state in what way
your knowledge of medi-
cine has led you to con-
clude the complainant
is mentally unsound upon
the subject of religion,
and what are the facts and
conditions existing in
relation to the Complain-
ant that led you to the
conclusion?

Objection on the ground
that it is not in rebuttal

of any thing on the Direct, and that the witness has not stated that it is upon his knowledge of medicine.

Ans. From a long period of practice of medicine and being called upon for expert testimony in many cases of trial for insanity and from my knowledge of jurisprudence. The conditions in this case are, that I find him to be a very, pious man, and opposed to the cards, personal. The nervous condition depressed at time and then again excited, the peculiarity of the eye, and character in mind upon the morning of passages of scripture such religious conclusions.

Is this your full opinion as to the facts and conditions in relation to Carpenter, the books, Jew & Cards

as you have stated?

Ans. It is my full explanation could, but there are many things that I might bring in as evidence for my knowledge of the case.

Q. Are these things are the result of your knowledge I would receive please state them to the Court?

Ans. Only from my knowledge & experience and jurisprudence, and partly from general knowledge and observation. It is by his general acts and conduct and his personal nervous appearance and at times extreme conditions.

Q. Are you familiar generally with Nevada laws in the year 1894?

Ans. I have not been

many times that I can not say positively as to Date.

Counsel for Appellees then argues to think all the evidence of the witnesses for the following grounds 1st That the proper foundation was not laid for the introduction of Expert testimony. 2nd That the testimony shows that the opinion of the mental condition of the Complainant is not based upon his knowledge of Medicine, 3 because the testimony does not show that the Complainant is afflicted on the subject of Religion, 4 because the testimony shows that a proper examination was not made by the witness to determine the mental condition of the Complainant, in accordance with the knowledge of medicine, 5 because the testimony does not show that the witnesses knew the mental

condition of the Complain-
ant at the time the deed
to the 20 acres of land,
in question was made.

L. B. Washburn III

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 27th Day
of January 1898.

James L. Hart
Notary Public

Wm Pratt being introduced under oath being first duly sworn in behalf of the Complainant for this the 29th day of January A.D. 1898, testifies as follows.

My name is Catharine A Wall, my residence is Fort Myers Lee County Fla. My age is 55 years. I am well acquainted with both the Complainant and the defendants in this suit.

How long have you known Hannah Craig the defendant?

Ans. I have known her Ever since I was a child for the past 12 years. have known Mrs Craig the same length of time, and have been well acquainted with Mrs Barron 3 years or over.

What kind of a reputation does Hannah Craig bear in the community in which she lives?

with the people known
as the Koreshans work
& Deed to the Land
Agent or Secretary?

Ans- I did not know
for four months or
a little more.

Q- Is the Court House
for Lease to Rent to
Koreshans?

Objection by Counsel
for Defendant upon
the Ground that it
does not reflect title
and is hearsay.

Ans- As I said the Agent
told me that I
would Go down
there he would give
me a nice piece of
Land & put my
house on. He said
that he would Give me
a Deed to the piece of
Land on a Lease of

you have on it, or
any copy that I would
see. At the time he made
this statement to me
he did not own the
ground, he had not got
the deed from Dan
Kohler. I secured the
deed after I came to
Toledo, and he did
not get the deed until
two months after my
arrival. He sent
for me the deed in
a packet by a person,
and I sent him receipt
the promise.
Account for difference
seems to exist as to
amount of the consid-
eration. The fact that
it is unfortunate, deadens,
deeds unpleasant and
uncomfortable existence,
but the Accountant
does what and when
he does that, can't

meet the defendant
Cyrus R. Vance and
that State whether or not
he represented Cyrus R.
Vance or not
Counsel for defendant
objects to the question
that it is vague and
unspecific and calls
for a conclusion and
argumentative.
Court: The objection
is overruled. You may
answer if you
know.
The Witness: I met him in Chicago,
he was at the law meeting. He there and then
told me he was the
Mayor of the City of
New York & the Chairman
of the Democratic

and the Re-incorporation
of Jesus Christ.

Shall the Court the method
used by the Defendants
& the Defendant Byers
K Reed in soliciting
of Rey, in obtaining
Consents to his religion,
and what State which
is not be used any other
than a legitimate method,
in obtaining Consent?
Counsel for Defendants
objects to these questions
upon the ground that
it seeks to elicit evidence
of fraud, irrelevant under
and immaterial to
the issues.

The Court overrules the
objection and tells them that
if they find the Unity
they are sure Decision
that he cannot consider
he should not charge
to find for God, that he

Wonderful to the Sense
of God. That all our
possessions must
be known as Christian
and all things to be
held in Common.

State what is the fundamental or principal
Doctrines of the Mormon
Church Unity & their faith
Some objections as
above

Ans. Communication
Unity and Redemption
Ans the inside
Unity - Ans - that we
all live on the inside
of the Gate, That is
the whole Church and
Outside are the Un-
believing & the
Unbelieving Faith

Ans which must be
founded Upon A Faith
in the Mission & the
Mission of the Comforter

according to your belief,
and if you state that he
is not, according to the
best of your belief, then
state why he is not, and
your reasons in
believing he is not,"
Counsel for Defendant
objects to whose question
upon the ground
that it seeks to elicit the
opinion of the witness
by referring to that
law upon which the
can have no knowledge.
Complaint for the Court
to Consider and upon
the ground that it seeks
to elicit confusion in-
relevant, incompetent
and immaterial.

Ans. Because he has dealt
very dishonestly with
me, in all my business
transactions with him.
I feel he has not an
honest character.

to the effect that belong-
ed to the unity to Punta
Gorda, under his promise
to make me the deed a
lease to the place and
then obtain his pay, but
never so made me the
deed a lease once after
he got the deed he only
took stand in an open
meeting the next night
after my arrival in Elsa.
that Mrs Ware had brought
a lease down here, but
it was not executed proper
by all the owners.

Counsel for defendant moves to
strike out the answer of the Mr
on the ground that the answer
is immaterial and irrelevant and
incompetent to prove the issues
framed.

Mr Mack please state fully
all of your reasons for asking
that the defendant's answer
be - is not that he wishes

Timothy to Lee,

Upon objection as
above quoted

Ans.

I believe he is one
of the biggest frauds on
the face of the Earth, he does
not practice what he preaches,
he holds out inducements
to people to get their Capital
and money and then beats
them so mean they cannot
stay there. The people do not
have confidence enough to
live on and enable them to
work and they are Clothed
by outside friends

Can't for defendant moves
to strike for answer of the
Witness because the same is
the opinion of the witness
upon matters inadmissible
to prove the issues joined
because the same is not
in response to the question

And because the same is
objectionable, irrelevant and
incompetent testimony.

State whether or not you
are well acquainted with the
man Daubbler the Complainant.

Ans. I lived in a town
with him for four
months.

State whether or not he is
a very religious man.

Ans. I know that he is,
crazy on the subject
of religion. You can
smoke me this very easily
by talking religion to
him and can make him
do most any thing.

Counsel for defendant moves
to strike the answer from the
record because the same is not
responsive to the question

And Defendant's Counsel is as to the Sanity of the Complainant a proper foundation was having been laid for the introduction of expert testimony. And Defendant's Counsel the Court is instructed to disregard all evidence given by Expert Witnesses touching the Sanity of the Complainant.

Also. State whether or not the Opinions of Witnesses given upon the Examination of the Complainant or either of them had any improper influence upon him while he was at the Guild or Edmonds or before the Defendant Court the 20 days before the Contempt.

Also. If Yours nothing about the Counsel for the Defendant objected upon the ground that

the Question does not
Confine the answer
to the witness to the
undue influence used
upon the Complainant
by the defendants which
influenced the Complainant
in making the deed.

Ans. Every body there
knew there was influence
to get the Complainant
to make the deed. There
was not but a little differ-
ence right. Not Grier
A Ford, 3 weeks I know
E. Grier A Ford, Anna
E. Brown, Mary Hill
and Bertha Bonner were
pleading with her to
have the property over
when the Complainant
would scream and
holler out, "My God! My
God! will I or shall
I give my own property
away," then I saw and
heard Mary Hill. Then

Cyrus R. Teed said, "We will let you keep 20 acres for Elvin if you will give us the rest. We will clothe him and educate him and board him until he is 21 years old. And we will take care of you as long as you live."

Counsel for defendants move to strike out the answer of the witness not responsive to the question, and what the complainant said. And the entire answer of the witness because the same is irrelevant, immaterial and incompetent, whether or not you are well acquainted with Mrs. Annie Chase and whether or not you have conversed with her often, and if you have also had talk with her concerning matters here with other persons?

Cross- Counsel for defendant objects to this question because the same seeks the introduction of inadmissible testimony -

Ans- I am well acquainted with him, and have frequently conversed with, and heard him frequently conversing with others.

Have you ever had any disagreement of a personal character with him, and if so state what the subject?

Same objection as above and upon the ground that the foundation has not been laid for the same

duction of respect to
Country, and upon
the ground that it
leads the mere opinion
of the witness, upon
matters concerning
which the witness is
not competent to tes-
tify.

Ans. I don't know
whether you would
call it argumentative
or not, but I have seen
him for hours at a
time raving around
hollering and scream-
ing, and wanting to
fight his own two or
three times. And as
the subject of religion,
we would call him a
religious fanatic up
north.

Note which is not from
you. Reporter.
with the Commissioner.

and from your observations during the year 1894, if it is to your opinion which the work executed upon the subject proposition, during the last or latter part would you?

Objection same as above.

Ans. I do. It is.

Q. State when and where you first met the Corporation Counsel Mr. Brownell.

Ans. At Eatons in the fall of 1894.

Note. The Printed as great as you can.

Ans. At the Latter part of November or the first of December. I don't know which but I think it was

the latter part of November

Qu. Was Dr Yeadon or any of the defendants in Fla at this time?

Ans. Yes they were all there. Dr Yeadon and my Ordinary met me at St James and took me down to Estero in their sloop.

Since I state how long it was as well as I can remember, that Dr Yeadon staid in Fla.

Can state the first of Feb ~~January~~ I never knew I heard him the money to leave me

State how and the defendants Mrs Ordinary and Mrs Bowne treatment?

I do not know how long

Mrs Bacon stated that the Ordinary should until the first of April.

Cross Exd, in cross direct testimony of the defendants counsel trying to instruct Mrs Dunnoblin to deed any certain land the Court what Land do you refer to?

Ans Why the land ~~that~~ Mrs Dunnoblin claims which it was.

Were many acres?

Ans 320 as they say.

When you first came to Eatonton had Mrs Dunnoblin deeded any of his land to the defendants

Ans Just the 4 Acres of

When did this misfortune on the part of the Expedition upon Mr Danckelman occur?

Ans. I don't know I got there sunday morning and they were having trouble with them. Yeast told me they were having trouble in getting Mr Danckelman that he had such a violent temper.

Q. When this occurred immediately after your arrival at Retina did it?

Ans. Yes sir.

Coun. When was it as well as you can remember that the Complainant added his land to Mr Brown

Ans. I never did know this. I came to my own place from Kalaina

in the night "My God"
"My God, why did I
get my eyes pushed
away."

Did the Complainant
receive any of the accu-
sations or for his
own?

Ans- His own Lawyer
told me he had receiv-
ed 20 cents per
hour - I did not know
it personally -

Do you know any
thing whatever of the
Complainant attend-
ing the session of
the 20 cents hour
Ordinance at a late date?

Ans- Only from hearsay -
That is I understand
from them the Citizens
Committee that met you

Have related with reference to the influence used by the defendants upon the Complainant as to the boundaries of certain property in with reference to the matters of Complaint and Inquiry of Mrs. Bowers in which the Complainant received 20 acres for his own Claim, and does not refer to the boundaries of the said 20 acres by the Complainant, to Mrs A. F. Bowers which took place at a later date?

And If not the 20 acres that the influence was used to get Ted Bowers other Heirs Reading that they were entering 20 acres each and that they ought to have the

Ref

ether Dr Ford. His
words were "he ought
to have it."

Had the Superintendent
members of the Unity
been working in
harmony on these
matters?

Ans- I don't know
whether or the Dr
were or not. I be-
lieve frequently
when Dr Ford
to Dr Jewett that, "We
don't want to spend
any more money
in improvements for
until we own the land."

Did Dr Jewett or you in
his letters that are
filed herewith refer
to Dr Ford's interference?

Ans- Yes Sir.

did he, as far as you know, make a practice of listening to his counsels before they joined the unity?

Ans- I think he did, so far as I know- and if they did not turn in all their possessions at the time of joining the society, then all his admonitions to the society was instituted by God to use their principal powers to influence them to do so- This power is the first in the first thing he does his counsel- He by prayer and his counsels make prayer by all the people- Counsel for a period not more to strike at the union and in response to the petition, and here give notice to the Court that he objects to the petition

Evans for Plaintiff

the purpose of the person
having of the cards -

Did Mr Jack in his lectures
teach that on accepting
the Homeless Faith the
property of the Converts
must be turned over
to him ?

Ans - Not in all cases.

Did you Yahan the Practice
of the Homeless Faith as
taught by Mr. Jack -

Ans - I did in some time -
until I was enabled
to throw off that influence
by Good Wisdom surrounded
me -

Do you consider that all
that was taught by Mr Jack as
the Homeless Faith as
taught by Mr Jack religious
practices as you have now
to happen ?

Answer Yes Certainly

and objects to the question on the ground, that the Circumstances of Witness and of the Trial Counsels is not at issue in this Cause and the same is irrelevant.

Ans. Every one of them - The reason why I think so, all of them that I know of, was seeking after some new religion -

Q. You consider the Complainant a religious Sect?

Ans. Certainly I do.

Q. You consider the Complainant morally depraved in all subjects, or did you mean to confine it to his mental Derangement on the subject of religion?

Ans. I thought I was plain enough. You could not

Our Lien. I may be mistaken about it, but that is my opinion, from his actions.

Subscribed & sworn to and acknowledged before me this 2nd day of February A.D. 1878.

James L. Hagan
Notary Public

Dr. William Hearon being first duly sworn in behalf of Complainant, deposes & says that my name is William Hearon, I am a practicing Physician and Surgeon and reside in Fort Meyers Lee County Fla. My age is 37 years, I am acquainted with Dr Ted the Defendant and Mr Blackshear the Complainant. Both years the last year.

Q. Please state whether or not you are a practicing Physician and if so

Case Cary Jan Case
Married Medium
Occ. Age 28 years.
Has taken a wet Cary
Jan Fortified Cream
Jan Kar Kad Cured 92
Percent Sick Headache
Entirely Cured.

Occ. Age
Has fully Cured at Cary 92
Percent Jan Operating
Ca Ca Cured Jan Year
Afterwards Do Not Ca
Feel Sick Only Once.

Occ. Age 40 years.
Has Ca Expect Kar
Carefully Occ. Jan
Ca Jan Ca Pleasant
Ca Ca Ca Cured Ca Ca
Entirely Cured. Ca
Ca Ca Jan Jan Jan
Ca Ca Ca Ca Ca Ca
Ca Ca Ca Ca Ca Ca

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that whether or not Your experience in dealing with persons of unsound mind would enable you to discern a person of any unsoundness mentally so as a Citizen individual if you had been shown abroad
Continually with such
for a Number of Years
a person and had Conversed frequently with him and for a hour then Conversing with him you were to
Counsel for Defendant objects to show Testimony upon the ground that the same is vague and Unspecific and upon the ground that Counsel for Complainant has not shown the relation between the facts sought to be brought out in the Answer and the matters found in
this Bill

State to the Court, how long
you have been acquainted
with the Complainant
Susan Shattuck?

Ans- I have known him
for more than 10 years.

State whether or not you have
seen him during
this time, and if so about
how often?

Ans- I have met him
at intervals for a few
months during a part
part of that time.

State whether or not during
the time you were
acquainted with him
and from your observa-
tions you had of him
he has proved
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Ans-
Answered to Interrogatory

objects to about Question upon the ground that the proper foundation has not been laid for the introduction of Expert testimony.

Cross Exam.

Note to the Court about how long ago, as near as you can, that you learned a process that the Complainant was mentally possessed?

Objection to above.

Ans. In the year 1887, after the accession of Garfield which I paid to him at his House in Elberton Ga.

Note whether or not you continued your Examination of the Subject matter of the Question, if upon a Postponement of Subject, and if so when.

answers upon a particular subject, state what it is?

Have objections to above. Religious grounds upon this particular subject.

Not whilst a real Jew am acquainted with the Duke of Tolero, upon which Mr Davenhill bid, and also what is the value of the land upon which he bid per acre?

Counsel for Plaintiff objects to above question upon the ground that it seeks to elicit hearsay evidence.

Ans. I am acquainted with the Duke of Tolero & he owns 7 or 800 acres of land on Tolero Creek, but am unable to say what it is.

market value is -

Cross Examination

Do you think that in saying you say that you are frequently called upon to examine persons who are accused to be of unsound mind &c. Please state the nature of the examinations you made of these persons for that purpose?

Ans- The English Lunacy Acts require that no person shall be committed to any Lunatic Asylum without the Certificate of two Physicians one Medical man, and in the case of a Non Resident two medical men which certificate must clearly set forth specifically facts whether by insanity &

mental unsoundness, observed by the medical officer in charge of the district to which the Lunatic belongs. The object of the Examination therefore is elicit these sufficient proofs of such insanity. The nature of the Examination naturally varies with the nature of the case, for instance in the case of a raving lunatic, a mere inspection of his Condition may be all sufficient, while in the case of mental delusion a prolonged colloquial examination is often required to elicit the particular unsoundness of mind which the patient proves.

In which of the above cases, does the Examination of Lunatics for Lunacy Certificates

the Complainant to Know?

Ans- I Object to neither of this two Questions, but to rather to an intermediate Class in which the Questions were plainly discoverable -

Can you or not make any further explanation of the Complainant to enable you to determine his mental Condition, & are you able to testify as an expert thereon?

Ans- Well While I have not been called upon to make an examination as to his mental Condition, it was plainly apparent to me when I visited him at his Home in 1859, that he was then suffering from Religious Insanity & that he had suffered from it

Can you testify as to the mental condition of the Complainant in this proceeding during the year 1894 of your own knowledge?

Ans. Yes.

How many times did you see him during that year?

Ans I cannot say how many times, but I saw him at irregular intervals for a few months during the year 1894.

William J. Hurst
M.R.C.P. & R.C.S. Edin.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of February 1898.

James K. Hare
Master in Chancery

Dr. J. E. Langford being first duly sworn in behalf of the Complainant in above entitled cause testifies as follows—

My name is J. E. Langford, I am a resident of Lee County Florida and my age is 50 years. I know Mrs. Drenkhahn the Complainant, but do not know personally any of the Defendants—

State how long you have known the Complainant?

Ans—Have known her for 10 or 12 years, met her when she first came to this County.

State whether or not you have ever been sued in this County since that time up to the present time, and if so for what?

Ans- That his association with Lord Cecil was not very close.

State whether or not you have formed any opinion in regard to his mental condition and whether or not you have formed such an opinion, what that opinion is? That is from your acquaintance with and observation of

Ans- Yes, I formed an opinion- While I don't consider him what you would call a crazy man, I don't consider him perfectly balanced, but what you might call a queer

J. E. Laughton

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of July 1898. James L. Hoar Notary Public

Counsel for defendant
interposes objection
to the last question
upon the ground that
it seeks the mere opin-
ion of the witness upon
which he can have no
knowledge competent
to be considered in
evidence and upon the
ground that the same
seeks the introduction
of expert testimony with-
out the proper foundation
being first laid.

Counsel now intro-
duces in evidence a
written preparation
which was handed to the
defendant after they had
filed their answer in
the cause, & being
plated in said answer
on the 13 page thereof
but they were duly and
timely at any time to have
their said answer to the

said Klein Deutschles
the sum of Complainant
other property & chattels
equivalent in value to
the value of the said 20
acres in Controversy at
the time the same Convey
to them by the Complain-
ant - The said written
proposition being handed
to them by the Complain-
ant through his Attorney
and returned with the
statement by Defendants
Attorney that the said
proposition was ignored
The same being Seventh
filed and marked Exhibit
"O" -

Counsel for Defendants
then objects to the admis-
sion in evidence of
the said proposition
because the same is in-
admissible and irrelevant
& from the circumstances
set in evidence by the
Plaintiff and Defendants

in this Cause.

The time for taking the testimony in this Cause having elapsed on the 2nd day of February A.D. 1848. the Cause having been brought to an issue on the 2nd day of November A.D. 1847. by the Complainant filing his exhibits on the said day in this Cause and the Counsel for Complainant having announced that he must put case further on hearing, the taking of testimony was closed, and I am instructed in Chancery by to respectfully to report that the following named persons were witnesses for the Complainant Clarissa Dunkle, Dr. L C Washburn, Mrs Catharine Strode, Mrs Hanson, Mrs Dr Yeo Complainant after being duly sworn & stated the truth the whole truth & nothing but the truth in the matters & things in controversy between the parties to this suit & the said Complainant

Reduced to writing
which is hereto attached
containing numbered from Page
One to Page Two Hundred
and Thirteen (213) inclusive
and it is agreed by the parties
hereto and Counsel, that
further Proceedings report as
may Conclusions Risk from
said testimony that the
Allegations of Complaint be
Not been Sustained

Dated July 2. 1894

Jesse L. Hunt
Master in Chancery

