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State of Indiana, Fulton county, ss.

Fulton Court of Common Pleas, January Term, A. D. 1856.

Rachel Bowers.

vs.

Rebecca McGuire,
Hannah Spencer,
Mary McPeak,
Druzilla Bowers,
Lydia Cowen,
Jacob Dorman Bowers,
Susan Davis,
Cynthia Ann Wittenberger,
John Appleton Bowers,
Sarah Matilda Bowers,
Elizabeth Bowers,
Josiah Bowers,
Nancy Jane Bowers.

Petition for
Dower.

IT being made to appear by affidavit, that the above named defendants, Rebecca McGuire, Hannah Spencer, Mary McPeak, Druzilla Bowers, Lydia Cowen, & Jacob Dorman Bowers, are non residents of the State of Indiana; they are therefore hereby notified of the filing and pending of said petition, and that unless they appear and answer thereto at the next term of this Court, to be holden at the Court House in Rochester, on the first Monday in January next, the same will be taken as confessed.

L. W. HOLEMAN, For Petition.

L. N. BOZARTH, Ck.

Dec. 13, 1855.

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State of Indiana
Fulton County

And this 15th day of July, 1856

before the undersigned Clerk of the Fulton Court of Common Pleas, ~~James Thompson~~ ~~James Thompson~~ who after being duly sworn says that at the date of the annexed notice he was ~~editor and publisher~~ of

the "Rochester Flag" a weekly

newspaper of general circulation printed and published in said County, and that said notice was published in said paper on the 15th day of December 1855 and on 22nd and 29th day of the same month.

Sworn to & subscribed

before me July 15, 1856 } Thomas Crumble

L. N. Bozarth
Ck.

Printers fee \$3.00

Affidavit
of
J. W. Holman

Filed Dec 11th 1853

E. N. Boyette
Clerk

By W. C. Good Dep

I am informed that the following heirs of William Bowers dec^d are non residents of the State of Indiana and I verify, believe the same to wit
Rebecca McGuire, Hannah Spencer, Mary
McPeak, Druzilla Bowers Lydia Cowan &
Jacob Dorman Bowers

J. W. Holman

Subscribed & sworn to before me
Dec 11. 1855

G. H. Beazant Clerk

By Wm. C. Gooden

Attorn. C. C. Pias 20

Rachel Bowers
vs $\frac{2}{3}$ Petition for
 $\frac{1}{3}$ Dower

Rebecca M. Quire

Hannah Spencer

Mary M. Peab

Drizilla Bowers

Lydia Cowen

Jacob Dorman Bowers

Susan Davis

Cynthia Ann W. Huntington

John Appleton Bowers

Sarah Matilda Bowers

Elizabeth Bowers

Josiah Bowers &

Nancy Jane Bowers

Filed Dec 11th 1855

L. N. Boyette Clk

By W. C. [unclear]
[unclear]

W. Holman atty

State of Indiana Fulton County ss:

In the Court of Common Pleas of said County at the January Term thereof A.D. 1956

Your Petitioner Rachel Bowers widow and executrix of William Bowers late of said County deceased. Respectfully represents to your honor that she is a tenant in common with the children and heirs at law of said decedent to wit:

Rubeca McGraw, Hannah Spence, Mary McPeak, Susan Davis, Doreyella Bowers, Lydia Brown, all of whom are over the age of twenty one years and residents of the State of Ohio, except Susan Davis who is a resident of Fulton County: also the following children by this

Petitioner Cynthia Ann Wittenburg - over 21 years a resident of Fulton County

John Apperton Bowers over 21 years a resident of Fulton County

Geob. Donnan Bowers over 21 years a resident of the State of Iowa

Sarah Matilda Bowers over 21 years a resident of Fulton County

And the following minor heirs residing with your petitioner in said County -

Elizabeth Ann Bowers aged 18 years

Lessiah Bowers aged 16 years

Nancy Lane Bowers aged 14 years

In the following described land of which the said William Bowers died seized in fee The West fractional half of section nineteen Township Thirty North of Range five East Fulton County containing in all one hundred and eighty five acres, worth probably with the improvement thereon about three thousand Dollars, and that said decedent died intestate, and that this Petitioner is entitled to one third of said land,

Now Petitioner would therefore pray that said heirs may be made defendants to this suit, and that this Court may appoint competent Commissioners to appraise over and set apart to her the Dower to which she may be entitled in said land,

See 3rd 1855

And such other and proper relief in the premises as may be necessary.

[Signature]
A. M. Johnson

Respectfully Submitted
Rachel ^{Widow} Bowers
[Initials]

The answer of Wm. H. Shuler guardian ad litem of the minor heirs above named after being appointed & sworn for that purpose is that he knows of no good cause why the prayers of said petition may not be granted. He therefore consents to the prayers of said Petitioner and puts the interest of said minors under the protection of this Court.

W. H. Shuler
Guard. Ad. Litem

State of Indiana } In The Fulton County of Common
Fulton County of } Pass April Term A.D. 1857

The undersigned Isaac Pontius Samuel S. Terry and Lyman P. Loveland, Commissioners, appointed by said Court at the Oct. Term A.D. 1856 to sit apart and appraise to Rachael Powers the widow of William Powers late of said County deceased, the one third part in value of the Real Estate of which said William Powers died seized. Situated in said County of Fulton bearing attention to the duties assigned to us by the Order of said Court, would submit the following Report of our doings. We have set apart the one third part of said Real Estate in value as nearly as may be and assigned the same to Rachael Powers in compliance with the Order of said Court and described as follows to wit commencing thirty (10) Chained north of the fourth Section post on the west line of Section Nineteen (19) Township thirty (30) north of Range five (5) East in the corner of the State Road running an easterly direction from the Town of Achan Fulton County Indiana thence South with said Section line Twenty three (23) Chained and eighty eight (88) links to a post with bearing trees described as follows to wit Sargan twelve (12) inches in diameter South thirty (30) East forty one (41) links to Hickory twelve (12) inches in diameter North fifty three and a half (53 1/2) equal west fifty seven and a half (57 1/2) links thence east twenty three (23) Chained and forty four links (44) to a post with bearing trees described as follows to wit Birch fourteen (14) inches in diameter to north sixty six (66) ^{degrees} West thirty five links (35)

with Hickory fourteen (14) inches in diameter. South to twenty
 two and a half (22 1/2) degrees west eighty five (85) links
 thence north with the line running from the fourth
 section post on the south line of said section to the fourth
 section post on the north line of said section. distance
 (19) chains and eighty eight (88) links to the center of said
 road thence ^{north} ~~thence~~ ~~distance~~ ~~distance~~ ~~thence~~ ~~fourth~~ (79 1/2)
 degrees west with said road to the place of beginning
 containing fifty (50) acres more or less.

The above described parcel of part
 of the ~~South~~ ~~Said~~ ^{Estate} of Mrs. Binard decreed me to
 apart and assign to the said Rachel Binard be-
 lying the one third part of the residue of said real
 Estate in law.

Submitted

All of which is respectfully

Isaac Pontius }
 Symon J. Poitland } Commission

Commissions Fees	
Isaac Pontius three days (\$2.00) per day	\$ 6.00
S. J. Terry 1/2 " " "	3.00
S. J. Poitland four " " "	12.00

State of Indiana } Fulton County }
Fulton County } Common Pleas }
Oct. Term 1856

Rachel Powers }
v }
The heirs of Wm Powers dec'd }
} Petition for Partition

Now comes into Court said
plaintiff by J. W. Holman her Attorney and
on his motion this matter is set down
for hearing. And it appearing to the satisfac-
tion of the Court that due notice has been
given in this behalf as required by law. And
Wm W. Shuler Esq Guardian ad litem for
the minor heirs appearing in their behalf
and making answer to said petition and
said Petition being read and the Court
being sufficiently advised, set this matter
down for hearing. And after deliberation
it was thereby ordered and decreed by said
Court that the lands set forth in said petition
be divided and that said petitioners have one
Equal third in value of said lands, to wit,
The West fractional half of section Nineteen
(19) Township Thirty (30) North Range five
East ~~in~~ Fulton County and State of
Indiana, and containing in all one hund-
red and eighty five (185) acres

And the Court thereupon appointed
Isaac Portians, Samuel S. Terry and Lyman
J. Lovland as Commissioners to divide said
estate according to this decree, requiring
them first to take an oath before some per-
son authorized to administer the same
honestly & faithfully to discharge their duties

in this behalf and assign and set apart to
said Rachel Powers one third in value of
said lands and report their proceedings to
this Court as soon thereafter as practicable.

In testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and
the seal of said Court

This Oct 8th 1856

Joseph J. Davis

Clerk C. C. P.

Dec the 16th 1854

Personally came before me the
Subscriber a Justice of the Peace
in and for said County, Isaac
Fenton of Louisiana and S. S.
Berry and were duly sworn according
to law

J. M. Shields, J. P.

PAGE 200 clerk.

In the matter of the estate
of William Bowers deceased

The Court now in all things ratify
and accept as the act of this Court the appointment of William
B. Borch as administrator upon said Estate and approve
of the bond taken by the clerk in vacation

Probate Order Book A
Fulton County, Indiana

Tuesday January 8, 1856

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Rachael Bowers
 vs
 Rebecca M^{rs} Guine
 Hannah Spencer
 Mary M^{rs} Peak
 Doryilla Bowers,
 Lydia Cowan
 Jacob Dorman Bowers
 Susan Davis
 Cynthia Ann Whittaker
 John Appleton Bowers
 Sarah Matilda Bowers
 Elizabeth Bowers
 Josiah Bowers
 Nancy Jane Bowers

Petition for dower

operation by law

This case is continued by

Aud court adjourned until tomorrow
 morning at nine o'clock

Wm. H. Miller

Wednesday October 8, 1856

Rachel Bowers

- vs
- Rebecca McGuire
- Hannah Spencer
- Mary McPeak
- Druzilla Bowers
- Lydia Cowen
- Jacob Dorman Bowers
- Susan Davis
- Cynthia Ann Whittimberger
- John Appleton Bowers
- Sarah Matilda Bowers
- Elizabeth Bowers
- Joseph Bowers &
- Nancy Jane Bowers

Petition for Partition

Now comes into court Rachel Bowers widow of William Bowers deceased by S. W. Heckerman her attorney and presents her petition in this behalf and the minor heirs mentioned in said Petition by William N. Shuler their Guardian ad litem who ^{answering} consents to the prayers of said petition, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that due notice had been given to the nonresident heirs mentioned in said petition by publication in the "Rochester Flag" a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in said County more than sixty days prior to the commencement of this term of Court, and also by the written consent of the adult resident heirs of said estate, which said ^{answers &} consent of the Guardian ad litem and notices are in the wrong and figures (here insert). Thereupon this matter is set down for hearing and no objections being made thereon and the Court being fully advised in the premises, do find the matters set forth in said petition to be true, and the Court do order and decree that partition be made of the lands mentioned in said petition assigning over and setting apart the equal one third of the following lands of said decedent, to wit, the West fractional half of section nineteen Township Thirty two of Range five East in Fulton County and State of Indiana and containing in all one hundred and eighty five acres to said Rachel Bowers, and the Court now appoints Isaac Pontious, Samuel S. Terry and Lyman J. Loveland ^{and out of their} ^{residence} ^{three} ^{of} ^{the} ^{County} ^{as} Commissioners to assign over and set aside to said Rachel Bowers, her one third part of said lands which said Commissioners are first required to take

take the proper oath before some person authorized to take the same as required by the Statute, honestly and faithfully to discharge the duties imposed, upon them as such Commissioners, to personally inspect said lands and to set aside and assign to said Rachel Bowers one third in value of said lands and they are further required to make report of their doings in said division to this Court as soon as practicable showing by notes and bounds the lands so assigned to said Rachel Bowers, under their hands and seals

And the Court adjourned until tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock

Hugh Miller

Thursday October 9th, Court convened pursuant to adjournment present as on yesterday

In the matter of the estate of Jeremiah H. Smith Dec'd. ~~Petition~~ ^{filed} for the sale of Real Estate

Now Comes Thomas Shelton, Administrator of said estate, and files his ^{in the words and figures following to wit - (here insert)} petition, showing that the personal property of said decedent is wholly insufficient to pay the debts of said estate and prays the Court for an order to sell the following described real estate, of which the said decedent died seized to wit:

The south part of the South East quarter of Section thirty four (34) Township thirty (30) north of range three (3) East, excepting that portion of the same sold off in lots in the town of Green oak, estimated to contain ninety acres (90) and appraised at sixteen and two thirds dollars (\$16 2/3) per acre, amounting in all to fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) as appears from the return of the appraisers Jacob Thorpe, and James McCarter hereunto annexed (here insert)

And the Court, being satisfied of the truth of the matters set

April 8th 1837

(43) Rachel Bowers
vs
The heirs of William Bowers

Petition for partition of Real Estate &
Assignment of Dower.

Come now Lyman J. Loveland, Samuel S. Terry, and Isaac Pultons, commissioners heretofore appointed by the Court in this behalf, and file their report in these words, to wit. (here insert) and there being no objections made to said partition and assignment of dower, it is ordered, adjudged, and decreed by the court, that the aforesaid acts of said commissioners in this behalf, be in all things confirmed, and the same is hereby decreed to be firm and effectual as between the parties to this suit for partition, and the court allow the bill of costs charged by said Commissioners, for services severally performed by them, as therein set forth, amounting to twenty one dollars, (\$21.00) of which costs one third are to be paid by said Rachel Bowers, and the remaining two thirds by the heirs of said William Bowers, proportionally to their interest in said Real Estate

April 11, 1857

(48) In the matter of the estate of }
William Bowers deceased } Current Report
Comes now William P. Ball, administrator
of said estate and makes and files his current-report in these
words, to wit; (here insert-) And the Court, having inspected said
report, and the accompanying vouchers, do in all things accept the same
and order that said administrator be allowed, in his final settle-
ment account, for the sum of three hundred and eighty six
dollars and fifty cents, (\$386.50). as shown to be disbursed in said
report, and said matter is continued,

April 14, 1857

John A. Bower, Jacob D. Bower,
Josiah Bower, Sarah M. Bower, Elizabeth
N. Bower, Nancy J. Bower, Benjamin
Davis, Susan Davis, Stephen
Whittenberger, & Legathia Ann Whittenberger
vs

Thomas M. Guire, Rebecca M. Guire
Allen Bowan, Lydia Bowan, Levi
Spencer, Hannah Spencer, Ezekiel
M. Peak, Mary M. Peak, and Du-
~~sitt~~ Bower

Petition for Partition of
Real Estate.

Come now the plaintiffs by S. Keith their attorney
and the dependants, being each three times called, come not, but herein
wholly makes default. and said plaintiffs show to the court that

April 14th. 1857.

due and legal notice of the pendency of this petition, had been given to said defendant-s, by publication in the Rochester weekly Flag, by affidavit herewith filed, which is in these words (here insert) and said plaintiffs now present their petition in these words. (here insert) And the court, being fully advised in the premises, do order and decree, that the prayer of said petitioners be granted - that Isaac Pantions, Robert M. Pollock, and Lyman J. Loveland be and they are hereby ~~appointed~~ commissioners to make such partition, and that said commissioners report their doings in this behalf, at the next term of this court.

And court adjourned till tomorrow morning at nine o'clock
A. M.

Carter Hathaway

And court adjourned untill tomorrow morning at
half past eight o'clock A.M.

Carter D. Hathaway

Thursday Morning, July 9th 1857

Court met pursuant to adjournment, present as on yest
day -

John A. Bower and others.

vs

Thomas M^cGuire and others

Report of Commissioners for

partition of Real Estate

Wm^c now Gorman J. Loveland, Isaac
Pantious, and Samuel S. Terry, commissioners heretofore appointed
by the court in this behalf, and make their report of the part
of the real estate of the parties, in these words, to wit.

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The State of Indiana
Sutton County vs

In the Sutton court of
Common Pleas.
July Term, 1857

In Session, July 8th 1857

(35) In the matter of the Estate
of William Bower dec'd

} Final Report

Now comes William P. Ball, administrator
of said estate, and presents a report of the final settlement of said
estate in these words (here insert) And said Report and the accom-
~~panying vouchers~~ are referred to the Clerk for examination - and said
William P. Ball now pays into Court sixty six dollars for the use of the
heirs of said decedent, and this matter is continued

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John A. Bower and others
vs
Thomas Mc Guire and
Rebecca M^o Guire his wife
and others

Report of Commissioners
for partition of Real Estate

The undersigned, Isaac Partridge
Robert M. Pollock, and Gynaw J. Coveland, Commissioners appointed by said Court at the April term thereof, A. D. 1857, to make partition of the real estate lying in said County of Fulton of which William Bower deceased, died seized, and to set off and allot to Susan Guire Cynthia A. Whittenberger, Jacob S. Bower, Elizabeth A. Bower, Sarah M. Bower, John A. Bower, Josiah Bower, and Stacey J. Bower heirs of said William Bower, their respective shares of the same said Real Estate being described as follows, to wit, The West fractional half of Section No. Nineteen (19) in Township No. thirty (30) North, in Range No. Five (5) East, containing one hundred and eighty five (185) acres more or less, except the parcel of land included within the following boundaries which has been set off to the widow of said William Bower as her portion of the real estate of which he died seized; to wit
commencing sixteen⁽¹⁶⁾ chains North of the quarter section post on the West line of said Section No. Nineteen (19) in the center of the State Road leading east from the Town of Akron, thence running South with said Section line, twenty three chains and eighty eight links (23.88) to a post with bearing trees described as follows to wit, Sugar Maple 12 inches in diameter North $63\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ West 57 $\frac{1}{2}$ links, thence east twenty three chains and forty four links (23.44) to a post with bearing trees as follows, to wit, Beech 14 inches in diameter North 66° West, 75 links, also Hickory 14 inches in diameter South $22\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ West 85 links, thence North with the line running from the fourth section post on the South side of said Section Nineteen (19) to the fourth section post on the North side of said Section Nineteen (19) chains and eighty eight⁽⁸⁸⁾ links to said Road, thence North $79\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$ West with said Road to the place of beginning, containing fifty acres more or less, leaving one hundred and thirty five acres, to be divided and of which the said eight heirs of said William Bower above named are each entitled to one equal thirteenth part, as determined by said Court of Harmon Pleas, having been duly sworn and having attended to the duties assigned to them would respectfully report to said Court that they have made partition of said real estate above described, and have set off to said heirs of said William Bower the following described shares

Partition No. 1

As described as follows; commencing at a point in the center of the State Road leading east from the Town of Akron sixteen⁽¹⁶⁾ chains North of the quarter section post on the West line

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of said Section No. Nineteen (19) thence running North Twenty four (24) chains, thence east with the north line of said section four chains and forty links (4.40) thence south, Twenty five chains and thirteen links (25.13) to the north line of that part of said estate, set off heretofore to the widow of said William Bower thence west with the said line four chains and forty seven links (4.47) to the place of beginning, containing ten acres and eighty one hundredths of an acre (10.80)

The above described partition No. 1 we assign and set off to Susan Davis as her full share of said real estate

Partition No. 2.

Is described as follows, commencing at the South East corner of Partition No one, aforesaid, as set off to Susan Davis, thence running north on the east line of said partition No. one to the north line of said Section No. Nineteen, thence East with said north line four (4) chains, thence south Twenty six and fourteen links (26.14) to the north line of that portion of said estate heretofore set off to the widow of said William Bower, thence in a Westerly direction with said line to the place of beginning, four chains and eight links (4.08) containing ten acres and twenty five hundredths of an acre (10.25)

The above partition No. Two we set off and assign to Cynthia A. Whittenberger as her full share of said estate

Partition No. 3.

Is described as follows, commencing at the South East corner of partition No. Two, aforesaid, set off to Cynthia A. Whittenberger, thence running north, on the East line of said partition No. 2, to the north line of said Section No. Nineteen thence East with said north line three chains and seven links (3.07), thence south Twenty six chains and ninety six (26.96) links, to the north line of that portion of said estate which has been set apart to the widow of said William Bower, thence in a Westerly ~~direction~~ with said line, three chains and thirteen links (3.13) to the place of beginning, containing eight acres and sixteen hundredths of an acre.

The above partition No. 3 we assign and set off to Jacob D. Bower as his full share of said real estate

Partition No. 4

Is described as follows, commencing at the South East corner of Partition No. 3 aforesaid as set off to Jacob D. Bower, thence running north with the east line of said partition No. three to the north line of ^{said} Section No. Nineteen, thence East with said north line three chains and seventy five links (3.75) thence south to the north line

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of that portion of said estate that has been set off to the widow of said William Bower thence in a Westerly direction with said line three chains and eighty four links (S. 84) to the place of beginning, containing ten acres and twenty seven hundredths of an acre (10 ²⁷/₁₀₀)

The above partition No. 4. we set off and assign to Elizabeth A. Bower, as her full share of said real estate

Partition No. 5

Is described as follows. Commencing at the South East corner of Partition No. 4 aforesaid, as set off to Elizabeth A. Bower thence running North twenty seven chains and ~~and~~ eighty seven links (S. 87) to the North line of said Section No. Nineteen, thence East with said line three chains and eighty links (S. 80) thence South to the North line of the portion of said estate that has been set off to the widow of said William Bower, thence in a Westerly direction with said line, three chains and eighty five links (S. 85) to the place of beginning, containing ten acres and seventy seven hundredths (10 ⁷⁷/₁₀₀)

The above described Partition No. 5 we set off and assign to Sarah M. Bower as her full share of said Real Estate

Partition No. 6

Is described as follows. Commencing at the South East corner of Partition No. 5 aforesaid as set off to Sarah M. Bower thence North twenty eight chains and eighty three links (S. 83) to the North line of said section No. Nineteen thence East with said North line three chains and forty three links (S. 43) to the Quarter Section post, thence South on the east line of said Tract or half section 29.78 chains to the North East corner of the portion set off to the widow of said William Bower thence West on the North line of said widow's land, to the place of beginning three chains and eighty four links (S. 84)

The above partition No. 6 we set off and assign to John A. Bower, as his full share of said real estate

Partition No. 8

Is described as follows to wit. Commencing at a point in the West line of said Section No. Nineteen (19) thirty two chains and twelve links (S. 2.12) North of the South West Corner of said Section, and running thence North with said West line eight chains and seventy five links (S. 75) to the South line of that portion of said estate, set off to the widow of said William Bower, thence East on the said South line, eleven chains and seventy two links (S. 11.72) thence South eight chains and seventy five links (S. 75) thence West to

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chains and seventy seven links (8.77) to the place of beginning, containing ten (10) acres and fifty five hundredths of an acre (10.55/100) The above described partition, No. 8, we assign and set off to Nancy J. Bower as her full share of said real estate

Partition No. 7

As described as follows, to wit, Commencing at the South East corner of Partition No. 8 aforesaid as set off to said Nancy J. Bower, thence North eight chains and seventy five links (8.75) to the South line of the portion of said estate heretofore set off to the widow of said William Bower deceased thence East with said South line eleven chains and seventy two links (11.72) to the East line of said fractional half section No. 11 section, thence South on said East line, eight chains and seventy five links (8.75) thence North, six chains and seventy seven links to the place of beginning, to wit the South East corner of said lot No. 8. The above described partition No. 7 we set off and assign to Josiah Bower, as his full share of said real estate

The above divisions of said real estate are set forth upon a rough plat of the same herewith filed, and the bearing trees of the corners, near which bearing trees have been designated and marked and noted thereon

Respectfully Submitted,

Isaac Pentecost

Acknowledged in open court July 9, 1857
J. J. Davis Clerk

Robert M. Pollock

Bill of fees of the Commissioners appointed to make partitions of the within described real estate.

Symon J. Loveland \$12.00
Isaac Pentecost 10.00
Robert M. Pollock 10.00

Attorney fee, S. Keitt \$10.00
Printers fee G. B. Haycock, 200
\$47.00

And the Court, having inspected said report do accept ^{there being no objection made thereto, the Court} and confirm the same, and decrees that the same be firm and effectual ^{forever} between the parties to this suit for partition.

And the Court allow the aforesaid bill of fees to the several claimants thereof, and order that the same be, and it hereby is, a lien upon the real estate of said parties, and the payment thereof may be enforced by a fee bill in the hands of the Sheriff of said Fulton County, which shall issue upon the application ^{of any of the parties} and. It is further ordered by the Court, that each of the several parties to this suit, shall pay an equal part of the aforesaid fees, and all other legal costs of said partition

Wednesday Morning. October 29th 1854

Court met, pursuant to adjournment, present as on yesterday, and proceeded to business.

(32) In the matter of the estate of William Bower deceased } Final report accepted, admin-
} discharged, ~~proof~~ of heirship made,
} and distribution ordered

The final report of William P. Ball, administrator of said estate, heretofore filed, is accepted by the court, and in all things confirmed, and said administrator is now discharged from all further duty or liability in this matter.

And it being proved to the satisfaction of the court, that the following named persons are all the legal heirs of said decedent, to wit, Rachel Bower, widow, Rebecca Mc Guire, Hannah Spencer, Mary Mc Peak, Arzilla Bower, Lydia Bower, Jacob D. Bower, Susannah Davis, Leuthia Ann Wittenberger, John A. Bower, Sarah M. Bower, Elizabeth M. Bowers, Josiah Bower, and Nancy Jane Bower, children of said William Bower deceased.

It is therefore ordered by the court, that the clerk of this court, after retaining two dollars of costs of publication, in this be half, do distribute the amount of the assets paid by said administrator into court, to wit the sum of sixty four dollars as follows, to wit, one third, to the widow, Rachel Bower, and the remainder equally to the above named 13 heirs of said William Bower deceased.