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COUSINS BY THE DOZENS - VOLUME III

THE STORIES OF MATTHEW SELLERS

and

WILLIAM RICHEY/RITCHEY

AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

BY IVANOEL GIBBINS, M.D. & HARRY B. CLAYTON

With major contributions of family records by:

RUTH CHAPMAN

ISABELLE CREIGHTON

HELEN MARY HAYNES

MARTHA HEPP

FRANCES LAAKER

RUBY MARR

VIRGINIA & MARION MILLER

DOROTHY & EDWARD PEAK

ELIZABETH PEAK

GARY VANCE

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From the court records, reproduced below, we find that Drury's brother John was appointed administrator of the Drury's estate on 7 December 1857; the inventory of the estate disclosed no personal property, and to satisfy the debts against the estate, John, as administrator, petitioned the court to sell Drury's land in Schuyler County, estimated to be worth \$200.

State of Illinois) In the Matter of the Estate  
Schuyler County) of Drury Sellers deceased

To the Honorable J. B. Johnson  
Judge of the County Court of the County of Schuyler  
and State of Illinois

The undersigned Administrator of the Estate  
of Drury Sellers deceased, would respectfully  
submit the following Report

The said administrator has received no  
moneys of any amount whatever nor is  
there anything due or owing from any  
person or persons whatever within the knowledge  
of said administrator, whereon to charge himself  
as such Administrator

The said Administrator would further  
Report that there is due and owing from  
said estate as per claims allowed as follows

To Wm. H. Heardsell Sellers	—	\$ 165.87
To John Sellers	—	" 175.87
Making		<u>\$ 341.74</u>

All of whom is Respectfully Submitted  
 Done this 2<sup>d</sup> day of February AD 1838

John Sellers Administrator  
 Est of Drury Sellers decd

John Sellers Administrator

Hartwell Sellers et al

In Matter of Petition to  
 sell real Estate &c

The Clerk of the County Court  
 of DeKalb County will issue a  
 summons directed to the Sheriff  
 of said County returnable at the April  
 Term A D 1838 for the within  
 named Hartwell Sellers Anderson  
 Dark Caroline Fowler <sup>Elizabeth</sup> <sup>Elizabeth</sup> <sup>Elizabeth</sup>  
 Emily Samuel Emily John Rithy  
 Emily Rithy Mary E Fine  
 Alfred Fine Melissa Sellers  
 Pittston Moore Margaret Lane Moore  
 William H Sellers John A Sellers Andrew  
 J Sellers Leroy Sellers George B Sellers  
 Mary E Sellers Albert Sellers Melissa  
 B Sellers William M Abbott Mary E  
 Abbott Parlee A Abbott Amanda  
 E Abbott and Dennis Sellers and  
 a summons returnable at a later for the  
 within named Merion Coutrland  
 Dennis Coutrland directed to the  
 Sheriff of Sangamon County and also  
 for Robert Dark Josiah Dark John Dark  
 Parlee and Cochran and Lewis Cochran  
 directed to the Sheriff of Montgomery Co  
 John Sellers by J P Smith  
 Atty

Filed February 16<sup>th</sup> 1838  
 Charles Rice Clerk

Recorded in Book A  
 Page 441, 442 & 443

State of Illinois  
 Schuyler County } The People of the State of Illinois  
 To the Sheriff of Sangamon Co Greeting

We command you to summon Marion Cantel, and Demaris Ann Cantel, of to be found in your County personally to be and appear before the County Court of Schuyler County aforesaid in Private sitting on the Fourth day of the April Term thereof, to be holden at the Court House in Rushville in said County on the first Monday in the month of April next, to answer to a certain petition for the sale of Real Estate filed in our said County Court against them the said Marion Cantel and Demaris Ann Cantel, by John Sellers Administrator of the Estate of Drury Sellers late of said County deceased

And have you then and there this writ and make return thereon in what manner you execute the same

Witness Charles Nico Clerk  
 of our said County Court and  
 the Seal thereof at Rushville this  
 25<sup>th</sup> day of February AD 1858  
 Charles Nico Clerk

State of Illinois  
 Schuyler County } The People of the State of Illinois  
 To the Sheriff of Sangamon Co. Greeting

We command you to summon Merion Cantrel, and Demaris Ann Cantrel, of to be found in your county personally to be and appear before the County Court of Schuyler County aforesaid in Public sitting on the Fourth day of the April term thereof, to be holden at the Court House in Rushville in said County on the first Monday in the month of April next, to answer to a certain petition for the sale of Real Estate, filed in our said County Court against them the said Merion Cantrel and Demaris Ann Cantrel, by John Sellers Administrator of the Estate of Drury Sellers late of said County deceased

And have you then and there this writ and make return thereon in what manner you see fit the same.

Witness Charles W. Vail Clerk  
 of our said County Court and  
 the Seal thereof at Rushville this  
 25<sup>th</sup> day of February AD 1858  
 Charles W. Vail Clerk

State of Illinois }  
 Schuyler County } } County Court of Schuyler  
 County } } County 7<sup>th</sup> April Term  
 A D 1858

To the Honorable, the Judge of the County  
 Court of Schuyler County:

The Petition of John Sellers of the  
 said County of Schuyler Administrator of the  
 goods chattels and effects of Drury Sellers  
 late of said County deceased respectfully represents  
 That your Petitioner was on the seventh day  
 of December A D 1857 duly appointed by the County  
 Court of Schuyler County aforesaid Administrator of  
 the goods and chattels rights and credits of Drury  
 Sellers deceased as will appear by his letters of  
 Administration on the hearing of this Petition

And your Petitioner further shows that he has  
 filed in the County Court of said County as such  
 Administrator his Inventory of the Estate of said  
 Drury Sellers deceased and there being no personal  
 property belonging to said Estate and none having  
 come into the knowledge or possession of said

Administrator as will more particularly appear by reference to the Report of your Petitioner, filed in said Court at the February Term thereof A.D. 1858. And your Petitioner further shows, that he has also rendered to said Court a Just and True account of the personal Estate and debts of the said deceased a certified copy of which account is hereto attached and made part of this Petition for reference and evidence marked "Exhibit A." That the Personal Estate of the said Drury Sellers deceased is wholly deficient and insufficient to pay the Just Claims against the said Estate as will appear by reference to the said account and inventory and also the Report of the County Court of said County to be produced on the hearing hereof. And your Petitioner shows more particularly that he has received no money as such Administrator from any source whatever belonging to said Estate as will appear from said Exhibit A, and Report. And your Petitioner further represents to your Honor that the Claims allowed



Lucinda Smiley sister of said Drury Sellers deceased and  
 Samuel Smiley her husband Liberty Kirtley sister of  
 said deceased and John Kirtley her husband Mary E  
 Fine sister and Alfred Fine her husband  
 Parlee Ann Boehrum sister and Lewis Boehrum  
 her husband Demeris Ann Bantrel<sup>sister</sup> and Marian  
 Bantrel her husband Margaret Jane Moore and Littleton  
 Moore her husband, William H Sellers John A Sellers  
 Andrew J Sellers Leroy Sellers George R Sellers Mary E Sellers  
 Albert Sellers Melinda Sellers children and heirs of  
 Thomas Sellers deceased brother of said Drury Sellers and  
 Melissa Sellers widow of the said Thomas Sellers deceased  
 Mary E Abbott Parlee A Abbott Amanda E Abbott  
 children and heirs of Jane Abbott deceased sister of  
 the said Drury Sellers and William M Abbott husband  
 of the said Jane Abbott<sup>late</sup> deceased Demeris Sellers Mother  
 of the said Drury and your petitioner John Sellers  
 brother<sup>as his only heir at law</sup> and your petitioner further represents that  
 the said Josiah Park John Park John A Sellers Andrew  
 J Sellers Leroy Sellers George R Sellers Mary E Sellers  
 Albert Sellers Melinda Sellers Mary E Abbott Parlee  
 A Abbott and Amanda E Abbott are minors under  
 the age of twenty one years and have no guardians

State of Illinois  
 residing in said ~~Delaware~~ County. Wherefore in  
 Consideration of the premises your Petitioner prays  
 the aid of Court and that he may have leave to sell  
 the said real Estate or so much thereof as may be  
 necessary to pay the debts of the said intestate and  
 that a summons may issue out of said Court against  
 the heirs of said Drury Sellers herein named direct  
 to the Sheriff of said County of Delaware Returnable  
 to the April Term of this Court A.D. 1858 and  
 that a Guardian ad litem be appointed for the  
 said Minor heirs

And your Petitioner will ever pray &c

John Selles Administrator  
 of the Estate of Drury Sellers deceased  
 by J. P. Brumby his Attorney

with their costs  
 Josiah Dark John Dark John A Sellers  
 Andrew Sellers Leroy Sellers George K Sellers  
 Mary E Sellers Albert Sellers Melisa Sellers  
 Mary E Abbott Parlee A Abbott and Amanda E Abbott  
 By Joseph W. Seweeney.  
 Their Guardian Ad Litem

John Sellers Administrator of the Estate of Drury Sellers } In the Delmar County  
 as } Court of the April Term  
 24 & 1858  
 Plaintiff }  
 vs }  
 Hartwell Sellers et al } Petition to sell Real Estate  
 } for the payment of debts  
 The Replication of John Sellers - Administrator of  
 the Estate of Drury Sellers Complainant - in the above  
 entitled Cause to the Answer of Josiah Dark  
 John Dark John A Sellers Andrew Sellers Leroy  
 Sellers George K Sellers Mary E Sellers Albert Sellers  
 Melisa Sellers Mary E Abbott Parlee A Abbott  
 and Amanda E Abbott Defendants  
 This repliant deaving and reserving to him  
 self all and all manner of advantage of exe  
 ception to the manifold insufficiencies of the  
 said answer for replication thereto doith that

he will aver and prove his said Petition to be true certain and sufficient in the law to be answered unto and that the said answer of the said defendants is uncertain untrue and insufficient to be replied unto by this repliant without this that any other matter or thing whatsoever in the said answer contained material or effectual in the law to be replied unto confessed and avoided traversed or denied is true all which matters and things this repliant is and will be ready to aver and prove as this Honorable Court shall direct and pray as in and by his said Petition he hath already prayed

John Sellers Administrator of the  
Estate of Drury Sellers by J P Kumble his Attorney