

post and rail facing around part of it and all the fences are very good now I suppose. He has built a barn and a smoke house, and all of the improvements are in a tolerable good condition. Within the last two years he has weather-boarded and put a new roof on the dwelling house.

To Lewis Interrogatories filed with the commissioners, by the complainants and herewith returned, the said Mrs. Dorella Hammond deposes says,

Do. the 1st Q. Int. - What relation are you to Burgess Hammond?

Answer: - I am his wife.

2^d Q. Int. when and where did the conversation testified to by you in answer to the 2^d Interrogatory in chief occur?

Answer: At Burgess Hammond's father's house. It was sometime in the Summer of 1852.

3^d Q. Int. What were the exact words used by Col. Hammond?

Answer: - Uncle John Hammond advised Burgess to go West, and Uncle Tom said Don't you go Burgess. I will put you on a farm here and will give it to you.

4th Q. Int. How do you know Burgess Hammond bought Richard Hammond out? Did you see him do so?

Answer: - Yes Sir. I saw him to do, and he paid him all in gold.

5th Q. Int. Where and when was it? Were you at Anderson's Mill when the logs were weighed?

Answer: I was at Anderson's Mill. It was in the fall of 1852 on the place where we now reside.

6th Q. Int. How much did he pay?

Answer: I don't know how much he paid.

7th Q. Int. If you saw him pay, don't you know how much and for what it was paid?

Answer: I don't know how much. I know he bought his horses, hogs and cows.

8th Q. Int. When did you next hear Col. Hammond speak about this place? Locate any one time and place?

Answer: I don't know exactly when, but every time I saw him it was at our house but I can't tell the time.

9th Q. Int. Can you say where in the house or in what year? What was said who was there and how the subject came up?

Answer: - (Up down stairs in the ordinary room there were but two persons in the house. I don't know exactly in what year.

He told Burgess that it was his place to improve it as all the improvements were for himself.

10th Q. Int. Do you remember any one specific occasion subsequent to the time in 1852, or is all you know from mere general inferences?

Answer: - When my sister was there he told her that it was Burgess's place.