

Answer: Yes Sir all was standing; I cut red Oak, Chesnut, black Oak, Spaw Oak & white Oak. It was large forest timber - We cut, not less than 300 trees making 500 or 600 cords more or less.

7th Int. What acts of ownership, if any, did G. Hammond perform about said (Excepted to) property?

Answer: None at all. He told us we came out down all the trees it was our own loss.

8th Int. - Was G. Hammond aware of your cutting down timber? (Excepted to)

Answer: He was.

9th Int. - Did he ever make any objections to your cutting timber (Excepted to) or to other acts of ownership exercised by you?

Answer: - No Sir.

10th Int. - Did G. Hammond ever intimate to you that he retained (Excepted to) any right of ownership in said property, or give you to understand in any way, that it was not your wife's property to do as she chose with it?

Answer: No Sir, he never did - always to the contrary.

11th Int. - Have you had any conversation, or conversations with (Excepted to) G. Hammond relative to the ownership of said G. Hammond's property? If yes, state as near as you are when and what he said upon the subject?

Answer: No other than I have stated.

12th Int. What was it that induced you to go upon said (Excepted to) place and live there?

Answer: All the inducement was that it was a gift to my wife & a home for her.

13th Int. If you had not supposed that the place was an absolute gift to your wife would you have gone upon & lived upon the same? (Excepted to)

Answer: I certainly would not for it was nothing but a place of Sassafras bushes and "Gribbs".

14th Int. What other property had you or your wife at the time (Excepted to) you went upon said place?

Answer: Homes, lands & farming utensils. We had no real estate (we rented).

15th Int. In what year did you go upon said place? (Excepted to)

Answer: In November 1862.

16th Int. (Excepted to) How old are you at this time?

Answer: I was 59 years old on Nov. 12th inst.

17th Int. - what improvements did you make upon said place (Excepted to) if any?

Answer: I helped to put up the dwelling house I did the cutting of the timber for the house & hauled it from the woods to the Saw Mill & hauled the boards from the Saw Mill home to the building. I hauled the stone to put up the wall