

No. 11411 Equity.

Orendorff, said, they wished her to own her home; my father-in-law agreed to lend me what I had paid, and the four hundred dollars (\$400) I owed on the property, and to assume the payment of the mortgage, and we all agreed that the property should belong to her; he paid me the thirteen hundred [hundred] dollars, (\$1,300). And the mortgage remained until after his death, which my wife paid out of her money which she received from her father's estate after his death.

2nd Q. Int. Did you pay the \$400 which you owed at the time of your marriage; if yes, to whom did you pay it, and when?

Ans. I did; I paid it to James A. Elster; my note had been assigned to him, but I cannot state the time just when.

3rd Q. Int. Was, or not, the ownership of said property been frequently spoken of between your wife and yourself, from the time of your marriage; if yes, to whom had it been spoken of, as belonging?

Ans. It was always spoken of as my wife's property between her and me.

4th Q. Int. When was the deed from Wynn and wife for said property obtained?

Ans. In 1863.

5th Q. Int. Why was it not obtained before?

Ans. I don't know why it was not obtained earlier?

6th Q. Int. Why was the deed taken to you, in your name?

Ans. I did not think, at the time, that it made any difference whether the deed was to me or to her.

7th Q. Int. Did your wife know that [that] the deed was to you, in your name?

Ans. She did not, until August, 1878.

8th Q. Int. What piece of property, was next acquired, and how was it acquired?

Ans. It was one acre and three quarters, from Jacob Rife and wife; she thought she ought to have that piece of land for the purpose of straightening one of the lines of the Wynn property; she told her father, and he proposed to give her one hundred dollars, (\$100.) to pay for it; shortly after that he gave her one hundred dollars, (\$100.) and she paid for it.

9th Q. Int. When was that deed for that acre and three quarters obtained?

Ans. Shortly after our marriage - in the same year.

10th Q. Int. To whom, or in whose name, was that taken, and why was it so taken?

Ans. It was taken in my name, in the same way as the Wynn deed as before explained.

11th Q. Int. What piece of property was next acquired?

Ans. My wife wished to have about fifty (50) Acre, adjoining the Wynn

Cross examination  
of James A.  
Orendorff.