

No 4858 Equity

up to him. He was in hearing distance.

5th Int.

What announcement did the auctioneer make before he knocked the property off?

5th Ans. He warned them up. He said if they were not going to bid any more he would knock the property down. He warned them in time enough.

6th Int.

Do you know the property sold by Dr. Miller? If you, what in your judgment was a fair cash price for the property at the time it was sold?

6th Ans. I know the property. I think \$59.⁷⁵ was a pretty stiff cash price and am doubtful if the property would have brought it.

To Cross Interrogatories filed with the Commissioner by the Exceptant and herewith returned the said William Shook deposes and says to the

1st Cross Int.

Have you ever bought a farm in the neighborhood of this farm of whom?

1st Ans. I never bought any farm. I have bought some little property.

2nd Cross Int.

Have you ever sold a farm?

2nd Ans. No Sir. I never had any farm. I sold a house and lot; that was town property. I sold that to get out of town.

3rd Cross Int.

What is your occupation?

3rd Ans. Just anything at all. Threshing; any sort of loose work; hulling clover seed, fencing, boring posts, sawing singles, sawing wood, grinding feed and cutting feed and farming a little on my land; Agent for Coolery's Creamer &c.

4th Cross Int.

When a man is bidding on a farm and the bid is over \$2000.⁰⁰ what do you consider ample time for a reasonably prudent man to determine whether he will go higher?

4th Ans. That depends upon circumstances. I think that from 3 to 4 to 5 minutes is enough. He ought to have his mind made up before he goes and then he would know what to do.

William G. Shook a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the Respondent being duly sworn and examined to Interrogatories filed with the Commissioner by the Respondent and herewith returned, deposes and says to the

1st Int.

Were you present at the sale, if you at and about what time did it commence?

1st Ans. I was present. It commenced at a quarter past ten as near as I can remember.

2nd Int.

How long was the Auctioneer engaged in selling the property? State your recollection.

2nd Ans. About an hour and a quarter according to my recollection. I did not have any time piece.

3rd Int.

Do you recollect the occasion and bidding just previous to the property being knocked down by the auctioneer; if you, please detail the circumstances and state what time elapsed between the last bid and the time the property was knocked down?

3rd Ans. Yes Sir. I do. Well there is not much to detail except what the auctioneer had to say. Mr Ramsburg had put on a bid and Dr Miller put on a bid and the auctioneer did every thing to induce Mr Ramsburg to bid and gave him fair warning that he would knock the property down. There was no advance and he knocked it down. I know nothing of the time that elapsed, but I think between five and six minutes.

4th Int.