

W. W. Whitney
J. M. S. Whitney
vs

Rochard Acelf, Beverly Chas and others

X In pursuance of the Annexed Commission
Issued from the United States Circuit Court
of the Eastern District of Louisiana of the
undersigned Justice of the Peace in Thibodaux
County State of Mississippi have Caused
to Comd before me Madam Rose B. Caillare
me De Carriere who being duly sworn to de-
clare the the truth on the question put
to her in this Cause in answer to the interrogatories
annexed to said Commission says

Answer to the 1st Interrogatory - I was well acquainted with the late Daniel Clark
of New Orleans -

Answer to the 2nd Interrogatory - I was not present at the marriage of Zulime
me De Carriere, who is my sister, with Daniel Clark, but I do know
that said Clark made proposals of marriage for my sister, and subsequent-
ly said Zulime wrote to me that she and said Clark were married -
Mr Clark's proposals of marriage were made after it became known that
her marriage with Mr De Grange was void from the fact of his
having then, and at the time of his marrying her a living wife,
these proposals were deferred being accepted till the record
proof of De Grange's said previous marriage could be obtained, and
said Zulime with her sister Madame Despain sailed for the States
of the United States, to obtain the record proof -

Answer to the 3rd Interrogatory - I was acquainted with Mr
De Grange in New Orleans - He was considered an unmarried
man on coming to New Orleans, and as such imposed upon my
sister Zulime to marry him - but it was afterwards proved he
had a lawful wife still living - after this imposition of said
De Grange, his said lawful wife came to New Orleans, and
detected and exposed his bigamy in marrying the said

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Lulime, when he had a living and lawful wife at and before the time of his marriage with said Lulime — She was prosecuted, condemned and cast into prison, and escaped privately from prison — He escaped from Louisiana, as it was reported by the Spanish Governor's connivance, Le Biston D'agenois was said to aid De Grange in getting off — This happened some time before the Americans took possession of New Orleans — Mr Clark's marriage with my sister Lulime was after the detection of De Grange's bigamy — The birth of their daughter Myra Clarke was some years after the marriage —

Answer to the 4th Interrogatory — I am not aware of knowing anything more of importance in this suit, except the marriage of said Lulime with Mr Gassette of Philadelphia before the death of Mr Clark —

Answer to the 1st Cross Interrogatory — My name is Rose veuse Gaillaud, nee De Camiere — My age is sixty eight years — I was born in Louisiana, and resided some time in France after this marriage of Lulime & Mr Clark, and after that resided in the state of Mississippi —

Answer to the 2nd Cross Interrogatory — I became acquainted with Mr Clark in New Orleans, in consequence of his attachment & marriage to my sister Lulime, an intimacy subsisted between him & myself — Our friendly intercourse continued during my residence in New Orleans —

Answer to the 3rd Cross Interrogatory — When I resided in New Orleans, Mr Clark lived in his own house, with his own slaves to wait upon him, He had the reputation of being a man of immense wealth — He stood at the head of society — was considered a man of very great talents, and much beloved for his benevolence —

Answer to the 4th Cross Interrogatory — I have already stated all I knew about Mr Clark's marriage with Lulime, and of her ^{marriage} with De Grange — By this marriage she had two children, a boy, and a girl, the boy is dead, the girl is still living, her name is Caroline, and is

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married to Dr. Barnes - I have already stated that said
Lulime also married Mr. Gardette -

Answer to the 5th Cross Interrogatory - It is to my
knowledge that Myra Clark, who married Mr. Whitney is the
child, and only child of Mr. Clark by Lulime De Carrere.
It is to my knowledge that Mr. Clark put his daughter
Myra under the charge of Mrs. Davis. Mr. Clark acknow-
ledged to me that Myra was his lawful and only child -

Mr. William Kepler, nursed her for some time from
kindness - Mr. Clark's gratitude towards this lady for
nursing his child lasted with his life - said Myra
was brought up and educated in the family of Bob Davis,
and supposed herself their child until within
a few months of her marriage with Mr. Whitney -

Answer to the 6th Cross Interrogatory - I always heard that
Mr. Clark's marriage with Lulime ^{was} private, & that he
did not promulgate it, unless he did so in his last
Will made a little before his death, and lost or pre-
sented after his death - He never explained to me the
reasons for not publishing his marriage in his life
time -

Answer to the 7th Cross Interrogatory - I have known Myra
Clark Whitney for some years - making no secret about my
knowledge or possession of the matters of which I have herein
spoken, and it being known that I was an elder sister of
Lulime De Carrere - therefore it was I suppose that I
have been called on to testify in this case - but no one has
ever taken the liberty to intimate a wish for me to
declare anything but the truth -

Answer to the 8th Cross Interrogatory - I have already said
all I know about Mr. De Grange -

Answer to 9th Cross Interrogatory - I never heard Mr. Clark
make any acknowledgment of his having any natural
children; and I never heard of his having another child
than Myra Clark Whitney, and which Mr. Clark informed
me was his lawful child -

Answer to the 10th Cross Interrogatory - I have already
stated, all I know as to the parentage & nursing & education

Sir

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Captain Tadlock 100 Common Tents with Poles complete
22 Horsemans " " " "
3 Marquess " " " "
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will find enclosed, - - On their safe Arrival, be pleased
to forward me an acknowledgment - These articles you will
please to dispose of, agreeably to instructions you have, or
will receive from the Secretary of War - - -

You will please to draw on me for any expense that
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