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## **Champion Blueberry Pickers 12 Figure in \$4,000 Damage Suit**

Suit for \$4,000 damages, alleging a breach of contract, has been filed by Noah Oigny and wife, both over 80 years of age, "champion berry pickers of Wisconsin," against Alex Gironard and wife, of Black River Falls, their son-in-law and daughter. The Oignys, former residents of Black River Falls, but now residing with another daughter in Superior, charge the defendants with breaking a contract made with the old couple in which they turned all of their worldly possessions over to the younger couple with the understanding that they would be cared for during the remainder of their lives.

Peter B. Cadigan, local attorney, will appear for the plaintiffs at the

trial of the case at Black River Falls, Jackson county, next week.

Household goods, land and a team of horses, with a total valuation of \$3,500, was given the daughter and son-in-law by the old couple, according to the complaint.

The defendants are charged with failing to live up to the contract by forcing the Oignys to live in an unheated room, neglecting to provide food and clothing and medical care and treating them with disrespect. The old couple left the home of the Gironard's on May 28, 1922, and have since made their home in Superior.

The Oignys gained considerable fame last summer when they established a record for picking blueberries in Wisconsin.

