Platte County Circuit Court
Circuit Court
September Term 1851

Box 22 File 8

State of Missouri

vs

Floresh, John

Dealing with Slaves;
Selling Liquor on Sunday;
Permitting Gambling

Three distinct charges heard at same term of court
Unable to separate documents due to possible inaccurate division

In the Circuit Court
September Term 1861
Platte County to wit:

The Grand Jurors for the State of Missouri for the body of the County of Platte aforesaid upon their oath present that John Flowers late of said County on the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one at the County aforesaid to certain slaves named Dan Tom and Nancy belonging to Holly Thompson did unlawfully aid to advise the said slaves to the Jurors aforesaid unknown duties Commodities to wit one pint of whiskey, one pint of brandy, one pint of gin, one pint of rum, one pint of gin cocktail one pint of beer without them and them having the pursuit in writing of the master, owner or overseer of said negro slaves Dan Tom Jan Contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the state.

L. Anthony
Circuit Attorney

Filed Sept. 10. 1851

Jas Sims, Clk

Writ Sept. 27. 1851

Subpoena Feb 15. 1852

" " 17. 1853

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The State

vs.

John H. Loomis

Dealing with Slaves

A true Bill

Geo. Gist

Foreman of the

Grand Jury

Witnesses

James Sewall

John Quantt

Luther Tegardin

Isaac W. Sewall

Geo. Brainerd

Wm. Hackenday

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In the Circuit Court
September Term 1861
Platte County to wit:

The Grand Jurors for the State of Missouri for the body of the County of Platte aforesaid upon their oath present that John Flonerk late of said County on the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one at the County aforesaid to a certain [illegible] whose name is to the Jurors aforesaid unknown did unlawfully sell to divers other persons the said [illegible] slaves to the Jurors aforesaid unknown divers commodities to wit one pint of whiskey, one pint of brandy, one pint of rum, one pint of [illegible], one pint of gin and one pint of beer without then and there having the consent in writing of the master, owner or overseer of said negro slaves then for contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State.

L. Anthony
Circuit Attorney

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In the Circuit Court

September Term 1857

Platte County to wit

The Grand Jurors of the State of Missouri, for the body of the County of Platte aforesaid, upon their oath present that John Flourish late of said County on the first day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty one at the County aforesaid, did on the first day of the week commonly called Sunday, sell and retail certain fermented and distilled liquor to divers persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown, to wit: one pint of Wine, one pint of Brandy, one pint of Rum, one pint of Gin, and one pint of Whiskey (The same not being then and there an article of immediate necessity) Contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State

L Archer

Circuit Attorney

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State of Mississippi

vs

John Hiscock

Selling Liquor on Sunday

A True Bill

Geo Gist

foreman of the Grand Jury

Witnesses

James Sessett
Isaac W Spratt
David W Spratt
Luther Seegander
George Brasfield
Johnson Hazeday
Casper G Dunbrim
John Dunnett
Duncan Casper

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John Sept. 10. 1851

Jesse Annis Clerk

Note Sept. 27. 1851

Subpa Feb 14. 1852

Alpa 1st Feby 17th 1853

In the Circuit Court
September Term 1851

Platte County to wit:

The Grand Jurors for the State of Missouri for the body of the County of Platte aforesaid upon their oath present that John Flourish late of said County did permit a pack of playing Cards, which said pack of playing Cards were then and there a gambling device, adapted, devised and designed for the purpose of playing games of chance for money and property to be set up and used for the purpose of gaming in a building to him the said John Flourish then and there belonging and of which said building he the said John Flourish then and there had the possession and control, and that the said John Flourish did then and there suffer and permit divers persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown to set money and property upon said gambling device and then and there to set money and property upon and to play at and upon divers games of chance then and there to be had in said building played by means of said gambling device contrary to the form of the statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State

Attorney
for the State

Felix Sept. 10, 1851

Wm Stone Clerk

Writ Sept 27. 1851

Subpa Oct 15. 1852

Sp a. Issued Sept. 21/52

" " Feby 17. 1853

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The State

vs

John Herrick

Permitting Gaming

A true Bill

Geo. Gist

foreman of the

Grand Jury

M Thomas

Wm Quarles

James Quarles

Luther Seagraves

Solomon A Spratt

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In the Circuit Court
September Term 1847

Platte County to wit:

The Grand Jurors for the State of Missouri for the body of the County of Platte aforesaid upon their oath present that John Flourish late of said County did keep a Jack of playing Cards, which said Jack of playing Cards was then and there a gambling device, adapted, devised and designed for the purpose of playing games of chance for money and property to be set up and used for the purpose of gaming in a building to the said John Flourish then and there belonging and of which said building he the said John Flourish then and there had the possession and control, and that the said John Flourish did then and there suffer and permit divers persons to the Jurors aforesaid unknown to set money and property upon said gambling device and then and there to set money and property upon and to play at and upon divers games of chance then and there to wit in said building played by means of said gambling device contrary to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State

R. Anderson
Circuit Attorney

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Know all men by these presents that we John Flourish as principal and William Miller as security are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri in the sum of Two hundred — dollars that is to say, the said John Flourish in the sum of One hundred dollars and the said William Miller in the sum of One hundred dollars for the true and faithful payment of which we bind ourselves; our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents signed, sealed and dated this Eleventh day of October A. D. 185/.

The condition of this obligation is such that whereas the said John Flourish has been indicted by the Grand Jury of Platte county for Dealing with Slaves Now if the said John Flourish shall make his personal appearance before the Platte Circuit Court on the first day of the next term of said court to be held at the Court House in the town of Platte City on the first day of March A. D. 185 2 to answer to the indictment aforesaid and shall not depart the said court without leave, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Attest
J. B. Henderson D. S.
for L. Sheppard Sh

John Flourish

William Miller

Know all men by these presents that we John Flourch as principal and William Miller as security are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri in the sum of two hundred dollars that is to say, the said John Flourch in the sum of one hundred dollars and the said William Miller in the sum of one hundred dollars for the true and faithful payment of which we bind ourselves; our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents signed, sealed and dated this Eleventh day of October A. D. 185 1.

The condition of this obligation is such that whereas the said John Flourch has been indicted by the Grand Jury of Platte county for Selling Liquor on Sunday

Now if the said John Flourch shall make his personal appearance before the Platte Circuit Court on the first day of the next term of said court to be held at the Court House in the town of Platte City on the first day of March A. D. 185 2 to answer to the indictment aforesaid and shall not depart the said court without leave, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Attest

J. H. Newman D.C.
for L. Shepard Clk

John Flourch

William Miller

Know all men by these presents that we John Flourish as principal and William Miller as security are held and firmly bound unto the State of Missouri in the sum of Two Hundred dollars that is to say, the said John Flourish in the sum of One Hundred dollars and the said Security in the sum of One Hundred dollars for the true and faithful payment of which we bind ourselves; our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents signed, sealed and dated this Eleventh day of October A. D. 185/.

The condition of this obligation is such that whereas the said John Flourish has been indicted by the Grand Jury of Platte county for Permitting Gaming

Now if the said John Flourish shall make his personal appearance before the Platte Circuit Court on the first day of the next term of said court to be held at the Court House in the town of Platte City on the First day of March A. D. 185 2 to answer to the indictment aforesaid and shall not depart the said court without leave, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Attest

14 Dollars Common Fee
for C. Shepard Sh'ff

John Flourish

William Miller

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
PLATTE COUNTY, }

The State of Missouri to the Sheriff of Platte county—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to take John Florish if he be found in your county, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte city, on the first day of our next March term of said court, to be holden at Platte city, on Monday the first day of March next to answer unto the State of Missouri for Dueling with Blows

of which he stands indicted by the Grand Jury of the county aforesaid. Fail not at your peril; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, IRA NORRIS, Clerk of said Circuit Court with the seal thereof affixed at Platte city, the 27th day of September A. D. 185/

Ira Norris Clerk.

State
vs
John Flensh

For Murder 1852

Sheriffs fee $1.50

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
PLATTE COUNTY,

The State of Missouri to the Sheriff of Platte county—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to take John F Lancaster

if he be found in your county, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte city, on the first day of our next March term of said court, to be holden at Platte city, on Monday the first day of March next to answer unto the State of Missouri for Perverting gaming

of which he stands indicted by the Grand Jury of the county aforesaid. Fail not at your peril; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, IRA NORRIS, Clerk of said Circuit Court with the seal thereof affixed at Platte city, the 27th day of September A. D. 1851

Ira Norris Clerk.

State
vs Writ
John Flench

For Mark 1852

Skefs fees $1.50

The within Execution by Writ of the Lands of John Flench vis to Customs Duties vis to Levy on & sell Lands & Tenements &c at the Suit of Mark Kerr - 1857 - of the Writ of Fieri Facias as required by the within Writ Came to Hand 11th 1857 -

C Shellaberger Sh
by Jas Cooper Dp
" " "

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
PLATTE COUNTY, }

The State of Missouri to the Sheriff of Platte county—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to take John Flinch if he be found in your county, and him safely keep, so that you have his body before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte city, on the first day of our next March term of said court, to be holden at Platte city, on Monday the first day of March next to answer unto the State of Missouri for selling liquor on Sunday

of which he stands indicted by the Grand Jury of the county aforesaid. Fail not at your peril; and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, IRA NORRIS, Clerk of said Circuit Court with the seal thereof affixed at Platte city, the 27th day of September A. D. 185/

Ira Norris Clerk.

State
vs Bonito
John Flersh

Jan Mint 1852

Shipping $1.50

The within Execution & Writ of Fi Fa issued out of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Cook County at the suit of Lewis Bonito against the goods & chattels of John Flersh at the January Term 1852 of the Circuit Court aforesaid, was received by me on the 10th day of March A.D. 1852 & I have executed the same by levying on the following described property to wit: Lot 11 in Block 1 in Canal Trustees Subdivision of Section 16 Township 39 North of Range 14 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, Cook County, Illinois, and on the 10th day of April A.D. 1852 at 10 o'clock A.M. of said day at the North door of the Court House in the City of Chicago in said County I exposed the said property for sale at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash in hand, after having given notice of the time, place & manner of sale by advertisement published in the Chicago Daily Tribune a newspaper printed & published in said City of Chicago, for more than twenty days successively next before the day of sale, and the said property was struck off to Lewis Bonito for the sum of Two Hundred & Fifty Dollars he being the highest bidder for the same, which sum was more than sufficient to satisfy the debt, interest & costs in the within Execution mentioned, and the surplus if any I am ready to pay to the within named John Flersh or his agent as the law directs.

Chicago April 10th 1852

[signature] Sheriff
By [illegible] Deputy

STATE OF MISSOURI, } SCT.
COUNTY OF PLATTE, }

The State of Missouri, To James Scott

To Isaac N Shrate. Shurid N Shrate. Luther D Cazaudrun
Geo Bassfield. John Hockaday. Casper G. Berkin John Emmett & Duncan Cash

You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte City, on the 9th day of March 1852, to give evidence between The State of Missouri Plaintiff and John Flourh Defendant on the part of the Plaintiff

Fail not at your peril.

Witness, IRA NORRIS, Clerk of said Circuit Court, with the Seal thereof affixed, at Platte City, the 14th *day of* February 1852.

Ira Norris CLERK.

State
vs
John Hood

Dec March 9. 1852

Summons
James Scott
Isaac W Pratt
Daniel W Pratt
Luther Deasgardins
George Bassford
John Rockaday
Caspar G. Thurber
John Emmett
Duncan Cashman

Sheriffs fees $3.30

Summons Issued as directed
Served on Scott, Pratt & Daniel Pratt
Same on Bassford & Cashman
Same on Deasgardins, Emmett & Thurber
Copies & Service & Mileage 1852 in Pratt
Same on Rockaday & Duncan
Copies & Service & Mileage
Same on McFarland
Copies & Service & Mileage
Same on Hood
Copies & Service & Mileage
Not found

STATE OF MISSOURI, } SCT.
COUNTY OF PLATTE, }

The State of Missouri,

To John Quinette James Scrate & Luther Seagendine and John A Scrate —

You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte City, on the 9th day of March 1852, to give evidence between The State of Missouri Plaintiff and John Flonst Defendant on the part of the Plaintiff

Fail not at your peril.

Witness, IRA NORRIS, Clerk of said Circuit Court, with the Seal thereof affixed, at Platte City, the 14th *day of* February 1852

Ira Norris CLERK.

State
vs
John Slovash

Dec March 9. 1852

Summons
John Quinnett
+ James Scratt
+ Luther Teaguerden
+ Johna Scratt

Shffs fees $1.60

The within 4 cents & a copy the same
to James Scratt, Luther Teaguerden +
Johna Scratt on the 16th day of February
A.D. 1852 & Clays of Marion on 1852 in Platte County
Missouri — L. Shipman S. Shff
19 1/2 miles @ 25 cts $5.
" " "

Quinnett
per Shipman

STATE OF MISSOURI, } SCT.
COUNTY OF PLATTE,

The State of Missouri, To James Scott

To John Dennett. Luther Teagarden. Isaac N. Pratt
John Mansfield and John Rockaday

You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte City, on the 9th day of March 1852, to give evidence between The State of Missouri Plaintiff and John Flourt Defendent. on the part of the Plaintiff

Fail not at your peril.

Witness, IRA NORRIS, Clerk of said Circuit Court, with the Seal thereof affixed, at Platte City, the 14th *day of* February 1852

Ira Norris

CLERK.

State
of
Iowa
Scott County

Davenport Sept. 9, 1852

I Certify
That
James Scott
Luther Leagues
Isaac W. Pratt
Isaac M Pratt
Geo. P Bissell &
John Mackenzie
Subscribers to
Stock to the
Amount of $1,800

The within Instrument by reading the same to the within named James Scott Luther Leagues & Isaac W. Spratt on the 1st and 4th days of March 1852 - in Platte County Mo

L. Shepard Jr. Pub
By J. K. B. Rawdon D. S.
" " "

Balance of the within named not found

STATE OF MISSOURI, } SCT.
COUNTY OF PLATTE,

The State of Missouri.

To James Scott J.M. Spratt S.M. Spratt L. Tegarden G. Mansfield J. Hockaday J. Linnett Duncan Draper

You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte City, on the 14th day of March 1853, to give evidence between The State of Missouri Plaintiff and John Flemish Defendant on the part of the State

Fail not at your peril.

Witness, WILLIAM C. REMINGTON, Clerk of said Circuit Court, with the *Seal* thereof affixed, at Platte City, the 14th day of February 1853

Wm C. Remington Clerk.

State
vs
John Flourish

For 14th March 1853

Summon

James Scott
Isaac N. Spratt +
David N. Spratt +
Luther Tagardun +
Geo. Brayfield +
John Rockaday
Casper G. Daubin +
Jno Dunnett
Duncan Cooper

$3.00

STATE OF MISSOURI, } SCT.
COUNTY OF PLATTE,

The State of Missouri.

To John Dunnett James Scratt L. Tegarden John a Scratt

You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Judge of our Platte Circuit Court, at the Court house in Platte City, on the 14th day of March 1853, to give evidence between The State of Missouri Plaintiff and John Flenik Defendant on the part of the State

Fail not at your peril.

Witness, WILLIAM C. REMINGTON, Clerk of said Circuit Court, with the *Seal* thereof affixed, at Platte City, the 17th day of February 1853

Wm C Remington Clerk.

State
vs
Spa
John Floresh

14th March 1853

Summon
Jno. Sunnett
James Pratt
Luther Seagrave
Jno. A. Spratt

Subpoena Issued

Subpoena to Testify
State of Maine - To Constable or any Sheriff
of Penobscot County - Greeting
You are hereby commanded to summon
Spratt, Seagrave & Pratt
to appear before me at my office in Bangor in said County on the 14th day of March A.D. 1853 at 11 o'clock A.M. then and there to testify in behalf of the State in a prosecution pending before me against John Floresh