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Eric D. G. and W. C. D.

Mr. A. H. Howard
Dallas Texas

Please find enclosed an order on Mrs. Isabella Darenfort for \$13.20 she is the wife of Dr. J. W. Darenfort of Dallas. I suppose you know the family. (John Baskland knows the family) their son W. C. Darenfort is or has been very recently in the employ of W. White & Co. Dallas. Cotton Business. I have written Mrs. Darenfort to pay the order as soon as it is presented - I hope this will be satisfactory & should send

report at state time than the present. And, I suppose here says it will do just as well. Please do not make me any more uneasy experience. I hope this will be satisfactory. If not please let me know at once.

Respectfully
Wm. C. Darenfort
Guardian of
Isabella Darenfort

~~W. C. Darenfort~~
~~W. C. Darenfort~~
W. C. Darenfort
of Dallas

²⁰¹
July 4/87.

go - the money if I had it to
send. am very sorry to trouble
you with an order. I am
sure a care it is not the way
business men like to do business

Respectfully
Elizabeth M. Berry

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Eric Belle Oct 7th 1880

Mr. S. H. Wood
Dallas Texas

I will send
in my final report
at the same time that I
have previously sent in
my annual report (that
is the eighth of March)
My Daughter Belle Berry will
be a little past eighteen
at that time she is now
off at school. She will
return about that time
and her bills will be all
paid up so I can send
and it will be more
convenient to send in

Erie Illinois
Sept 10th 1881

Mr H Harwood
Dear Sir

I wrote you
some three months since
& sent you an order for
collection on Mrs J. W.
Darenfont for the amo-
unt I am indebted
to the Court in the
matter of the Guardian-
ship of my daughter Belle
Mr. Berry please let me
know what you did
in the way of collecting

With Oblige

Elizabeth M Berry

E. M. Berry

Whiteside Co
Illinois

Answered

10th paid Sep. 10/81.
3rd Balance due

Erie Ills May 3rd 81

Dear Sir

The last of Feb 4
sent you my fiscal
report as Guardian of
Belle M. Berry requesting
to be dismissed, as she is
now eighteen years old.
and I have heard nothing
from you. Please let
me know at once.

Respectfully
Mrs. E. M. Berry

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Guardianship of the Estate of
 the Minor, Belle M. Berry,
Mrs. E. M. Berry, Guardian, has filed, in the County Court
 of Dallas County, an Annual Account showing the condition of the Estate of her said
 Ward,
 which will be heard at the term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in
May, A. D. 1880, at the Court House in the City of Dallas, at which
 time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minor may appear and contest said
 Account, if they see proper.

WITNESS, A. HARWOOD, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office
 in the City of Dallas, this 11th day of March,
 A. D. 1880.

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.

By W. H. Shacker, Deputy.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Guardianship of the Estate of
 the Minor, Belle M. Berry,
Elizabeth M. Berry, Guardian, has filed, in the County Court
 of Dallas County, ^{her final} ~~an Annual~~ Account showing the condition of the Estate of her said
 Ward,
 which will be heard, at the term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in
March, A. D. 1881, at the Court House in the City of Dallas, at which
 time all persons interested in the welfare of said Minor may appear and contest said
 Account if they see proper.

WITNESS, A. HARWOOD, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office
 in the City of Dallas, this 7th day of March,
 A. D. 1881.

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.

By W. H. Shacker, Deputy.

No. 201

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF THE MINOR,

Belle M. Berry,
Guardian.
Mrs. S. M. Berry, Deceased.

Notice of filing Annual
Account.

Issued this eleven day of
March 1886.

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk,
By W. A. Thacker, Deputy.

DATERS & CLERKS, 191, DALLAS.

Taxed ✓

No. 201

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF THE MINOR,

Belle M. Berry,
Deceased.

Notice of filing ^{final} ~~Annual~~
Account.

Issued this 7th day of
March 1881.

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk,
By W. A. Thacker, Deputy.

DATERS & CLERKS, 191, DALLAS.

Coque to hand on the
7th day of March 1881
by post ^{sent} ~~sent~~ three copies
of this notice at three
public places in Dallas
to one of which was at
the door of ~~the~~ County
House of said County
By James Shuff
134 West 4th St

Filed 3rd ✓

to have on the 18th day of March 1880 and
was returned on the same day by a courier a copy
of this notice to be posted up at the door of the courthouse
in Tarrant county and two other copies at two other
public places in Dallas county
W. A. Thacker
Sheriff of Tarrant county

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of Sarah Beeler, Deceased

Franklin Beeler has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, an Application for the substitution of the last Will and Codicil thereto of said decedent, and the proof thereof (the same having been destroyed by fire) which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in March, A. D. 1881, at the Court House in the City of Dallas, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said Application, if they see proper.

WITNESS, A. HARWOOD, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Dallas, this 10th day of April, A. D. 1881.

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.

By *H. H. Baker* Deputy.

No. 39A

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

Sarah Beeler,
Deceased.

Notice of *App for substitution*
of *Will.*

Issued this *10th* day of
Feby. 188*1.*

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk,

By *W. H. Walker* Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN

Came to hand the *11th* day of *Feby*
188*1.*, and executed the *11th* day of *Feby*
188*1.*, by posting up three copies of this writ at three
public places in Dallas County, one of which was the
Court House Door of said County.

Bent Jones

Sheriff Dallas County,

By *S. H. Wootton* Deputy.

SMITH & GIBSON, PLS. DALLAS.

Sheriffs fee \$ *3 00*

Know all men by these presents, That I
 Bell M. Berry, now of Erie White Oak
 County Illinois, in consideration of one
 Hundred Dollars to me hand paid and
 for other good and valuable considerations
 do hereby release and discharge
 Elizabeth M. Berry, appointed my
 Guardian by the Probate Court of Dallas
 County Texas, from all obligations to
 me that she has ever incurred as such
 guardian, and do hereby acknowledge
 the receipt of all money and property
 coming to me or due to come to me
 from her as such guardian, and
 do certify that she has settled every
 thing with me as such guardian, and
 that I have received everything coming
 to me or that could come to me, and
 that we have had a final and full
 settlement since my coming of age
 and that she has paid me everything
 and is entitled to her full discharge
 from all and every responsibility
 as my guardian - and should be
 so discharged by the Court of Dallas
 County Texas, and this is to be
 filed with the files in said Court

as evidence of all herein stated =
Witness my hand and seal this 22nd
day of March 1881,

Belle M. Berry

State of Illinois
Whiteside County

John D. Fenton a Notary Public in and
for the said County of Whiteside
do hereby certify that Belle M. Berry who
is personally known to me and to the
persons whose names are subscribed to the
 foregoing instrument appeared before
me that day in person and acknowledged
that she signed sealed and delivered
the said instrument as her free and
voluntary act and deed for the uses
and purposes therein set forth
given under my hand and seal this 22nd
day of February 1881,

John D. Fenton,
Notary Public

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Estate of
Belle M. Berry
Minors

Ward's Receipt

Filed, March 28, 1881.
A. H. Harwood, Clerk.
By W. H. Thacker, dep.

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1879
 Erie March 3rd 1879 -

This is the Annual report
 of expenses of Belle M Berry by her Guardian
 Mrs E M Berry from March 1st 1879 to
 March 3rd 1880 -

March	1	no accounting report	.50 ^{ct}
"	10	Boarding at Danport from 7 th to 10 th	2.00
"	8	Bay Run ^{3rd} 1 piece Instrumental Music	1.30
"	"	" 1 piece Vocal Music ^{3rd} Rep Jewelry ^{4th}	1.00
"	"	" 1 Latin Book ^{5th} Physical Geog. ^{5th} by ^{10th}	3.50
"	10	" 1 ^{3rd} Photos ^{3rd} Cash ^{1st} 2.30	2.20
Apr	22	" 10 yds Calico ^{1st} - 7 yds Calico ^{4th}	1.40
	26	" 1 Pr bonnets ^{1st} 3 yds lace ^{4th}	2.10
"	"	" 2 Rolls Paper ^{1st} Hat trimming ^{4th} book ^{1st}	1.70
May	7	" 1 Pr kid gloves ^{1st} Postage ^{2nd}	.76
June	3	" Cash ^{4th} 1 Pr Shoes ^{1st} 32 pairs ^{1st} plaster ^{1st}	7.35
"	27	" Cash ^{8th} R.R. Ticket from Danport to Erie	9.50
"	"	" Taking Trunk to Depot	.50
July	12	" 1 Hat ^{2nd} 1 Ullster ^{1st} 1 piece Music ^{2nd}	4.30
"	"	" Section Board Washing Vocal & Instrumental	
"	"	" music from Oct 7 th 1878 to March 7 th 1879 - 122.00	
"	"	" Section Board Washing Vocal & Instrumental	
"	"	" music from March 7 th 1879 to June 7 th 79 - 74.00	
"	12	" Dr Bill ^{4th} 2 Bottles Hair ^{5th}	7.40
Aug	7	" Cash ^{2nd} or 20 th Cash ^{6th}	2.90
	25	" 1 Pr gloves ^{5th} dress goods ^{1st} Buttons ^{5th}	2.50
		" Lambic ^{1st} 2 yds drilling ^{2nd}	.35
		" 7 yds Cashmere ^{7th} - 7 Calico ^{5th}	7.50
			<u>368.62</u>

	Am't Paid-	\$268.62
Sept 8	To Cash	1.00
" "	" 5 yds Silk ^{75c} 2 doz Buttons ^{50c}	8.00
" "	" 3 " Dressing ^{2.25} felling dress ^{75c}	3.00
" "	" " pattern ^{52c} Shawl Strap Cover ^{60c}	1.15-
" "	" 1 piece music ^{40c}	.40
Oct 1	" 7 yds Ribbon	1.75-
" "	" 3 " Lace ^{2.75}	2.25-
" "	" Bay Rum	.35-
17	" 1 R.R. Ticket ^{1.15} to Cash ^{75c}	1.15-
20	" Ticket for local music book	3.00
28	" Living hire	1.40
Nov 1	" 1 To Shoes ^{3.50} 1 R.R. Ticket ^{1.00}	3.50
" "	" 3 1/2 yds R. flannel ^{1.75} 1 Rushe ^{1.15}	1.90
22	" Cash	2.00
Dec 13	" Cash	1.75-
Jan 5 '88	" 5 pieces music	1.85-
" "	" 1 Hood	1.25-
" "	" Cash	3.75-
23	" 1 Box paper ^{75c} Collars & cuffs ^{90c}	1.65-
" "	" 1 Pr Rubbers ^{1.00} 1 Rushe ^{2.00}	.60
" "	" 1 Umbrella ^{1.25}	1.25-
28	" coloring Silk	1.75-
" "	" 5 yds Ribbon	1.00
		\$213.02

State of Illinois }
 Whiteside County }
 Here C. M. Berry being duly sworn on
 her oath deposes and says that the above
 articles were furnished, as itemized in the above
 bill to Bell M. Berry by her guardian Mrs. C. M. Berry
 Subscribed and sworn to,

before me this 4th day of } E. M. Berry
March 4th 1880

William W. Seaman J.P.

State of Texas }
 County of Dallas }
 The final report of Elizabeth M Berry guardian
 of Belle M. Berry now arrived at her majority
 of all her assets and doing as guardian special
 of Belle M. while she was a minor - up to their
 majority from date of said guardianship
 showing all received and all paid out
 by said guardian - viz Elizabeth M Berry
 which is as follows:

The following is what she has paid out and expended
 for Belle M. Berry since Ward, when my last report
 of her was made.

March	14	By Cash	5.00
"	"	" Merchandise	4.00
"	20	" Cash	3.00
May	26	" Laid for Dress	2.00
"	28	" Cash	3.00
		" Cash for Males from Mrs St & John St	10.00
June	17	" 10 lbs Sugar Bill	16.00
"	"	" 6 lbs Tealot 2024 in 1884	5.00
"	"	" Expens Charges	.00
"	28	" 1 P. Shoes	3.00
July	19	" Ribbon ¹⁰ & Elastic ¹¹	1.30
"	24	" Bill Grocs at R. L. Burshalls	3.52
"	"	" " " J. H. Peterson & Sons	
"	"	" 6 lbs Sugar 30¢	1.80
"	"	" 1 lb Tea	.60
"	"	" 11 1/2 yds Lace 2 3/4¢	1.54
"	"	" 1 P. Shoes	.95
"	"	" 1 " Slippers	1.55
"	"	" Cash	2.58
August	3	" Bill Grocs at R. L. Burshalls	
"	"	" Mass 70¢ Thread ¹⁰ Ribbon ²⁰	.95
"	5	" Sackel by Bill	5.00
"	15	" 22 yds Bl ¹⁰ Cotton ¹²	2.64
"	"	" Cash	2.00

August	5	Market - forwarded					
"	16	" Rushing	68				
"	18	" 100 ⁰⁰ Ribbon 60 ⁰⁰	1.18				
Sept	6	" 1 B Corset ¹²⁵ Dress goods ¹⁸⁹ Drilling ²⁵ Lace ⁵⁵	3.41				
"	10	" Buttons ³⁵ Thread ¹⁰⁰ Buttons ¹⁰⁰ Wiggins ¹⁰⁰ Gloves ¹⁰⁰	1.90				
"	17	" Parabol & Gloves ^{4.00} Tringe ¹⁰⁰ Lace ¹⁰⁰	6.76				
Oct	2	" Embroidery	85				
"	10	" Cash paid for one term Vocal & Instrumental Music	70.00				
Nov	1	" Doctor Bills	2.00				
Dec	1	" 3 1/2 yds Water Proof	4.98				
"	"	" Braid ¹⁰⁰ Buttons ⁵⁰ embroidery ¹⁰⁰ Pattern ¹⁰⁰	1.70				
"	16	" Brown silk ⁵⁰ 2 Spools Sewing Silk ³⁰	.10				
"	"	" Cashmere ^{3.00} Drilling ³⁰	3.80				
Jan	3 rd	" Thread ¹⁰⁰ Novelty goods ¹⁰⁰ 3 1/2 yds Blannel ¹⁰⁰	2.40				
Feb	8	" 1 B Siberian Factors	2.75				
"	"	" Cash	2.00				
"	"	" Cash paid for Taxes & Redemption of the following described property to wit: S 1/4 of T 10 R 10 S 10-126-126 in Stat. Min also S 1/4 " " " " " " " " " " " "					
for the year	1868	\$ 6.32	for 1869	\$ 5.09	for 1870	\$ 4.00	19.50
"	1871	\$ 5.48	" 1872	\$ 4.58	" 1873	\$ 5.92	15.98
"	1874	\$ 3.49	" 1875	\$ 2.28	" 1876	\$ 4.04	9.81
"	1877	\$ 2.70	" 1878	\$ 2.37	" 1879	\$ 2.00	7.07
"	1880	\$ 1.46	The amounts charged is one half				1.46
amt paid by me on said lands for taxes stated							
making a total paid out by me since my last report of							\$ 248.94
as by previous reports shown I have paid							
out all together for said lands up to date							\$ 1466.60
of last previous Report the sum of							\$ 1715.44
I shall pay out for the same							

during guardianship
 Total amount of bonds sold received
 by me is as follows, from Noble life
 insurance \$1504.54 and out-
 of state of bonds grand total \$1258.00
 Total received = \$ 1634.54
 Have paid out of my own Money \$ 81.00
 for bonds
 & coming said \$ 81.00 balance in my favor
 all of which is respectfully submitted
 Dated this 22nd day of February, 1881.

Elizabeth M. Berry

State of Illinois
 Whitehall County
 I Elizabeth M. Berry first being duly
 sworn according to law do depose and
 say, that the foregoing is a true and correct
 final report of all my acts and doings
 money and property received and expended
 as guardian of said Bell M. Berry appointed
 as such guardian by the probate court
 of Dallas County, Texas, that the whole estate
 coming to my hands amounted to \$1634.54
 that I have expended for said ward while
 I have been her guardian as such guardian
 the sum of \$81.00. That I do not
 the balance of \$81.00 to her, that she
 has now arrived at her majority
 and I ask to be discharged as guardian
 the said Bell M. Berry having reached her majority,
 subscribed and sworn
 to before me this 22nd day of February, 1881,
 Elizabeth M. Berry
 W. H. Allen
 Notary Public