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rected to the Sheriff of said County of Suffolk or his Deputy, commanding them to summon the said Ellen M. Francois to appear before the Justices of this Court at the present term thereof, to answer to said libel.

And now the libellant appears and enters his libel, and a Deputy Sheriff of said County of Suffolk makes return that on the Tenth day of January, 1865, he summoned the said Ellen M. Francois that she may appear at Court as directed by giving her in hand an attested copy of said libel and summons, - but the said Ellen M. Francois although solemnly called to come into Court doth not appear, but makes default.

Whereupon a hearing is had, and the allegations of said libel being satisfactorily proved, it is ordered and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony subsisting between the said Edward R. Francois and Ellen M. Francois be and the same are hereby dissolved on account of the adultery of the said Ellen M. Francois.

465. Thomas J. Stevens of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex, husband of Laura Ann Stevens of said Boston, libellant in a libel for divorce, against the said Laura Ann Stevens, libellee, in which he represents, that on the first day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty five, he was married to Laura Ann Waterhouse, at said Charlestown by the Rev. Zachariah Bridge; that said libellant and the said Laura Ann lived together thereafter as husband and wife at said Charlestown until the twenty sixth day of May in the year eighteen hundred and fifty eight; that said libellant always remained faithful in all his marriage obligations to said Laura Ann, but that she, without cause, on said twenty sixth day of May in the year eighteen hundred and fifty eight, deserted said libellant and removed to said Boston, (where she now resides,) and has continued her said

desertion to the time of filing the libel.

Wherefore he prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed to him, and for such further order and decree as to the Court may seem meet.

This libel was filed in the Clerk's office of this Court on the Twenty first day of March last, and thereupon a summons was issued directed to the Sheriff of said County of Suffolk or either of his Deputies, commanding them to summon the said Laura Ann Stevens to appear before the Justices of this Court at the present term thereof, to answer to said libel.

And now the libellant appears and enters his libel, and a Deputy Sheriff of said County of Suffolk makes return that on the Twenty first day of March 1865, he served the said Laura Ann Stevens, with a true and attested copy of said libel and order of Court thereon by delivering the same to her in hand, for her to appear and answer as within required, - but the said Laura Ann Stevens although solemnly called to come into Court doth not appear, but makes default.

Whereupon a hearing is had and the allegations of said libel being satisfactorily proved, it is ordered and decreed by the Court that the bonds of matrimony subsisting between the said Thomas J. Stevens and Laura Ann Stevens be and the same are hereby dissolved on account of the desertion of the said Laura Ann Stevens.

467. George N. Coass of Medfield, in the County of Norfolk, husband of Almira Coass of Boston afore-said, libellant in a libel for divorce, against the said Almira Coass, libellee, in which he represents that he was married to the respondent, then Almira Plummer, in the year 1857, at Killingby in the State of Connecticut; that his said wife is now of Boston in said County

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Summs and Copy,

Thomas J. Stevens

Lena Ann Stevens,

A. W. Boardman
for Libellant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Suffolk, ss.

To the Sheriff of Our County of Suffolk, or either of
his Deputies,

GREETING:

WE COMMAND you that you summon *Laura Ann Stevens*
of Boston, in the County
of Suffolk

if & he may be found within your
precinct, to appear before the Justices of our Supreme Judicial Court, to be
holden at Boston, within and for the County of Suffolk,

on the *first* Tuesday of *April*
next; then and there in said Court, to answer unto the Libel and Complaint
of *Thomas J. Stevens* the *husband*
of said *Laura Ann Stevens* filed in the Clerk's office of said
Court, on the day of the date hereof, praying for a divorce from *the bonds*
of matrimony for the cause set forth
in the libel.

a true copy of which is upon the other side. Hereof fail not,
and have you there ~~this~~ writ with your doings herein.

WITNESS, *George T. Bigelow*
~~HEMUEL SHAW~~, ESQUIRE, at Boston, the *twenty first*
day of *March* in the year of our Lord,
one thousand eight hundred and *fifty five*.

Geo. C. Wilde, CLERK.

To the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme
Judicial Court next to be holden in and for
the County of Suffolk.

(Internal
Revenue
Stamp)

Respectfully represents Thomas J. Stevens
of Charlestown in the County of Middlesex,
that on the first day of February, in the year
eighteen hundred and fifty five, he was married
to Laura Ann Waterhouse, at said Charlestown
by the Rev. Zachariah Mudge; that your libellant
and the said Laura Ann lived together thereafter
as husband and wife at said Charlestown until
the twenty sixth day of May in the year
Eighteen hundred and fifty Eight; that your
libellant always remained faithful in all
his marriage obligations to said Laura Ann,
but that she, without cause, on said twenty
sixth day of May, in the year eighteen hundred
and fifty Eight, deserted your libellant, and
removed to Boston, in the County of Suffolk,
(where she now resides,) and has continued
her said desertion to the time of filing this
libel.

Wherefore he prays that a divorce from
the bonds of matrimony may be decreed
to him, and for such further order and
decree as to the Court may seem meet.

Thomas J. Stevens.

Boston, 21. March, 1865.

Filed in the Clerk's office of the Supreme Judicial
Court, Suffolk County, March 21. 1865.

Attest,

John D. Nichols, Asst. Clerk.

A true copy of said libel and of the filing
thereon,

Attest,

Geo. C. Wride, Clerk.

Suffolk S.D. Boston. March. 21st 1865. By Virtue hereof.
I this day served, the within named, Laura Ann. Stevens, with
a true and attested copy of this Libel, and order of Court. thereon
by delivering the same to her in hand, for her to appear, and
answer as within required.

Fees. \$5.00

Alfred A. Hale,
D. Sheriff

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To the Honorable, the Justices of
the Supreme Judicial Court next to
be holden in and for the County of
Suffolk:

Respectfully represents Thomas J.
Stevens of Charlestown in the County
of Middlesex, that on the first day
of February in the year eighteen hun-
dred and fifty five, he was married
to Laura Ann Waterhouse at said
Charlestown by the Rev. Zachariah Mudge;
that your libellant and the said
Laura Ann lived together thereafter
as husband & wife at said Charle-
town until the twenty sixth day
of May in the year eighteen hun-
dred and fifty eight; that your li-
bellant always remained faithful in
all his marriage obligations to said
Laura Ann; but that she, without
cause, on said twenty sixth day of
May in the year eighteen hundred
and fifty eight deserted your li-
bellant, and removed to Boston in
the County of Suffolk, (where she
now resides,) and has continued

her said desertion to the time
of filing this libel.

Wherefore he prays, that a
divorce from the bond of matrimony
may be decreed to him, and
for such further aid and decree
as to the Court may seem meet.

Thomas J. Stevens

Boston. 21 March. 1865

Filed in the Clerk's office of the Supreme
Judicial Court, Suffolk County, March 21. 1865.

Attest, Geo. W. Nichols. Apt. Clerk.