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Clerk's Loose Papers

Complaint for Nuisance against the Hopkins Company & Eastern College

To Honorable J. B. T. Thornton, Judge of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, Virginia

The undersigned, citizens of the County of Prince William and State of Virginia, respectfully make complaint unto Your Honor that there exists a public and common nuisance in said County which is caused by the Hopkins Company and Eastern College, as the undersigned believe and charge, by the refuse and waste matters of various descriptions discharged and overflowing from the sewerage system of the said concerns. This waste matter, consisting of filth and impure matters of different kinds, is cast out from the sewerage system, causing a pool and is then thrown in to a branch. The undersigned state that this is a public and common nuisance, and that the effects from the same will grow worse with the approach of warm weather.

Respectfully,

John Harper

T. S. Lyles

Quince Finger

Huriah Wilkerson

Mrs. Rachel Robinson

Charlie H. Roy

Samuel Johnson

B. E. White

Grand Jury Presentment

"A True Bill"

We the Grand Jury of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in and for the County of Prince William, on our oath at the April Term, 1910, of the said Circuit Court of the said Prince William County, do present that The Hopkins Company, a corporation, and The Eastern College, a corporation, have created a public and common nuisance in said County of Prince William County, by discharging and accumulating refuse and waste matters from the sewer system used by said corporations, the said refuse consisting of filth and impure matters of different kinds, and casting the same into a branch against the Peace and Dignity of the Commonwealth.

J. S. Huff

Grand Jury Foreman