

In the Supreme Court of Civil Justice VJ

In Bankruptcy

Thursday the 13 day of September AD 1866

In the matter of Augustus Langford Brown  
a prisoner in the Gaol of Victoria and of appeal  
by whom a petition for adjudication of  
Bankruptcy hath this day been filed.

Before the Chief Justice

The said Chief Justice upon good proof upon oath  
before me this day do find that the said  
Augustus Langford Brown became Bankrupt  
within the true intent and meaning of the  
Law of Bankruptcy before the day of the date  
of the filing of the said petition by him and  
I do therefore declare and adjudge him Bankrupt  
accordingly this 13 day of September AD 1866 at  
the hour of One o'clock & 50 minutes p.m.



Chief Justice.

Per  
Acting Registrar

Supreme Court of Civil Justice  
Registrar's Office James Bay 89  
September 11. AD 1866

My Lord

In the matter of A. L. Brown a prisoner in  
N. W. Gaol at Victoria

I beg leave to inform your Lordship that  
I attended at the Gaol and examined the  
prisoner touching his Estate and effects, debts  
dealings & transactions. Enclosed is the evidence  
taken before me. - I did not consider myself  
justified in discharging the prisoner from custody  
considering that he has it in his power to pay the  
Court Fees which will amount to something  
between \$15 and \$25. - And also that he has  
handed the sum of \$309 <sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> - to Mr Bailey a  
creditor who has no judgment against him. -

I would respectfully suggest that an  
order be made that the Gaoler do bring the  
said Augustus Langford Brown, up on Wednesday  
the 19<sup>th</sup> instant, when he can be examined  
by your Lordship

I have the honor to be

My Lord

Your Lordship's

Most obedient & humble Servant

Richard Woods

Acting Registrar

His Honor  
The Chief Justice

the Court of Civil Justice Vancouver Island

Police Bunnells.

Victoria September 4<sup>th</sup> 1866

In the matter of

Augustus Langford Brown

a Prisoner in HM Gaol at Victoria.

Sh<sup>d</sup> by Richard Wood.

Augustus Langford Brown whose name  
last residence in Elk Lake, Lake District, occupation  
notting, gentleman, Cause of incarceration debt  
for \$232 on a promissory note due to John  
Stevens. I did not pay it because I had no means, -  
the debt was incurred part for board, residence  
liquor, & I was at Stevens for 3 weeks, at \$1  
per week. the balance of for whiskey. I have an  
yearly income of \$40 per annum from my  
father's will, I had no real estate or means out  
here in the Colony, no jewelry of any kind; -  
I can't say I drank all the whiskey myself. I  
recollect about the time I was imprisoned, a month  
last Friday, I have had no money since I was  
incarcerated. I did - give a cheque on the  
Bank of N. Columbia since my incarceration, -  
The money came before I was in fact, it came the  
day before, the cheque was for \$309.00. Certain of  
the amount, Bailey where I've been stopping had a  
power of attorney to receive the money, -  
Bailey had this power of atty. given before I was  
put in jail. - Some of the money was paid for  
law expenses. - I gave Bailey instructions to pay William  
a bill that had been owing 12 months & more,

My Country,

R.W. -

amounting to \$30, I know Bailey paid Pete Welch  
\$20 out of the balance,  
I did not instruct Bailey to pay Pete Welch  
the \$20. — Bailey has the balance & I suppose  
he has paid out of it for my part in bill, —

~~James~~ Bailey had notes for \$300. — Bailey did speak Copleland x ed.  
to me about the payment of the notes prior to the  
Power of Attorney being granted, and allowed  
me to incur a further expense in consequence of  
giving this power of Attorney. <sup>I kept the notes cheque,</sup>  
under the power of Attorney, <sup>which cashed, thereby collected the same.</sup> — When Bailey got  
the cheque was not in fact, — If Bailey had  
got the whole of the cheque he would not have been  
overpaid, I had no intention of leaving the Colony.  
I had made arrangements to stay in the Colony  
I was going to farming, I had arranged for a  
farm. — His income I don't remember having told  
Stevens that I was going to leave the Colony, Mr  
Stevens — spoke to me about letters in Mr  
Bailey & letters ~~the~~ <sup>me</sup> fee, Stevens said he did  
not care about his bill, he said he'd forgive me if  
I'd only let Bailey in. He proposed that I should leave  
the Country & let Bailey in, I had spoken to Chairman  
about the undertaking was going into, the work for  
me, I had an idea of having a hotel in conjunction  
with the farm, I had made arrangements to pay  
for this, I sent a power of Attorney to the Old Country,  
to my trustees to dispose of the annuity, & I drew  
bills of exchange in favor of Bailey, part payment,  
The \$300 due to Bailey was for board & lodg; & some money Cty.  
lent, I couldn't tell how much for board & lodg; etc,  
I saved some of this for whiskey, I was there 3 months  
can't say how much longer. I don't know exactly  
how much was for money lent.

The money was due Stevens before Baley —  
I drew bills in favor of Baley on the Old Country  
for £200,

Rev. Copley.

Stevens never turned me out of his house, & did  
not tell me to leave,

I used Baley an open account besides the note,

Augustus L. Brown.

Lechmere Woods  
Acting Register

4<sup>th</sup> September 1866

In the Supreme Court of Civil Justice  
Vancouver Island

In Bankruptcy

Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September  
A.D. 1866

The humble Petition of  
Augustus Langford Brown now  
a prisoner for debt in gaol at  
Victoria Vancouver Island late  
of Government Street Victoria and  
having resided within the  
jurisdiction of this Honorable  
Court six months next immediately  
preceeding the date of this  
Petition and next before his  
committal to prison

Sheweth

That your Petitioner being a  
prisoner in Victoria Gaol and being  
unable to meet his engagements with  
his creditors doth pray that he  
may be adjudged a Bankrupt

And your petitioner states  
that he has given notice in writing  
to the Keeper of the above named  
Gaol of his intention to file his Petition

And your petitioner not having  
the means of paying the fees and  
expenses usually payable in respect  
of a Petition by a debtor for an adjudication  
of Bankruptcy hath made an affidavit  
to that effect as required by Statute

Augustus Langford Brown

In the Supreme Court of  
Civil Justice Vancouver Island

In Bankruptcy

I the within named  
Petitioner Augustus Langford  
Brown make oath and say  
that the allegations in the  
annexed Petition are true

Augustus Langford, Brown.

Sworn at the Gaol  
Victoria N. C. this  
Fourth day of September  
A. D. 1866

Before me  
Richard Woods  
A. C.

In the Supreme Court of Civil  
Justice Vancouver Island

In Bankruptcy

I the undersigned Augustus  
Langford Brown being now a  
prisoner for debt in the Gaol  
at Victoria Vancouver Island  
and being desirous of Petitioning  
for an adjudication of Bankruptcy  
against myself do make oath  
and say that I have not the  
means of paying the fees and  
expenses usually payable in  
respect of a Petition by a debtor  
for an adjudication of Bankruptcy

Woods

Augustus Langford Brown,

Sworn at the Gaol  
Victoria V. I this  
fourth day of September  
A D 1866

Before me  
Richard Woods