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*In re* Gulábdás Bháidás. who, it is admitted, had no notice that the shares were not fully paid up. The decision in In re Stapleford Colliery Company(1) shows that as between the company and Mr. Dadysett the three shares must be treated as paid up, and that he could make a good title to a purchase whether with or without notice. It appears that they were sold to the appellant Gulábdas, who was the managing director of the company, and it has been urged that, as such. he must have known that the shares had been issued as fully paid up shares without complying with section 28 of Act VI of 1882, and cannot, therefore, take advantage of the rule which protects a purchaser with notice taking from a purchaser without notice. This argument, however, was addressed to the Court in In re Stapleford Colliery Company<sup>(1)</sup> where the appellant and his father, whose executor he was, had been the solicitor and chairman of the company at the time of the agreement with the contractor; and yet the Appeal Court held that the fact of their being such officers made no difference in their title.

We are unable to distinguish the present case from the one referred to, and must, therefore, discharge the order of the Court below placing the name of Mr. Gulábdás on the list of contributories. Appellant to have his costs throughout.

Order reversed.

(1) 14 Ch. D., 432.

APPELLATE CIVIL.

Before Sir Charles Sargent, Kt., Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Candy.

VENKATESH KHANDO AND ANOTHER, PLAINTIFFS, V. CHANAPGAVDA, 15. DEFENDANT.\*

Award-Civil Procedure Code (XIV of 1882), Sec. 525.—Application for filing the award registered as a suit-Objections taken by the defendant-Court precluded from filing award.

An application for filing an award being registered as a suit, the defendant raised objections, and the following issues were raised :---

(1) Whether a certain arbitrator was nominated or accepted as one of the arbitrators by the defendant?

(2) Whether there was any and what illegality apparent on the face of the award?

(3) Whether the proceedings conducted by the arbitrators were illegal?

Held that the objections taken by the defendant, which were the subject of the above issues, precluded the Court from tiling the award.

THIS was a reference made by Ráo Bahádur Vithal Vaikunth Vágle, First Class Subordinate Judge of Dhárwár, under section 617 of the Civil Procedure Code (XIV of 1882).

The reference was as follows :---

"This was an application registered as a suit under section 525 of the Civil Procedure Code (XIV of 1882) for filing an award made by arbitrators appointed by the parties without the intervention of the Court.

"The defendant objected to the award being filed, on the following grounds:---

"(1) The application was time-barred.

"(2) The award was made without authority and was illegal.

"(3) His signature to the agreement of submission to the arbitration was obtained on 18th April, 1891, without mentioning the names of the arbitrators. One Krishnáji Tirko's name was fraudulently inserted in the margin of the agreement in the place of Shripad Náik, and the parties were the same day examined by the other two arbitrators in the absence of the said Krishnáji Tirko. The appointment of Krishnáji thus made was illegal.

"(4) Shripal Náik-having refused to act as an arbitrator, he (defendant) prayed for the appointment of a Lingáyat arbitrator whom he considered trustworthy. He was, however, told that it could be subsequently done, and that for the present nothing beyond the examination of accounts would be done. Under this misrepresentation his signature was taken to a stamped agreement on 28th April, 1891, without disclosing the contents thereof. From that day up to the last, the arbitrator Bálkrishna Shástri never took any part in the arbitration.

"(5) The proceedings conducted in the absence of Krishnaji and Bálkrishna are illegal: a fortiori the award based thereon was also illegal and void. 1892.

VENKATESH Khando U. Chanapgavda. 1392, VENRATESH KHANDO <sup>V.</sup> CHANAP-GAVDA. "(6) The award was not made on the 15th June, 1891, as it purports to be, but was made in the month of September.

"(7) He (defendant) repeatedly protested against the proceedings taken by the remaining arbitrators without appointing proper persons in the place of Bálkrishna, who was absent, and of Shripad, who refused to act, but they paid no heed to it and refused to receive the written application given hy him. He thereupon sent his application by post on 15th June, 1891. They made an award on plain paper and fraudulently antedated it. Bálkrishna Shástri's signatures to the proceedings were afterwards taken, and no copy of the award was given to him.

"(8) The plaintiffs have been awarded time-barred items and have wrongly discredited the receipts passed by the plaintiffs' deceased father for certain payments.

"(9) The two arbitrators, who really conducted the proceedings, did not take down his statements correctly and did not examine him fully. They rejected what evidence he tendered, and having accepted inadmissible evidence from the plaintiffs made the award with partiality in collusion with the plaintiffs.

"(10) The award could not be filed, the proceedings of the arbitrators being illegal, fraudulent and unjust."

The Court thereupon raised, in all, eight points for decision, out of which points Nos. 1, 2 and 3 were as follows :---

"(1) Whether Krishnáji Tirko was nominated or accepted as one of the arbitrators by the defendant?

"(2) Whether there is any and what illegality apparent on the face of the award?

"(3) Whether the proceedings conducted by the arbitrators were illegal ?"

The Subordinate Judge referred the following point for decision:---

"Whether the Court has power to enquire into the allegations made by the defendant, and then to file the award, or refer the applicants to a separate suit, as it thinks fit according to the circumstances disclosed in the enquiry?" The Subordinate Judge's opinion on the point was in the affirmative.

Dhondu M. Sanzgiri (amicus curice) for the plaintiffs.

Náráyan G. Chandávarkar (amicus curiæ) for the defendant.

SARGENT, C. J.:—The decision in Sámal v. Jaishankar<sup>(1)</sup>, which was followed in *Hirjibhai* v. Jamsetji<sup>(2)</sup> and is in accordance with the remarks of the Calcutta Court in *Bijádhur* v. *Monohur*<sup>(3)</sup>, is conclusive that the objections taken to the award by the defendant, which are the subject of issues 1, 2 and 3, preclude the Court from filing the award, unless, indeed, as Mr. Justice West expressed it in *Sámal* v. *Jaishankar*<sup>(1)</sup>, the Court considers the objections "obviously unfounded," which there is no ground for doing in the present case. The question, therefore, raised by the decision in *Dándekar* v. *Dándekars*<sup>(4)</sup> does not arise and need not be considered.

## Order accordingly.

(1) I. L. R., 9 Bom., 254,
(2) P. J. for 1890, p. 250.

(3) I. L. R., 10 Cale., 11. (4) I. L. R., 6 Bom., 663.

## APPELLATE CIVIL.

Before Mr. Justice Buyley, Chief Justice (Acting), and Mr. Justice Candy. PURUSHOTTAM VA'MAN SOMAN (ORIGINAL DEFENDANT), APPELLANT, v. KA'SHIDA'S JEYCHANDSHET (ORIGINAL PLAINTIFF), RESPONDENT.\*

1892. September 16.

Kkoti lands-Mortgage-Sale in execution of decree on mortgage-Suit for possession by assignce of purchaser at such sale-Consent of ikot to alienation.

One Babsha, the registered occupant of certain lands situate in a *khoti* village, mortgaged the lands to one Velji, who got a decree on the mortgage. In execution of the decree the lands were sold to Pánáchand, who assigned them to the plaintiff. In January, 1878, the defendant, as *khot*, took possession of the land, alleging that Babsha had no right to mortgage; that he had left the village and forfeited his occupancy; that he (the defendant) had thereupon rightfully taken possession of the land in 1878, and that the occupancy had been declared forfeited by the revenue authorities in August, 1887, under sections 86 and 153 of the Bombay Land Revenue Code, Bombay Act V of 1879. In 1888 the plaintiff brought this suit to recover the lands. The lower Court held that the defendant by accepting rent from the mortgagee was proved to have "consented to the mortgage and its necessary consequences."

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