

To the Hon. Mr. Nelson Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County  
 The report of Simon L. Simmons trustee appointed by the decree in this  
 cause to make sale of certain real estate therein mentioned shows that  
 after giving bond with security for the faithful discharge of his trust as  
 required by said decree and giving notice of the time place manner and  
 terms of sale by advertisements in the Frederick Examiner a newspaper -  
 published in Frederick town for more than three successive weeks before  
 the day of sale and also in the Republican Centinel and the Maryland  
 Union he did pursuant to said notice attend at the City Hotel in  
 Frederick town on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July 1857 at half past one o'clock  
 and then and there proceeded to sell said real estate and sold the same  
 to Samuel Dixon he having then and there the highest bidder therefor  
 at and for the sum of \$6576 per acre making the aggregate sum of -  
 \$8350.25 for said real estate and your trustee has since repeatedly urged  
 and demanded of said Dixon to comply with the terms of sale but he has  
 as yet wholly failed to pay any part of said purchase money or to  
 execute his notes for the the deferred payments nor has he given to your  
 trustee any satisfactory assurance that he will be able to comply with  
 the said terms of sale And your trustee further reports that although  
 the crops now growing upon said real estate have not excepted in the  
 Report advertisements yet that both your trustee and the said Dixon at the time  
 of said sale understood that said crops were not embraced in said sale as  
 did also others who bid for said real estate at said sale which is respectfully  
 submitted Frederick County to Wit

On this 2 day of September 1857 before the subscriber a justice of the peace  
 in and for said County personally appeared the within named Simon L.  
 Simmons and made oath that the matters and things stated in the  
 foregoing report are true to the best of his knowledge and belief and that the  
 sale therein reported were fairly made

Done before William Higgins  
 N<sup>o</sup> 2725 Equity In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court  
 of Equity. Ordered that the sales made and reported by Simon L. Simmons  
 trustee for the sale of the real estate of the infants mentioned in proceedings  
 in this cause be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary be  
 shown before the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1857 provided a copy of this order  
 be inserted in some newspaper published in Frederick once in each of  
 three successive weeks before the said 25<sup>th</sup> day of September The amount  
 of sales reported is \$8350.25  
 Edward Shriver Clerk of the  
 Circuit Court for Frederick County

N<sup>o</sup> 2725 Equity In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as  
 a Court of Equity July Term 1857. Ordered that the sales within reported  
 be and the same are hereby ratified and confirmed no cause to the contra-  
 ry thereof having been shown although notice appears to have been given as  
 directed by the proceedings order. The trustee is allowed the usual comm-  
 ision and all expenses for which he shall exhibit satisfactory vouchers  
 to the auditor

Mr. Nelson  
 26 Sept 1857