were the following proceedings to wit,

Sophia Simmons on Petition

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit — on the 9th day of November 1863 came the said Sophia Simmons in Court here sitting by Milton G. Urner Solicitor and filed in Court here the following Report & Exhibit.

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To the Honorable Madison Nelson Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity.

The report of Sophia Simmons of Frederick County State of Maryland sheweth — that in pursuance of a power vested in her as mortgagee by a mortgage executed by Israel Mathis and Eveline his wife to Sophia Simmons, dated on the 27th day of May 1861 and recorded in Liber P.G.F. No folio 1. One of the land records of Frederick County respectfully sheweth, that after giving bond with approved security according to law, she advertised the mortgaged premises described in said deed of mortgage in the Republican Citizen, for more than one month prior to the day of sale, That on the twenty fourth day of October 1863, at Joseph A. Lechlider's Hotel in the town of Liberty, Frederick County, the time and place, manner in the advertisement she offered at public sale all those five lots of ground situate in North Street in Liberty town and known and described in the plan of said town as lots Nos 231. 230. 229. 228 & 227. which are the same lots described and set forth in said deed of mortgage herewith exhibited marked No 1. that at said time and place she sold the said lots of ground at public sale to Mary McMaster of said County, at and for the sum of five hundred and twenty five dollars she being the highest and best bidder for the same for cash, — all of which is respectfully submitted.

Sophia Simmons

Frederick County State of Maryland Sct.

On this 3d day of November 1863 before me one of the justices of the peace in and for said County and State personally appeared Sophia Simmons and made oath in due form of law that the matters and things stated in the foregoing report are true as therein stated, and that the sales therein reported were fairly made.

Sworn before Dennis Etzler

Exhibit No 1. This Indenture, made this 27th day of May eighteen hundred and sixty one, between Israel Mathews and Eveline his wife, of Frederick County and State of Maryland of the one part and Sophia Simmons of the County and State aforesaid of the other part, witnesseth — Whereas the said Israel Mathews by his note duly executed to Sophia Simmons, on the 27th day of May Eighteen hundred and Sixty one for the sum of three hundred and sixty five dollars and Eighty two cents, for one year, with interest from 20th April eighteen hundred and sixty one, Now the said Israel Mathews and Eveline his wife, for the better securing the said Sophia Simmons the payment of said note with interest aforesaid, as also in consideration of the sum of one dollar to them the said Israel Mathews and Eveline his wife, in hand paid by the said Sophia Simmons, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted, bargained and sold and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell and release to the said Sophia Simmons her heirs and assigns, all those five lots of ground situated in North Street in Liberty town and known and described in the plan of said Town as lots No 231. 230. 229, 228 & 227. which lots or parcels of land was conveyed to said Israel Mathews by Daniel Sweadner, Executor of Silas Wates dec^d. by deed dated 26th day of September eighteen hundred and fifty seven, as by reference to which deed will more