signed the above writing in my presence, and then acknowledged the same as her free act and deed. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of the County Court of said County, this 25th day of April A.D. 1866. — (Seal) (Seal)

S. S. Gunsley, County Judge
Columbia Co. Wisconsin

District of Columbia Washington County. —

I Certify that on this second day of May in the year 1866 John McDuell who is to me well known signed the foregoing writing in my presence and then acknowledged the same as his free act and deed. — In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my official (Seal) seal this second day of May A.D. 1866. —

M. Callan Notary Public.

Petition

Robert McDuel & wife
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John McDuel & al

No. 3294 Equity. —

Circuit Court for Frederick County. —

I Magdalena McDuel widow of Henry McDuel late of Frederick County State of Maryland dec^d do agree that the real estate of the said dec^d should be sold under the direction of the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity free from my dower therein and that in lieu thereof I will accept such proportion of the proceeds of sale of said real estate as the Court shall deem reasonable. —

Witness present D. I. Price —

Magdalena McDuell

State of Maryland Frederick County Set. —

On this 13th day of July 1866 before me the subscriber a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for Frederick County personally appeared Samuel Shultz and made oath in due form of law that Magdalena McDuel widow of Henry McDuel dec^d is at this time aged fifty one years and that her general health is good. —

Leighman Price J.P.

Decree

Robert McDuel & wife
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John McDuel et al

No. 3294 Equity. —

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity. —
July Term 1866. —

The above cause standing ready for a hearing & being submitted, the bill, answer, exhibits, order of publication & all other proceedings were by the Court read & considered. It is thereupon this 4th day of August in the year Eighteen hundred & sixty six by me Madison Nelson Circuit Judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of the State of Maryland, and by the authority of the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity ordered, adjudged and decreed, that the said bill of complaint be & the same is hereby taken pro confesso, against John McDuel and Eliza McDuel his wife, Ann Selena Swallewood, Geo. E. Kennedy & Elizabeth Susan Kennedy his wife, William Hay & Sarah Jeannette Hay his wife, John McDuel and McDuel his wife Michael Carley & Jane Carley his wife the non resident defendants. — It is further adjudged, ordered and decreed, that the land & premises mentioned in these proceedings be sold free from the dower right of Magdalena McDuel widow of Henry McDuel dec^d. She having assented thereto and that Robert McDuel of Frederick County be & he is hereby appointed a Trustee to make the said sales, and that the course & manner of his proceedings shall be as follows, He shall first file in the Clerk's Office of this Court a bond to the State of Maryland, executed by himself with sufficient surety or sureties, to be approved by the Court or the Clerk thereof, in the penalty of thirty thousand dollars conditioned for the faithful performance of the trust reposed in him by this decree, or which may be reposed in him by any future order or decree in the premises. — He shall then proceed to make sale of the said real estate, having first given at least three weeks previous notice, inserted in some newspaper printed in Frederick County, and such other notice as he may think proper of the time, place, manner & terms of sale, which terms shall be as follows; One third of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, or on the ratification thereof by the Court, the residue in two equal annual payments from the day of sale the purchaser or purchasers giving his, her, or their notes, with

Trustee's Report

Exhibit No. 1