This Mortgage made this 21st day of October 1856 by Mrs Rebecca Nichols of Frederick County State of Maryland — Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of one hundred & sixty five dollars & eighty three cents with interest thereon from date now due from the said Rebecca Nichols to J H Besant & Co. of Frederick County State of Maryland, the said Rebecca Nichols doth grant unto the said J. H Besant & Co. one frame house & lot situate in the village of Point of Rocks County & State aforesaid lying and being on the North side of the Balto & Ohio Rail Road and adjoining the lands of J H Mann on the West, Johnsons Estate on the North & East & the land of Balto & Ohio Rail Road on the South & purchased of James Walling by the said Rebecca Nichols provided that if said Rebecca Nichols shall pay on or before the 21st day of October 1857 to the said Jas H Besant & Co the sum of one hundred & 65 dollars & Eighty three cents with the interest thereon from date then this Mortgage shall be void

Witness my hand and seal

Test. Wm H Smith

Rebecca her × mark Nichols (Seal)

State of Maryland Frederick County to Wit

I hereby Certify that on this 21st day of October in the year 1856 before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the said State in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Rebecca Nichols and acknowledged the foregoing Mortgage to be her act and at the same time before me also appeared James H Besant one of the firm of Jas H Besant one of the firm of James H Besant and Company and made oath in due form of Law that the Consideration in the said Mortgage is true and bona fide as therein set forth

Wm H Smith J. P.

Rebecca Nichols died about one year left Charles L of age John N & Richard infants still live at Point

Office of the Maryland Union Frederick City Mc April 20th 1859, This is to Certify that the annexed order nisi was published in the Mc Union printed in Frederick once a week for three successive weeks prior to the 28th of February 1859

Johnson & Cole
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