Maryland, Set.

The State of Maryland, to Martha V. Crampton Oscar P. Crampton and Thomas A. Crampton of Frederick County, Greeting —

You are hereby commanded that all excuses set apart, you personally appear before the Judges of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity, to be held at the Court House in Frederick town, in and for said County, on the second Monday of May next to answer the Bill and Complaint of Benjamin P. Crampton, against you in our said Court Exhibited, and Wforth —

Hereof fail you not, as you will answer the Contrary at your peril. — Witness the Honorable Madison Nelson, Chief Judge of our said Court, the 15th day of February 1869 —

Issued the 24th day of February 1869 —

To the Sheriff of Frederick County —

Charles Manty, Clerk

Endorsed "Non Est"

"As to Thomas, "Summoned" as to residue —

Filed April 23rd 1869 —

N O Neighbours, Sheriff

Answer of Martha V Crampton & Sarah A Hamilton

The joint and several answer of Martha V Crampton and Sarah Ann Hamilton to the Bill of Complaint of Benjamin P. Crampton, against them and others in the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity, Exhibited —

These Respondents for answer to said Bill of Complaint, admit it to be true, that Benjamin Philpot died as stated in said Bill, leaving a last Will and Testament as therein mentioned, whereby amongst other things he devised certain legacies to these Respondents, to be paid out of the proceeds of the personal and real Estate of which he was seized in Common with the Complainant, and that there are no means by which said real Estate can be sold, other than by a Decree of your Honorable Court, and they admit that there is still due to the Trustees from whom said real Estate was purchased, a part of the purchase money, and that there has been no Conveyance of the legal title by said Trustees to the said Testator or to the Complainant or either of them, and that these Respondents are the only sisters and next of kin, and heirs at Law of the said Benjamin Philpot, and that a sale of said Real Estate is necessary for the payment of said legacies — And they admit all other facts stated and contained in said Bill of Complaint, and not herein particularly answered unto, and consent that a decree may pass as prayed by said Bill of Complaint. —

John Ritchie
Solicitor for Respondents

Martha V. Crampton
Sarah A. Hamilton

We hereby authorize John Ritchie Esq, to appear as Solicitor for us, to the Cause mentioned in the aforegoing Answer, and to sign such agreements, and do such acts as he may deem advisable to effect a sale of the said Land and Premises. —

Martha V Crampton
Sarah A Hamilton

Filed March 2nd 1869 —

Answer of Oscar P Crampton and Thos A Crampton

The joint and several Answer of Oscar P. Crampton and Thomas A Crampton, to the Bill of Complaint of Benjamin P Crampton against