ties as you may direct, at least thirty days previous to your proceeding to execute this commission. And you, or a majority of you, are appointed commissioners to proceed in the premises, according to the directions of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at December Session, 1820, chap. 191, entitled, "An Act to reduce into one system the laws to Direct Descents." And you, or a majority of you, having made partition or allotment in manner aforesaid, shall make return of your proceedings to our Court of Chancery without delay. Witness the Honorable Theodorick Bland, Esquire, Chancellor, this 18th day of April, 1825. "Test—Ramsey Waters, Rea. Cur. Can."

COMMISSIONERS' OATH.

Be it remembered, that on this —— day of —— personally appeared Joseph Townshend, &c. before the subscriber, one of the justices of the peace in and for Baltimore County, and made oath, [or affirmation,] that they would well and faithfully perform the duties required of them by the annexed commission, and all duties assigned them under the Act of Assembly therein referred to; and that they would proceed in the execution and completion of the said commission without favor, partiality, or prejudice, and according to the best of their judgment and understanding.

The commissioners made a return of their proceedings and the partition which they had made in pursuance of this commission; and an agreement in writing, signed by each one of the heirs, praying that the return might be ratified and a final decree passed, having been filed, the case was submitted accordingly.

BLAND, C., 27th July, 1825.—This case standing ready for hearing, and having been submitted, the proceedings were read and considered.

Whereupon it is decreed, with the assent of the parties in writing filed, that the return of the commissioners and the * partition by them made be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed.

And it is further decreed, with the assent aforesaid, that Louisa Armistead shall hold in severalty, and not jointly with the said heirs of the said Christopher Hughes, deceased, all those lots of ground which are contained in the grand division letter A, as described by the commissioners in their said return, and which is composed of the following lots, to wit: &c., &c., &c.

The costs of the suit to be borne by the heirs in equal parts.