

ance could be made for the maintenance of the complainant Harriet; nor, as the proceedings stand, can he direct any alteration as to the repairs, or the maintenance of the young negroes. And, with respect to the settlement of the guardian's account by the Orphans' Court, he is under the impression, that the balance of £288 12s. 7d. supposing it not altered materially by the succeeding years, would give a value in negroes, estimated according to the appraisement, much greater than the one reported by account No. 4.

Decreed, that, on the complainant's tendering, or offering, on condition of an immediate compliance with this decree, to deliver to the defendant the possession of the nine and three-quarters acres of land, and the negro girl, mentioned in the proceedings, as part of the consideration from the defendant, on account of which the receipt, or release exhibit No. 6, was given, the defendant Lyde Griffith, do forthwith pay to the complainants, or bring into this Court, the sum of two hundred and thirty-five dollars eighty-three cents, with interest thereon from the 19th day of December, 1813, till paid or brought in; and do also forthwith pay over and deliver to the said complainants the following negro slaves named and described in account No. 4; being one-half of the personal estate in kind, to wit, one negro lad named Ben; one negro lad named Joseph; one negro lad named Roderick; one negro woman named Lucy; and one negro girl named Henny—the Chancellor having made the division or distribution in the manner stated by the auditor; because no cause has been shewn to the contrary, notwithstanding the service of the order of the 18th of January, on the defendant.

* It is further decreed, that the defendant Lyde Griffith, pay to the complainants their costs, amounting, as taxed by the register, to \$224. **14**

The defendant appealed, and the Court of Appeals, at June Term, 1816, affirmed the decree.

After which the plaintiffs, by their petition, stated that although they had given the defendant notice thereof, he had not complied therewith. Whereupon they prayed process to enforce obedience, 1785, ch. 72, s. 25, repealed by 1818, ch. 193, s. 4, upon which it was, on the 26th of June, 1816, ordered that an attachment issue as prayed; and it was issued accordingly.

The defendant, on being taken into custody and brought before the Court, put in his answer on oath, in which he admits, that he had been served with a copy of the affirmed decree as set forth; but he states, that it was agreed that they should have a meeting, at another time and place, when the terms of the decree should be complied with on both sides; and the plaintiffs then admitted, that they had in their possession property to which the defendant was