

of that County, to inquire into the lunacy of the party, and by an inquisition taken on the 5th of December then ensuing, the jury found her to be a lunatic, not enjoying lucid intervals, and that she is not sufficient for the government of herself or her property, and that she has been in the same state from the month of April, 1849; but by what means she became a lunatic, the jurors say they do not know, unless by the visitation of God.

Subsequently, to wit, on the 16th of December, 1850, Elisha Warford and others, being of the next of kin, and heirs-at-law of the lunatic, filed their petition in the cause, in which, while they admit that Rachel Colvin is now of unsound mind, they insist that her mental infirmity goes back to an earlier period than that found by the jury, and object to the inquisition on that account; and they likewise object to the appointment of Richard C. Warford, and his sister Rachel J. Warford, either jointly or severally, as the committee of the estate or person of the lunatic, and pray that one Benjamin H. Ellicott may be appointed committee of the estate, and that he and his wife, Mary Ann Ellicott, may be appointed committee of her person.

After the proceedings had been transferred to this Court, upon the suggestion of Elisha Warford, and those who are associated with him, a petition was filed by Ann Sharp and Thompson Pegg and wife, the said Sharp and Mrs. Pegg being also of the next of kin, and presumptive heirs-at-law of the lunatic, in which, for the reasons stated in their petition, they object to the appointment of any of the persons previously recommended, to take charge of the estate, and urge the appointment of St. George W. Teakle, Esquire, as a person peculiarly qualified, from his long and intimate acquaintance with the lunatic and her estate, to discharge the duties of committee.

By an agreement filed on the 9th of this month, the objections to the confirmation of the inquisition are withdrawn, and it is agreed that it shall be confirmed upon certain terms, and