James Fooks
From
Chas N Hammersley &
Wm N. Hammersley

Be it remembered, and it is hereby certified that the following Bill of Sale was received and recorded on the Fifteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty six, Tow't:

Know all men by these presents that we Charles M. Hammersley and William N. Hammersley of Dorchester county in the State of Maryland for and in consideration of the sum of Thirteen hundred and six dollars and forty four cents current money to us in hand paid by James Fooks of the said county and State at and before the sealing and delivering of these presents the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge, have granted bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the said James Fooks his Executors administrators and assigns, all the groceries, dry goods, hardware, boots and shoes, hats and caps, together with all and singular the goods, chattels wares and merchandise, and effects, now remaining and being in a certain Store house heretofore occupied by us, situate in the village of Church Creek in the county aforesaid and now in the occupation of the said James Fooks – To Have and To Hold, all and singular the groceries dry goods, hardware, boots and shoes, hats and caps, goods, ... chattels, wares merchandises, and effects and all other the premises unto the said James Fooks his Executors, administrators and assigns forever; and we the said Charles M. Hammersley and William N. Hammersley for ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators all and singular the said groceries, dry goods, hardware, boots and shoes, hats and caps, goods, chattels, wares merchandizes and effects, and all other the premises unto the said James Fooks his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns against us the said Charles M. Hammersley and William N. Hammersley our administrators, executors and assigns and against all and every other person or persons whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents In Testimony whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals this Seventh day of April 1856

Chas. M. Hammersley (Seal)
Wm N. Hammersley (Seal)

Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
J W Lecompte J.P.

State of Maryland Dorchester County, tow't: Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that on this 15th day of April 1856, before the Subscriber, one of the Justices of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for the county and State aforesaid personally appears Charles M. Hammersley and William N. Hammersley they being known to me to be the persons who are named and described as, and professing to be parties grantors to the foregoing deed or indenture and do acknowledge the said indenture or instrument of writing to be their act and deed. And at the same time and place also appeared James Fooks the grantee in the said indenture or bill of Sale named, and made oath that the consideration set forth in the said bill of sale is true and bona fide as therein set forth – In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name on the day and year aforesaid

J W Lecompte J.P.