

We the Subscribers do certify that the foregoing is a true and just Inventory and valuation of the Real Estate of the said Jacob Knotts deceased so far as the same hath come to our sight and knowledge and as valued and appraised by us in dollars and cents, according to the best of our skill and judgment amounting to,

In testimony whereof we hereby subscribe our names and affix our seals this 8th day of April A. D. 1873

F. Baker <sup>Appraiser</sup>  
John Hadaway <sup>Seal</sup>

To the Hon. Orphan's Court for Kent County

Your petitioner represents that a certain Orlando F. Sutton late of Kent County, Maryland died, or, or about the 26th day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty nine, intestate, leaving Francis Sutton his widow and four children, Mary E. Brice wife of R. A. Brice George W. Sutton, David S. Sutton and James Walter, Sutton all of whom are minors, except Mary E. Brice that your petitioner George W. Sutton has arrived at the age of twenty one years, and David S. Sutton and James Walter Sutton are still minors, all of whom now reside in Kent County and State of Maryland In addition to his personal Estate which has been fully administered, by the said R. A. Brice, as will appear on record in the Register's Office, he died seized of certain real estate worth about two thousand Dollars, the same being situated in the Village of Galena in Kent County and State of Maryland that your petitioner is desirous to have his portion of the inheritance, but to make a partition of the same sitting off each one's share in real estate would be to the injury of the value of the whole Estate, and the Estate cannot be divided without prejudice to the interest of all, especially the said minors that the property is depreciating in value and need repairs and must ultimately be sacrificed unless sold soon that the minors portion is sold and invested in some