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absolutely deny that they ever heard the Testator  
say that if he ever made any will in favour of  
any other Person but the Libellant it would be  
in times of his distraction or that if any Testator  
of his appeared the Will in favour of the Libellant  
should be his last Will and that it ought so to be  
deemed as in the Libel is truly set forth and these  
Respondents further say that they have heard that  
the Testator Negroes in his lifetime refused to work  
for him unless he would Promise to Manumit them  
at the Time of his Death but these Respondents do not  
know it to be True these Respondents further say  
that he said John Gibbon about the Twenty sixth  
Day of August in the Year of our Lord One thousand  
Seven hundred & forty seven did make such Will as  
in the Libel is set forth which said Will is Remaining  
amongst the Records of this honourable Court to which  
for greater certainty they refer and these Respondents  
Admit that they proved the said Will on the Twenty  
second Day of October in the Year seven hundred  
& forty seven which was soon after the Death of their  
Testator but they gave the Libellant timely Notice  
of their Intention to Prove the Will so that she might  
have procured a caveat to be entered against it if she  
had a mind to have done it and these Respondents say  
that if the Libellant had told them that she intended to  
have objected to the Probate of the Will they would