in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Jeremiah Townley Chase (Seal)

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The Defendant upon the Evidence so offered to the Jury as stated in the said bills of Exceptions prays the Court to direct the Jury that by the will of said John Dorsey the Elder, of his Patuxent plantation was on the East side of the river, his Grandson John Dorsey could not take any land on the West side of Patuxent river. Also that if they believe that at the time of the deeds executed by Deborah Dorsey and by Henry Woodward Dorsey to Richard Ridgely the Grantors and the said Grantee were out of possession of the land on the West side of the river and that the same was at that time in the adverse possession of the Defendant or those under whom she claims nothing passed by those deeds, and that the legal title of the said land for which the Ejectment is brought yet remains in Dennis Dorsey.

The Court are of opinion that the whole of the land called Dorsey's Search passed by the will of John Dorsey to his Grandson John Dorsey as well that part lying on the West side of Patuxent river as that lying on the East side of said river.

The Court are also of opinion that if the Jury find that Deborah Dorsey and Henry Woodward Dorsey the Grantors in the deed to Richard Ridgely were in the possession of part of the land of Dorsey's Search that possession will extend to the whole and any part of said land and that the said deed will operate to transfer the whole of said land to Richard Ridgely unless the Jury shall find an adverse uninterrupted and exclusive possession by persons of part of said land by the Defendant and those under whom she claims twenty years prior to the making and executing said deed and in case the Jury shall find that the Defendant and those under whom she claims had such adverse possession for twenty years the said part will not pass by such deed to the said Richard Ridgely.

To which opinions of the Court the Defendant by her Counsel prays leave to except and that the Court would sign and seal this bill of Exceptions according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and which is accordingly done this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

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And thereupon the said Sally H Hammond by her Attorney aforesaid prays that she may appeal from the judgment aforesaid of the Court here so as aforesaid pronounced to the Court of Appeals for the Western Shore and taken it is granted: And thereupon the said John Dorsey Lessee aforesaid and the said Sally H Hammond by their Attorney aforesaid entered into the following agreement (viz.)

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It is agreed between the parties, that if practicable, and with the Consent of the Court of Appeals this case should be taken up in their next Session and entered by the Court should be of opinion with the Plaintiff case should affirm the judgment that may be given for him in this case that then an amicable Suit should be docketted from (and to the present between the same parties Plaintiff and Defendant in which all the proceedings in this cause shall be substituted and used for the sole purpose of trying the Defendants defence to and the present title for the possessions as more located and described in that defence and that Evidence in this cause so far as respects the said possessions located as aforesaid shall be stayed until the determination of the amicable Suit.

J. H. Bowie Ys Def.

Thos B Dorsey for Plff.

Thereupon it is ordered by the Court here that a record of the proceedings aforesaid with all things thereunto relating be transmitted to the Court of Appeals of the State of Maryland to be held for the Western Shore at the City of Annapolis on the second Monday in June next.

Test Wm S Green Clerk.

Anne Arundel County to wit

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