consideration mentioned in the said Deed.

Witness, Robt. Hollon — William M. Bowling

State of Maryland, Saint Mary's County, Sct. On this thirteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two, personally appears William M. Bowling of Saint Mary's County aforesaid, being the party grantor in this named before us the subscribers two of the Justices of the peace of the state of Maryland, for Saint Mary's County aforesaid, and acknowledges the within Deed or instrument of writing to be his act and deed and the land and premises therein mentioned and thereby bargained and sold, to be the right and estate of the within named Edward Thomas, party grantee also therein named, his heirs and assigns forever, according to the purport true intent and meaning of the said Deed or instrument of writing, and the act of Assembly in such case made and provided

Taken and certified the day and year above written

Robt Hollon, Geo. Combs.

Recorded the 15th day of November, 1822.

Saint Mary's County to wit I hereby certify that the aforegoing is truly taken from Liber JH. No 6 folios 347 & 348, one of the Land records of Saint Mary's County.

Seal

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office this 15th day of August, 1828. — Jo. Harris clk St Mary's County Ct.

Exhibit D.

Know all men by these presents, that I, William M. Bowling, of Saint Mary's County, in the State of Maryland, for and in consideration of the sum of fifteen hundred dollars current money of the United States to me in hand paid by the said Edward Thomas of the County and State aforesaid, at and before the sealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant, bargain and sell, unto the said Edward Thomas, his heirs, executors administrators and assigns, the following property to wit, one negro woman Jinny, aged about fifty years, one negro woman called Silvey aged about thirty seven years, one other negro woman called Philis, aged about twenty one, one negro boy called Phill, aged about eleven years, one other negro boy called Guard aged about seven years, one negro girl called Juliana, aged about three years, one negro child called Catharine, aged about two years, one other negro girl called Jane Maria aged about eight years, one other negro child called Phillipsa aged about two years, being the property which the said Kendall G. Heseldine conveyed and made over to me by a bill of sale dated on or about the ninth day of August in the present year, eighteen hundred and twenty two, and recorded same day in Liber JH. No 6 folios 294 & 295, one of the Land records of Saint Mary's County aforesaid, reference thereto being had will at large and more fully appear; also all the house hold and kitchen furniture, plantation utensils, stock of every kind, and beds and bedding, together with all the crops growing, the provisions on hand and all and every other species and kind of property as mentioned in the said bill of sale, or Instrument of writing, of what soever nature or kind, as by reference to the said Bill sale or instrument of writing being had will at large and more fully appear; all which property is now in the possession of the said Kendall G. Heseldine, To Have and to Hold the same described property above bargained and sold to the said Edward Thomas, his Executors administrators and assigns forever, to his and their only proper use and benefit, And I the said William M. Bowling, for myself, my executors and administrators shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents, to the said Edward Thomas, his executors and administrators and assigns, shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents to the said Edward Thomas his executors, administrators and assigns, the said described property against me, my executors and administrators, and against all and every other person or persons whomsoever, claiming the same or any part thereof. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this thirteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand

Eight hundred and twenty two

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of — Geo Combs — William M. Bowling (Seal)

Saint Mary's County Sct. on this thirteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two, before me the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace of the State of Maryland, for Saint Mary's County, aforesaid, appears William M. Bowling of the County aforesaid, and acknowledges the foregoing Instrument of writing to be his act and deed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and the act of Assembly in such case made and provided. Acknowledged before and certified by. Geo Combs

Recorded the 15th day of November 1822.

True copy from Libr. JH. No 6, folios 348 & 350, one of the Land Records of Saint Mary's County.

Jo Harris Clk. St Mry's Co. Md. August 15th 1828

Whereupon Subpoena accordingly issued directed to the said Clarissa Thomas, Ann Thomas, William M. Bowling and Francis Knott, and returnable to the next term.

At which next Term to wit, the first Monday of November being the third day of the same month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three, the Sheriff of Saint Mary's County makes no return to the Court here of the said Subpoena, no hath he done any thing therein. Whereupon subpoena again issued, directed to the said Clarissa Thomas, Ann Thomas, William M. Bowling and Francis Knott, and returnable to the next Term.

At which next term, to wit the first Monday of March being the first day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, the Sheriff of Saint Mary's County made return of the subpoena against the said Clarissa Thomas, Ann Thomas, William M. Bowling and Francis Knott, thus endorsed to wit. "Summoned Wm. W. Non summoned others" Wm Williams Shff.

And at the same Term came into Court the said Clarissa Thomas and Ann Thomas, by Gerard N. Causin, their Solicitor, and William M. Bowling and Francis Knott, by Clement Dorsey their Solicitor, and appeared to the said bill of Complaint; and the said cause standing continued until August Term Eighteen hundred and twenty four, the said Clarissa Thomas by her said Solicitor, filed in Court her answer in the words following to wit.

The Answer of Clarissa Thomas to the bill of Complaint of Kendall G. Heseldine, and Maria Heseldine his wife — This Defendant saving and reserving to herself now and at all times hereafter, all manner of benefit and advantage of exception to the many errors and insufficiencies in the said Complainant's bill contained, for answer thereunto, or to such parts thereof as this Defendant is advised it is material for her to answer unto, answers and says — This Defendant believes the bills of sale, and the Deeds mentioned in the said Complainant's bill of Complaint, and marked exhibits A. B. C. D. were acknowledged and executed, as set forth by the said Complainant in his bill of Complaint, and for the purposes stated by the said Complainant in his said bill. This Defendant further answering saith, that so far as she can ascertain the whole amount of money received by her late husband Edward Thomas, deceased, and herself administratrix of said Thomas, on account of the aforesaid bill of sale and Deed from William Washington Bowling to him the said Edward Thomas, is one thousand and thirty seven Dollars and fifty cents from Francis Knott, on the fourth of February Eighteen hundred and twenty three, for the tract of Land sold by the said Edward Thomas to the said Francis Knott, and mentioned in the said Deed filed by the said Complainant as part of his Bill of Complaint and marked exhibit C; that the amount of notes in her possession as administratrix of said Edward Thomas, three thousand one hundred and twelve dollars and fifty cents, with Interest from the fourth of February, Eighteen hundred and twenty three, that is to say two notes from the said Knott to the said Thomas, for fifteen hundred and fifty six dollars and twenty five cents each, dated fourth of February, Eighteen hundred and twenty three, one payable eighteen months after date, with Interest from date. And this Defendant further says that she has and do executed by James Truest to the said Edward Thomas for two hundred and sixty eight Dollars and twenty five cents, dated sixth of March Eighteen hundred and twenty three with Interest from date, which she believes and states to have been given for a