Hawkins to be worth 12000 $, estimating the number - acres at one thousand, that that he thinks it probable the tract of land called Hog Range adjoins the tract of land called Hawkins Smith Ford; That Saturdays work is disconnected with the other lands, which he supposes to contain from 95 to one hundred acres and worth from ten to twelve dollars pr acre - that he has been frequently at the dwelling house of Hughs Cox and that he does not believe Hog Range can be seen therefrom; perhaps some tops of trees growing thereon may be in sight of said Cox's dwelling, nor does he believe that the tract of land called The Brothers can be seen, from the dwelling of said Cox, that the whole lands are distinguished by lines, and might have been sold in parcels: that Saturdays work is a seperate tenement and rented out, that John Keeches land lies between Saturdays work and the main body of the land; that he does not believe that Saturdays work can be seen from the dwelling of the said Hughs Cox.

Test John Barnes Clk of
Chs. Charles County Court.

Jany 29th 1833.

William Hendley Smoot a witness produced on the part of the purchasers being duly sworn in open Court deposeth and saith.

Question. Are you acquainted with the lands of which Henry S. Hawkins died seized and what is their value?

Answer. He is acquainted with the lands well, Deponent lived on an adjoining farm last year and since the sale at the request of the purchasers rode over the land for the purpose of valueing the same, & thinks if they were forced in the market for cash, the lands would be worth clear of incumbrances ten thousand dollars, and that is their full value. These lands consist of several parcels of land seperate and marked by lines and lie contiguous except Saturdays work which is detached, Saturdays work, deponent thinks is worth six or seven dollars per acre, Hog Range about six or seven dollars per acre; if deponent had the cash and had the ability to purchase he thinks 10,000 $ to be a fair valuation of the land, Doctor John S. Hawkins informed Deponent that his reversionary interest in the lands sold; and which he should get at the death of Mrs Smith Hawkins, three hundred acres.

Test John Barnes Clk of
Chs. Charles County Court.

Jany 29. 1833.

William Morriss a witness produced on the part of the purchasers being duly sworn in open Court deposeth and saith.

Question. Are you acquainted with the lands of which Henry S. Hawkins died seized and what is their value?

Answer. He is well acquainted with the lands and has been for many years; at the request of the purchasers he rode over the lands for the purpose of valueing the same, and thinks them worth 10000 $ Saturdays work is detached from the main body, he believes to be worth six or seven dollars per acre.

Test John Barnes Clk of
Charles County Court.

Jany 29th 1833.

Robert Diggs; a witness produced on the part of the purchasers being duly sworn in open Court deposeth and saith;

Question. Was you spoken to by John B. Wills to attend the sale of these lands and bid for the lands for him, Wills?

Answer. He was spoken to by said Wills on Saturday previous to the sale

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and requested to attend for that purpose; the request was again repeated the next day. Deponent promised said Wills, he would attend and set off from deponents home on the day of sale, when it rained; it is probable he should not have gone further than Mrs Hamiltons, not thinking it very important, as Mr Wills could get some other persons to bid for him (Wills), the rain would not have prevented Deponent from attending, but deponent met some gentlemen going to his house, and he returned with them.

Test John Barnes Clk of
Chs. Charles County Court.

Thereupon on motion of the parties aforesaid, by their attornies aforesaid, it is ordered by the Court that either party may take testimony de bene esse, before John Matthews Esq. to be read in evidence upon giving the opposite parties five days notice of the time and place; and that the auditor state an account of the incumbrances by judgments or otherwise on said land, upon such testimony as either party may produce; and also an estimate of the number of acres from the title papers or other evidence that either party shall produce; and state an account between William B. Stone and Mrs Hawkins of the sums received and paid away as her agent, upon such testimony as either party may produce; and also an estimate shewing the solvency of the estate of H. Hawkins. The Court has received all the testimony tendered, without being compromitted as to the competency of the witnesses or relevency of the evidence, or the parties to this case, being docketed right, and leaving all questions arising to be decided upon the hearing. And it is agreed that the testimony taken shall apply to each case.

Thereupon further process of and upon the premises aforesaid; between the parties aforesaid, by consent of the said parties, and their attornies aforesaid and by order of the Court here thereon is further continued until the third monday in March next.

At which said mentioned third monday in March being the seventeenth day of the same month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, comes again into the County Court here as well the said John Matthews Guardian as aforesaid in his own proper person as the said Elizabeth E. B. Hawkins by Walter H. Smoot her guardian and next friend aforesaid by Vernon Dorsey, F. W. Brain, John W. Clausin & Gerard W. Clausin Esquires their attornies aforesaid.

And now comes here into Court in his own proper person John Hamilton of Charles County gentleman, and undertakes for the said Elizabeth E. B. Hawkins, by Walter H. Smoot her guardian and next friend, that she the said Elizabeth E. B. Hawkins by Walter Smoot her guardian & next friend shall pay unto the said John Matthews guardian as aforesaid all such costs and charges as shall be adjudged unto the said John Matthews guardian as aforesaid in the plea aforesaid, or that he the said John Hamilton will do the same for her. And the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid, file in Court here the following depositions to wit.

The following depositions were taken before the subscriber this twenty seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three in pursuance of an order of the Honorable the Judges of Charles County Court passed the 28th day of January 1833, first giving five days notice to each of the parties.

Lowaley Robey a witness produced on the part of the purchasers being duly

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