Question – Were you present at the sale of these lands?

Answer – He was.

Question What observations did you hear William B Stone make at said sale

Answer – William B Stone stated aloud, before the sale commenced and while it was a going on, it was an actual sale, and invited the persons present to bid. said Stone stated that for the accommodation of the purchaser, and that the land might sell for a fair price, part of the purchase money only, would be required at Christmas; the residue at March Court thereafter that Coy was near to said Stone as Deponent, when he said Stone made the statement, that if any person would go into the Clerks office, they might there inform themselves, that he, Stone had controul of the executions.

Question by Objectors, Did you recollect when the bidding was going on that John B Wills, remarked there were two widows dowers in the land

Answer – He does not think said John B Wills did make such remark his impression is, that said John B Wills stated there were two widows interests in the land soon after William B Stone bid of 1000$ for the land and before John A Mathews bid of two thousand dollars, he thinks, but is not certain –

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John L Hawkins, a witness produced on the part of the objectors being duly sworn in open Court deposeth & saith, that he knows the lands mentioned in the Vendition Exponas: well that Henry S Hawkins the former owner thereof was his brother, and that they were raised on the lands, that he knows the tract of land called Hawkins Smith Ford which he supposes to be about 12$ per acre. that he knows the tract of land called Smoots Venture which he supposes to be worth 12$ per acre that he beleives all the lands devised to his brother Henry S Hawkins by his Father Smith Hawkins to be worth 12,000$ estimating the number of acres at one thousand, 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 per acre that he has been frequently at the dwelling house of Hugh Coy, and he does not believe Hog Range can be seen therefrom, perhaps some tops of the trees growing thereon may be in sight of said Coy dwelling. nor does he believe that the tract of land called the Brother can be seen from the dwelling of said Coy, that the whole lands are distinguished by lines, and might have been sold in parcels that Saturday Work is a seperate tenement and seated out, that John Reech's 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 Hugh Coy –

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William Hendly Smoot, a witness produced on the part of the Purchasers

being duly sworn in open Court deposeth & 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 valuing the same, and thinks if they were forced in the market for cash, would be worth clear of encumbrances ten Thousand dollars, and that is their full value, these lands consists of several parcels of land, seperate and marked by lines, and lie contiguous except Saturdays Work which is detatched Saturdays Work, Deponent thinks is worth six or seven Dollars per acre Hog Range 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 L Hawkins informed Deponent that his reversionary interest in the lands sold, and which he should get at the death of Mr Smith Hawkins three Hundred acres –

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William Morris. a witness produced on the part of the purchasers being duly sworn in open Court deposeth & 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 valuing the same, and thinks them worth 10.000$ Saturdays Work is detatched from the main body, he thinks to be worth six or seven dollars per acre and Hog Range to be worth about seven dollars per acre

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Robert Digges 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 and requested to attend for that purpose, the request was again repeated the next day. Deponent promised said Wills he would attend, and sett off from Deponents home on the day of sale, when it rained, it is probable he should not have gone further than Mr Hamiltons not thinking it very important, as Mr Wills could get some other person 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

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Thereupon on Motion of the parties aforesaid by their attornies aforesaid it is ordered by the Court that either party make take testimony de bene esse before John Mathews Esqr 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