a purchase of about two hundred acres of land on the south side of the Liberty road it being all the land belonging to Mr Ridgely Deponent wished to purchase part of the tract but Mr Ridgely would not sell less than the whole, Deponent gave forty five dollars per acre for it it is all in one body and except about thirty acres all in wood, His land is on an average about a mile further from the City than Mr Dorseys both lying west of the City, Deponent considers it equally valuable with Mr Dorseys land, The soil perhaps is not so good but it is heavily timbered which makes up the difference, It is pebble land, There is a considerable quantity of stone fit for paving on the property which Deponent bought from Mr Ridgely which enhanced its value and was one of Deponents reasons for purchasing it — Cross examined by Walter Farnandis Junior Esquire — About thirty acres of this land purchased by Deponent from Mr Ridgely has been cultivated but is not now under cultivation and is inferior in quality to Mr Dorseys, There are no buildings or improvements on the property, Deponent thinks if the place purchased by him from Mr Ridgely were fairly brought into the market it would bring as much per acre as that to which these proceedings relate — His opinion of the value of Mr Dorseys place is formed from merely seeing it as he passes along the road on both sides of it which he frequently has done, He knows the capacity of the soil from its being of the same character as his own, The soil of Mr Dorseys place is pebble land which is the best in the vicinity of Baltimore Deponent has seen the dwelling house and other buildings from the road but cannot form any opinion of them, As a country residence Mr Dorseys place is one of the most beautiful situations in the neighbourhood of Baltimore — Deponent did not expect to have to give more for the property to which these proceedings relate than about forty dollars per acre — The persons present at the sale were the two Swans father and son, when the father came in he was accompanied by some one whom deponent does not know, He had a conversation with Mr Donaldson in which Mr Donaldson said that the property must be sold, Stephen T Thompson, John Patterson, J J Donaldson, Daniel B Banks and others, Deponent thinks that there were about thirty persons present in the rotunda of the Exchange there was a small number about the stand near the auctioneer who appeared to be taking an interest in the proceedings Deponent supposed that the bidding for the property was made until it had reached the bid of thirty seven dollars per acre, Deponent bid thirty six and the auctioneer bid thirty seven which deponent thought a bid of the auctioneer — Examination in chief resumed, There are many fine situations for country places commanding fine views of the water along the ridge on which Mr Dorseys land is from the Reisterstown road to the Frederick road Deponent has no doubt that he could find one on the land which he purchased from Mr Ridgely if he chose to cut down the wood, but not so fine, as he considers Mr Dorsey's one of the most desirable.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my seal this thirteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one

thousand eight hundred and forty seven — Alexander B Wolfe, Seal

Exceptants costs — Magistrates fees for taking depositions — $8.00
Sheriff fees summoning 16 witness — 6.24
$14.24

Costs of Reverdy Johnson Esq purchaser of the property —
Magistrates fees for taking depositions — $4.00

Rebecca Dorsey, Pl. Deed T. } This Indenture made this fifteenth day of February in the
Edward H Dorsey } year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four between Rebecca Dorsey of Baltimore County in the State of Maryland of the first part and Edward H Dorsey of the same County of the other part, Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of five dollars lawful money to the party hereto of the first part paid by the party of the second part to these presents at or before the sealing and delivery hereof the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged the said Rebecca Dorsey hath granted bargained and sold aliened enfeoffed and conveyed and by these presents doth grant bargain and sell alien enfeoff and convey unto the said Edward H Dorsey his heirs and assigns all and singular the lands and premises situate and lying in Baltimore County aforesaid which were conveyed by John H B Latrobe and Edward Kemp trustees to the said Rebecca Dorsey by Indenture bearing date the twenty first day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty and recorded among the land records of Baltimore County aforesaid in Liber J.K. No 298 folio 139 &c saving and excepting all that part thereof which was lately sold to Charles H M Blair and for the conveyance whereof he holds the bond of the said Rebecca Dorsey dated the twenty sixth day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty three and recorded among the land records of Baltimore County aforesaid in Liber J.K. No 333 folio 213 &c Together with the improvements and appurtenances and the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rents issues and profits thereof and all the estate and interest right title use trust equity of redemption claim and demand whatsoever of the said Rebecca Dorsey in into and out of the same To have and to hold the aforesaid lands and premises saving and excepting as aforesaid unto the said Edward H Dorsey his heirs and assigns to the proper use and behoof of the said Edward H Dorsey his heirs and assigns forever subject however to a mortgage of and for said lands and premises from the said Rebecca Dorsey to the Neptune Insurance Company dated the fifteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty three and recorded among the land records of Baltimore County aforesaid in Liber J.K. No 330 folio 230 &c securing the sum of eight thousand dollars and to the payment of said said sum and interest or so much thereof as remains owing and unpaid and the said Rebecca Dorsey for herself her heirs executors and administrators doth hereby covenant with the said Edward H Dorsey his heirs and assigns that the said Rebecca Dorsey and her heirs shall and will at any time or times hereafter at the request and proper cost and charge in the law of the said Edward H Dorsey his heirs or assigns do make execute acknowledge and deliver or cause and procure to be done made executed acknowledged and delivered such other and further act or acts deed or deeds as shall or may be reasonably advised or devised and required by the said Edward H Dorsey his heirs or assigns or his or their counsel learned in the law for the confirmation of these presents according to the purport true intent and