Gosnell, Henry W. Meier, Charles M. Daugherty, George F. Weld, Jacob W. Seaver, Jacob Albert, Thomas E. Hambleton, Robert E. Porter, Towner, Mills Chase, Samuel B. Smith, John Gaw, Jacob Emmans, Alexander F. Gaw, Edward A. Talbott, Ezra Seed, Henry Morris, Thomas T. Tasker, Westar Morris and A. Fredericks in the following words to wit:

To the Honorable John Johnson Chancellor of Maryland.

Humbly complaining shew unto your Honor your Orators Joseph White and Thomas White of the City of Baltimore partners in business by the name of Joseph White and Son as well on their own behalf of all other the creditors of the O'Kisko Company a body politic incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at December Session in the year of our Lord 1845 Chapter 221 who being entitled shall come in and contribute to the expenses of this proceeding. That your Orators in the year 1847 and 1848 did work for and sold and delivered divers castings and other things to the said O'Kisko Company and for the same on the 10th day of January A.D. 1849 recovered judgments in Baltimore County Court for the sum of $1023.97 with interest from the 1st day of January 1849 as will appear by a short copy of said Judgment under seal herewith filed marked Complainants — A and with all other their Exhibits prayed to be taken and considered as parts of this their Bill of Complaint.

That the said Company on the same 10th day of January A.D. 1849 confessed in the same County Court the five several judgments hereinafter mentioned that is to say one in favor of Thomas Smith and John Cullitt Jr. of the City of Baltimore, one in favor of Henry Morris, Thomas T. Tasker and Westar Morris (whom your Orators believe and charge to reside beyond the limits of this state) and in favor of Samuel H. Gosnell James L. B. Gosnell and Matthew T. Gosnell of the City of Baltimore and in favor of Henry W. Meier and Charles M. Daugherty of the said City and one in favor of George F. Weld and Jacob W. Seaver of said City and that upon each of said five last mentioned judgments writs of fieri facias were issued out of said Court to the Sheriff of the City of Baltimore and returned Nulla Bona and that on each of said Judgments since said returns of Nulla Bona alias writs of fieri facias have issued out of Baltimore County Court directed to the Sheriff of Howard District of Anne Arundel County who has under the same seized and taken in execution all the right and title of the O'Kisko Company in and to part of "Limestone Valley" and "Johns Beginning" and the Cotton Factory, Saw Mills, Dye House and other buildings erected thereon and has advertised the same for sale for cash on Wednesday the 27th June A.D. 1849 as will appear by a copy of his advertisement of sale herewith filed marked Complainants Exhibit B. That the said O'Kisko Company is a manufacturing Corporation and was until its failure and stoppage which took place in the Spring of 1848 engaged in the manufacture of Cotton Goods for which purpose it holds about 44 acres of Land with a factory and other necessary improvements thereon and a part of the water power of the Main Falls of the Patapsco River about 20 Miles from the City of Baltimore the title to which was originally vested in the Company in fee by a Deed from the Elysville Manufacturing Company of the 20th of August A.D. 1846 but is now enjoyed under a lease for

ninety nine years, renewable forever at the yearly rent of $800 executed to it by Jacob Albert who on or about the Fifth day of November A.D. 1846 conveyed the said O'Kisko Company the sum of Ten thousand Dollars and took its said title in fee to himself, and conveyed it in lieu thereof the said term for years. — That the said Land and water power with the improvements aforesaid are situate partly in Baltimore County and partly in Howard District of Anne Arundel County. That the Cotton Factory, Dwelling Houses, Saw Mill, Dye House and all the other Houses owned by the Company lie on the southermost side of the Main Falls of the Patapsco River as does also the southermost abutment of its Mill dam but that all the rest of said Mill dam and the northernmost abutment thereof and all the Water power of the said O'Kisko Company and all its part of the bed of the main faces of the Patapsco River lie in Baltimore County. That your Orators are advised that under the said last mentioned five writs of fieri facias so as aforesaid directed to and levied by the Sheriff of Howard District aforesaid the said Sheriff hath no power to seize and take in execution such of the Water power and other property of the said O'Kisko Company as lies outside of his bailiwick and in Baltimore County. That your Orators on the 17th June 1849 sued a fieri facias on their Judgment aforesaid and delivered the same to the Sheriff of Baltimore County and have directed him to seize and take under said writ all the Land Water power and other property of the said O'Kisko Company lying in Baltimore County the same having been bound as leasehold as aforesaid by the delivery of their aforesaid execution to him. Further complaining shew to your Honor your Orators that the said O'Kisko Company is heavily indebted and that there have been confessed by it in Baltimore County Court in favor of different parties nine several Judgments other than those hereinbefore mentioned and that several other Judgments to the number of at least ten against it have been confessed or recovered before sundry Justices of the Peace upon some of which latter judgments, executions have been sued and laid on part of the machinery in the Factory of the Company as will appear by a copy of the advertisement of sale on said executions herewith filed marked Complainants Exhibit C, and that a distress for rent in arrear hath been levied on the machinery or some part of it by Jacob Albert the Company's Lessor as hereinbefore mentioned and that the said Company hath altogether discontinued business for a year or two and hath stopped payments and failed and has no intention to resume business and is now practically dissolved except for the purpose of winding up and paying its debts and is without any means for the payment of its creditors except such as shall be derived from the sale of its aforesaid property and its machinery which it has recently advertised for sale by direction for the payment of its debts as appears by the annexed copy of its advertisement herewith filed marked Compl.ts Exhibit D. but that the said Company has declined proceeding with said sale on account of the state of the proceedings in the Chancery suit against it hereinafter mentioned and that the machinery in its factory is deteriorating by disuse and will deteriorate greatly and may be rendered comparatively valueless if it shall remain long unused or be disposed of by partial or forced sales. Further complaining shewith to your Honor your Orators that the Elysville Manufacturing Company claims a vendors lien upon the whole