following, to wit:

To the Honorable. Judges of Washington County Court sitting as a Court of Equity. The Bill of complaint of John W. Hollada of Berkley County, in the State of Virginia. humbly sheweth, that heretofore, to wit, in the year 1836, your Orator and a certain William Grove entered into an arrangement jointly to purchase of a certain Michael A. Finley. Extr of Saml. Lynch Senr. dec'd certain Real Estate, which is mentioned in a deed, a copy of which is herewith filed marked M. A. F. and together with all other exhibits, made a part of this Bill. That the said William Grove then residing in Washington County in the neighborhood of said Finley and near the property, the business and transactions relating to the purchase were confided to his care and management and the contracts were made with the said Grove, your Orator being understood to be jointly interested in the same. That the said Grove subsequently proving incapable and insufficient to advance his share of the purchase money, the same was all paid by your Orator, amounting to the sum of four thousand nine hundred and ninety nine dollars and some interest, on the 6th day of October 1846. the said Finley. Extr as aforesaid, and the said Grove and his wife executed and delivered to your Orator a deed in fee simple of all said property, being the same which is herewith filed marked M. A. F. as aforesaid. Your Orator further sheweth, that a certain Adam Shoop to whose use is entered a certain Judgt in Washington County Court against the said Grove at the suit of D. & A. Claggett for the sum of $260 with interest and costs, a certain Israel Knode who holds another Judgt in said Court against the said Grove for the sum of $435.89. with interest and costs, a certain John F. Dellinger who holds another judgment in said Court against the said Grove for the sum of $153.46 with interest and costs, and a certain Martin Eusminger who holds another judgment against said Grove in said Court for the sum of $9.53 costs, and also a Judgment recorded against said Grove on the record of Magistrate's Judgment for the sum of $64. with interest and costs. have caused executions by fieri facias to issue against the goods and chattels lands and tenements of the said Grove upon the said recited Judgments directed to Thomas Martin Sheriff of Washington County. (a copy of said judgments is herewith filed marked F. M.) and have also procured the said Sheriff to levy the same upon the Lands purchased by and conveyed to your Orator as aforesaid. And your Orator shows that said Sheriff has advertised his said lands to be sold at public sale in Hagerstown on the 7th day of September 1847, for the satisfaction of said fi fas (a copy of the advertisement is herewith filed appended to Exhibit F. M.) That there is no ground or just pretext for said sale, the said Grove never having paid any thing upon said land, or obtained any title, and the purchase money having been paid by your Orator, who holds the legal title to the same under the conveyance aforesaid. That the proceedings is vexatious to your Orator, and if a sale of this property should be made under said executions it will throw an unjust cloud and suspicion over his title which will materially depreciate the value of his Land and perhaps subject him to harassing

litigations. That the purchaser, who would probably be at a mere nominal price would derive no advantage from this purchase, but might make it the instrument of great annoyance to your Orator by keeping his claim suspended over the land, without taking any steps to effectuate his claim, that the interest and right of your Orator requires that his title should be ascertained and settled, and that it should be relieved from the unjust proceedings aforesaid. On Tender consideration whereof and forasmuch as your Orator can have no relief without the aid of this Honorable Court. To the end therefore that the said Adam Shoop. Israel Knode. John F. Dellinger Martin Eusminger and Thomas Martin may answer the several matters and things hereinbefore stated, as fully and particularly as if they were herein again repeated and they thereunto specially interrogated, that the said defendants may by Injunction be restrained from selling your Orators said property under the said executions, and your Orator's title decreed to be good and quieted against the unjust claims aforesaid, and that your Orator may have such other relief as the nature of his case may require. May it please your Honors to grant to your Orator a writ of subpoena directed to said Adam Shoop. Israel Knode John F. Dellinger, Martin Eusminger and Thomas Martin, commanding them or a certain day, to be and appear in this Court to answer the premises and to stand and abide and perform such decree as may be passed therein: and may it please your Honors also to grant to your Orator a writ of Injunction against the said defendants enjoining and prohibiting them from selling the said property under said fi fas or from holding their levies upon the same. And your Orator will ever pray &c.

Servis Spencer Solr for Compt.

State of Maryland Washington County ss.

On this 3d day of September 1847 personally appears William Grove before the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for said County and made oath in due form of law that the facts stated in the foregoing Bill are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sworn before. William H. Handley

The Exhibits "M. A. F." "F. M." and the Sheriffs advertisement mentioned and referred to in the foregoing Bill. here follow. to wit:

"Stamp." This Indenture made this 6th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six by and between Michael A. Finley of Washington County. Extr of Saml. Lynch Sr dec'd as hereinafter mentioned of the 1st part. William Grove and Willimina Grove his wife of the same place of the second part and John W. Hollada of Berkley County in the State of Virginia of the third part. Whereas by the last will and Testament of the said Samuel Lynch. Sen. dec'd now of record in the Office of the Register of Wills of Washington County. the said Michael A. Finley was appointed Executor of said will and was duly authorized and empowered to sell and convey the Real Estate of the said deceased hereinafter mentioned. And in the month of April in the year 1836. the said William Grove and John W. Hollada agreed and undertook