the said Asa Clagett as your Complainant answered for a valuable consideration of the said Lewis the said John Chandler had sold (as he alleges in his Bill) and to Wm of Fairfax County of Montgomery County Comb and to the then Sheriff should which respondents believe was levied upon the Lands mentioned in the deed from Daniel H Chandler to Gideon W Chandler and Martha Fisher Bond which is the same land conveyed by your respondent William H L Fisher to said Asa Clagett Further as aforesaid Your Respondents positively deny that any part of the purchase Money of said land ever comming into their hands, and they believe and never saw nor to Asa Clagett Testator as aforesaid in his life time although D H Chandler repeatedly the sale as being borrowed for their Father and family dollars coming many Your Respondents positively deny that any interest other than the life estate of William H L Fisher could have been sold by D H Chandler the then Sheriff under and by virtue of said Writ of Vendi Exponas had the same been fraudulently issued which your Respondents deny. Your Respondent admit that they executed the deed of the fourteenth day of March 1845 in favor of the Complainant and filed by him as Exhibit C. Your Respondent Eleanor E Fisher then belonging thus she had a legal right to convey her interest in said land the same being only the life estate. The consideration being only fifty dollars for one Hundred acres of land heavily timbered well watered and in a healthy section of the County. Your Respondent charge that advantage was taken by the Complainant for only paying fifty dollars instead of fifty dollars the consideration mentioned in the deed. Your Respondents aver that all the time the said deed was executed your Respondent William H L Fisher was laboring under a bed of sickness and in great need of the necessities of life that the Complainant induced them to believe that he had the fee simple in the property and induced your Respondent Eleanor E Fisher fifty dollars for her dower right and after much importunity your Respondent did execute the said deed which the said Complainant have purchased. Your Respondents deny as fraud either by words John Chandler the Complainant or any of the other Creditors of your Respondent William H L Fisher by the conveyance to the said Asa Clagett they on the contrary have reason to believe that all judgments and other claims are paid by Asa Clagett Testator as aforesaid and that the said deed was filed among the Land Records for Montgomery County prior to the sale made by D H Chandler Sheriff to the Complainant. Your Respondent deny that they or either of them had any power to convey the said property in fee

without the consent of Asa Clagett the testator. And above answered they were ready and willing for by the Complainant and the Respondent and that the said Complainant has been in the enjoyment of said real Estate since March 1845 and has received the profits thereof which now far double compensate him for the money he gave for the same or advanced after the payment of John Chandler's payment. Your Respondents oppose the selling and the conveyance to Asa Clagett first and that a trust may be appointed in the stead of Asa Clagett deceased. Your Respondents against the death of Asa Clagett their children and their husbands are entirely destitute as also their own except Aquila W Fisher, and has been from since the filing of Complainants Bill. Your Respondents have answered all the material allegations in Complainants Bill praying hence to be dismissed with their reasonable costs and they are ever praying &c

W Brewer Solr for
W H Fisher and Eleanor E Fisher

State of Maryland Montgomery County set

On this 24 day of December in the year 1853 before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County personally appeared the above named William H L Fisher and Eleanor E Fisher and made Oath that the matters stated in the foregoing answer are true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Before me J Offutt JP

Also afterwards to wit on the sixth day of May 1853 the said Complainant by his Solicitor appeared pro tem the following order viz

Lewis W Chandler
vs
Wm H Fisher and others } Mr Henning Nelson issued Commission to Geo W Dawson Esq to approve Guardian ad litem for infants answer in the above case and contemporaneous the Commission issued.

Robert J Beall.
R J Brown
Solr for Complainant

Thereupon said Commission issued as follows to wit

Maryland Montgomery County set

The State of Maryland To George W Dawson Esq of Montgomery County Greeting.

Whereas Lewis W Chandler lately exhibited his Bill of Complaint before the Circuit Court for Montgomery County sitting as a Court of Equity against William H L Fisher and Eleanor E. his wife and others of Montgomery County defendants. And whereas on hearing our said Court