time executed two mortgages of a part of said land to Wm. B. Bowie of said County one other of the Defendants hereinafter named, one of which mortgages was to secure the payment of the sum of ten thousand dollars on the first day of September one thousand eight hundred, and sixty seven, with interest from the first day of September eighteen hundred and sixty-two, and the other was to secure the payment of the sum of five thousand dollars on the 31st day of January 1868, with interest from the 31st day of January 1863, as by certified copies of said mortgages, herewith filed, marked Exhibits No. 6 and No. 7. will more fully appear.

Your Orators further show that the said John Contee in his life time confessed, a judgment, in the Circuit Court for Prince Georges County, in favour of B. L. Jackson, Wm B. Jackson, and Geo. I. Seufferle of Washington City in the District of Columbia, the other Defendants hereinafter named for $13.609 100, with, a stay of execution for five years from the 20th of April 1863 bearing interest &c., as will fully appear by a short copy of said judgt. herewith filed, marked Exhibit No. 8. Your Orators are advised that a more favourable sale might be made of the said land, provided the aforesaid widow Mary L. Contee, would consent to receive a part of the purchase money in lieu of her dower in said lands, and provided also the said Defendants Wm B. Bowie, and Wm B. Jackson, B. L. Jackson, and Geo. I. Seufferle would consent to receive payment of their said mortgages, and judgment from the proceeds of the sale to be made by the Trustee of this Court.

Your Orators being remidiless in the premises except through the interposition of this Court, humbly pray that a decree may pass for the sale of lands hereinbefore mentioned, and described, of which, the said John Contee, died seized as aforesaid to pay the debts of your Orators, and for the payment of the other creditors of the said John Contee, who may hereafter come in, exhibit their claims and contribute to the costs of this proceedings, and that the said Defendants, hereinafter named, may answer the several matters, and things hereinbefore stated, as fully, and particularly, as if they were herein again repeated, and the said Defendants were thereto specially interogated; and that your Orators may have such further or other relief, as their case may require.

May it please your Honor to grant unto your Orators, an order of publication, giving notice to the said William B. Jackson, Benj. L. Jackson, and George I. Seufferle trading as Jackson, Brother & Co. who, are nonresidents, as before stated of the substance, and object of this bill, and warning them to appear in this Court in person or by Solicitor, on or before a certain, day, to answer the premises, and show-

cause if, any they have, why, a decree ought not to pass as prayed; and, also, a writ of subpoena, against the the said the said Mary L. Contee Administratrix, and widow of the said John Contee, Florence Brooke, and G. Blake Brooke, her husband, and Mary L. Contee, Eliza D. Contee and Sylvia D. Contee minors, and William B. Bowie, all of Prince Georges County State of Maryland, commanding them to appear in this Court by some certain day, to be therein named, to answer the premises and abide by, and perform such, decree, as may be passed therein, and, as in, duty &c. will ever pray.

Thomas G. Pratt.
Sol. for Complainants.

The following, are the Exhibits refered to in the foregoing Bill of Complaint, Viz: Exhibit No. 1. beining in the words following, to wit:

The State of Maryland, Prince Georges County, Sct:

The Subscriber, Register of Wills for Prince Georges County, doth hereby, certify, that it appears by the Records in his office, that Letters of Administration of all the goods, chattles, credits and personal estate of Dr. Benjamin Lee, deceased, were on the 7th. day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred, and sixty three, granted, and committed unto Eleanora L. Lee, and Wm. S. Bett who was then, and there, appointed Administrators of the said, deceased.

(Seal of the Orphans Court of Prince Georges County)

In Testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Orphans Court of said County, this 15th. day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred, and sixty four.

Test: Wm A. Sarboe,
Register of Wills for Prince Georges County.

Exhibit No. 2. being in the words following, to wit;

The State of Maryland, Prince Georges County, Sct.

The Subscriber, Register of Wills for Prince Georges County, doth hereby, certify, that it appears by the Records in his office, that Letters of Administration of all the, goods, chattles, credits, and personal estate of John Contee late of said County, deceased, were one the 21st, day of August in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred, and sixty three, granted, and committed unto Mary L. Contee who was then, and there, appointed Administratrix of the said, deceased.

(Seal of the Orphans Court of Prince Georges County)

In Testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the Orphans Court of said County this 15th, day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred, and sixty four.

Test: Wm A. Sarboe.
Register of Wills for Prince Georges County

Exhibit No. 3 being in the words following, to wit: