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Complainants Exhibit Commission No. 30.

City Taxes 1867 — Seg Mr. Price Collector

Franklin Hanway

To The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore — Dr.

3	134			Internal Imp.	7 cts per	$100		
18	141	L & S. 342 S.S. Fayette	3100	Police Department	29 cts per	$100		
				Certain Expenses	8 cts per	$100	43.	40
				Criminal Court	4 cts per	$100		
				Public Schools	18½ cts per	$100		
				City Poor	6 cts per	$100		
				Court House Sinking Fund	1 ct per	$100		
				Water Sinking Fund	3½ cents per	$100		
				Bounty and Defence Loan	3 cts per	$100		
				Miscellaneous Stock	5 cts per	$100		
					90 cts per	$100		
				City Direct	50 cts per	$100		
				Total	140 cts per	$100		
				Highways and Bridges	15 cts per	$100		

Received Payment for the Collector

Jany 15th. 1868 — Geo W. Walker

Complainants Exhibit Commission No. 31.

November 24th. 1864

William H. Dryden Esq

My Dear Sir.

Franklin Hanway died held when he did a deed for No. 342 West Fayette Street. It can be proved that he repeatedly said you could have the property for $2400 and you held a receipt from him dated July 5th /64 for $36 that being being at the rate of 6 per cent per annum on $2400 for 3 months rent on No. 342. You wish to know if Either a Court of Equity or the Orphans Court can order a Deed to be made to you on your paying $2400 with arrears of interest to the administratrix of F. Hanway deceased. I am of opinion that neither the Orphans Court nor a Court of

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Equity will order the Deed to be made.

The Statute of Frauds adopted by the Md. Code requires a contract for real Estate to be in writing the receipt referred to negatives the purchase by using the word rent and implies no obligation on your part to take the property at that sum or at any other sum.

The fact that you are in possession unaccompanied by any proof of a binding contract will not I think induce either Court to order a Deed. Mrs Hanway is anxious to carry out what she believes was the intention of her husband and will do any thing to further your wishes that she can legally do. I would suggest that you lay all the facts before your attorney and if he thinks the Court will order the Deed let him prepare a petition and send it to me to file in the Orphans Court or our Court of Equity as he deems best and I will file it and answer for Mrs Hanway

Yours Truly

Stevenson Archer

June 20th 1868 The above letter was in answer to one from Mr and Mrs Dryden asking if a Deed could not be made to them upon the payment of the sum of $2400 the receipts for rent quoted in the letter or a copy of the same having been furnished me by Dryden at my request as I was anxious as Mrs Hanways atty to carry out any legal contract in existence between Dryden & her late husband

S. Archer

William H. Dryden vs Susan Hanway — In the Circuit Court of Baltimore City

The Solicitor for Complainant offers this letter in evidence to prove that the Complainant as early as November 1864 made application to the Defendant Mrs Hanway to have the property herein mentioned conveyed to him, it is hereby agreed that the written letter was rewritten by Mr S. Archer on the day of its date and sent to Complainant and that Mr Archer was then Counsel for Mrs Hanway, and Complainant was