it down; the sale was conducted as fairly as any sale I ever conducted; I believe the attendance was about as usual in cases of sale of real estate at Court House; for the last year or so the value of land in this county has depreciated very much; I was the auctioneer who conducted the sale of the Griffee property in this county; if the purchaser, Mr. Barnes, owning adjoining land, had not wanted it, it would not have brought as much as it did.

Cross-Examination.

I think there were three bidders at the Griffee sale - virtually but two; the sale of the Condon property in the Court hall was on account of the inclemancy of the weather; sales are usually made at Court house door outside, and sometimes inside; of the 15 or 20 persons present at said sale there might have been 7 or 8, or more perhaps, outside of the Court house officials; Mr. Maynard was the only bidder at the sale, that is through me; I bid for him

I don't know of anything else at present.

John T. Diffenbaugh.

Test:- Jos. M. Parke,
Examiner.

The evidence was here closed on both sides.

Jos. M. Parke, (Seal.)
Examiner.

Agreement.

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Dennis H. Maynard, Assignee &c.; vs. David R. Condon, Defendant and Mortgagor.	No. 2704 Equity. In the Circuit Court for Carroll County.

It is admitted this 19th day of April, 1889, that the said David R. Condon, defendant and mortgagor, was in arrears with the taxes due on said mortgaged property for the years 1887 and 1888, as is shown by the two several tax bills marked respectively "No. 1 and 2," accompanying this agreement at the time of advertising and sale of the said mortgaged property by Dennis H. Maynard, assignee of mortgagee in this cause; and it is further admitted that said taxes are still due and owing thereon; it is further admitted that the said Dennis H. Maynard, assignee aforesaid, advertised said mortgaged property in the "Democratic Advocate" and "American Sentinel", two newspapers printed at the city of Westminster, Carroll County, Maryland, for more than twenty days pirior to the day of said sale, as shown by the printers' certificates of publications, filed in this cause, and marked "D.H." and the other marked "D.H. No. 1," and also by handbills extensively circulated throughout the neighborhood of said property and Carroll County aforesaid; it is agreed that this agreement may be used at the hearing of the exceptions as fully as if the same was reduced by the Examiner, and to all intents and purposes.