M'Kim were at those several times joint dealers together and partners in their said trade and commerce, and the said John M'Kim Junior, Edie M'Kim, Tench Ringgold, Charles Wayman, Uriah Forrest, and Randolph B Latimer and William Murdock being so residing and using commerce respectively, and the said John M'Kim and Edie M'Kim so being partners as aforesaid the said Tench Ringgold on the thirty first Day of December in the year one thousand Seven hundred and ninety nine at George Town, to wit, at Montgomery County aforesaid made his certain Bill of Exchange in writing according to the custom of Merchants from time immemorial used and approved of within the State of Maryland the said Bill bearing date the day and year aforesaid directed to the said William Murdock by the name of William Murdock Esq Merchant London and by the said Bill required the said William Murdock at sixty days after sight to pay that his first of Exchange, second, third and fourth of same tenor and date not paid to the said Charles Wayman by the name of Mr Charles Wayman or order the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds Sterling for value received, and place the same to account as advised by the said Tench Ringgold and then and there delivered the said Bill to the said Charles Wayman and the said Charles Wayman to whom or to whose order the payment of the said sum of money mentioned in the said Bill was to be made after the making of the said Bill and before the payment of the said sum of money mentioned in the said Bill or of any part thereof and also before the time appointed by the said Bill for the payment thereof to wit, on the day and year aforesaid at the County aforesaid indorsed the said Bill his own proper hand writing being thereto subscribed and by that indorsement the said Charles Wayman appointed the contents of the said Bill to be paid to the said Uriah Forrest or order and then and there delivered the said Bill so indorsed to the said Uriah Forrest and the said Uriah Forrest to whom or to whose order the payment of the money mentioned in the said Bill was by virtue of the said indorsement aforesaid to be made after the making of the said indorsement and before the payment of the said sum of money mentioned in the said Bill or of any part thereof and also before the time appointed by the Bill for the payment thereof to wit, on the day and year aforesaid at the County aforesaid indorsed the said bill his own proper hand writing being thereto subscribed and by that last mentioned indorsement the said

Uriah Forrest appointed the contents of the said bill to be paid to the said Randolph B. Latimer or order and then and there delivered the said bill so indorsed to the said Randolph B. Latimer, and the said Randolph B Latimer to whom or to whose order the payment of the money mentioned in the said bill was by virtue of the said last mentioned indorsement to be made after the making of the said indorsement and before the payment of the said sum of money mentioned in the said bill or of any part thereof and also before the time appointed by the said bill for the payment thereof to wit on the day and year aforesaid at the County aforesaid indorsed the said bill his own proper hand writing being thereto subscribed and by the said last mentioned indorsement the said Randolph B Latimer appointed the contents of the said bill to be paid to the said John M'Kim and Edie M'Kim and then and there delivered the said bill so indorsed to the said John M'Kim and Edie M'Kim which said bill of exchange so as aforesaid made subscribed and directed, with the said several indorsements so made thereon as aforesaid was by the order and for the use of the use of the said John M'Kim and Edie M'Kim afterwards to wit, on the sixteenth day of May in the year eighteen hundred at London aforesaid exhibited and shewn unto him the said William Murdock and the said William Murdock was then and there by order aforesaid according to the usage and custom of Merchants aforesaid requested to pay the said bill to the order and for the use aforesaid, But the said William Murdock then and there refused and always hitherto hath refused to pay the said bill or the contents thereof or any part thereof to the said order and for the use of the said John M'Kim and Edie M'Kim, nor have the said Tench Ringgold, Charles Wayman, Uriah Forrest and Randolph B. Latimer or any or either of them paid or caused to be paid the same or any part thereof to the said John M'Kim and Edie M'Kim; by reason whereof the said bill of exchange afterwards to wit, on the day and year last aforesaid at London aforesaid according to the usage and custom of Merchants the said William Murdock having before that time had sixty days sight thereof, to wit, from the fourteenth day of March in the year One thousand eight hundred and the second and third and fourth of same tenor and date being unpaid) was protested whereof the said Uriah Forrest afterwards to wit on the fifteenth day of July in the year eighteen hundred at the County aforesaid had notice; by reason whereof the said Uriah Forrest according to the usage and custom of Merchants aforesaid in that behalf time out of mind used and approved became liable for and chargeable to pay unto the said