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[illegible] in the year of our Lord one Tho-
[illegible] and twenty eight appeared before me
[illegible] Subscriber a Justice of the peace in & for the County
state aforesaid Captain George Wilkinson and makes oath
on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he resided
at the village of Hunting Town when the British troops burnt
the inspecting warehouse at that place, that he was about
when the Enemy came & during the time they were there, that he
knew the two negro girls of Elizabeth Gantt's named
Beth & Sarah that he left them at his house when he left
home that morning, and on his return the Enemy had depor-
ted [illegible] carried with them the aforesaid negro girls as
he was informed, together with some of his own –
and that he was farther informed the same evening
by Dr. Jno Dare who ~~has~~ is since deceased that he met
the Brittish [sic] on their return to the Patuxent River
who informed this deponent that he saw the above
named Beth & Sarah of Elizabeth Gantt's in the possessi-
on of the Brittish [sic] with several other negroes the property
of this deponent –

Sworn before
Tho. Mitchell

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State of Maryland Calvert County Sc.

On this 2nd day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty eight personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the State and County afore-said Dr. Thos. E. Gantt and makes oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he knew the two negro girls of Elizabeth Gantts named Beth and Sarah that they were raised in his family and that on the day the Brittish [sic] troops burned the inspection warehouse at Hunting Town he was informed that the said negro girls were carried off by the said Enemy & from all the information which he has been able to collect it has been confirm & that they disapeared [sic] on that day & have never been seen since – and that he verily believes to that effect –

Sworn before
Tho. Mitchell

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State of Maryland Calvert County Sc

On this second day of August in the year Eighteen hundred and twenty eight personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for the County and State aforesaid Thomas Bowen and makes oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighthy God that he knew Beth and Sarah the servant girls of Miss Elizabeth Gantt of Calvert County that on the day the British Troops went to the Village of Hunting Town and burned the tobacco Inspection House the two girls disappeared. that at that time he was the manager for Doctor Thomas Gantt with whom Miss Elizabeth Gantt lived that the said negro girls have never since been seen by him and that he has always understood and verily believes that they went off with the enemy when they left the Patuxent.

Sworn before
Tho. Mitchell

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On this second day of August in the year 1828 personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County Mrs. Eleanor W Bowen and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that she resided in Hunting Town in Calvert County in the year 1814 that some time in the course of that year a party of British soldiers came to Hunting Town and burned the Tobacco Inspection Ware House, that she at that time saw with them two servant Girls the property of Miss Elizabeth Gantt of the County aforesaid in their possession with several other negroes the property of Mr. George Wilkinson, that they left Hunting Town with the British troops since which she has ~~not~~ neither seen or heard of them and she verily believes they went on board the fleet

Sworn before
Tho. Mitchell

Calvert County Sc

I hereby certify that Thomas Mitchell Gentleman before whom the foregoing and annexed depositions were made & taken was at the time of so doing one of the State of Maryland's Justices of the peace in and for said County duly commissioned and sworn.

In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my name and affixed the seal of Calvert County Court this 2nd day of August Eighteen hundred and twenty eight

Wm. Morselle Clk of
Calvert County Court

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No. 865
Elizabeth Gantt's
claim.

August 5th 1828
for petition reheard
& allowed for one
slave "Sarah" taken
from Maryland at
\$280. Interest reserved

Motion for a rehearing

5th Augt. 1828.

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Gantt, Elizabeth – Calvert Co Md
Deposited by
Selden, Cary – 9 July 1823.

2 slaves - \$550

74

1 – 350

1 - 200

29th July 1828 allow'd for
one negroe (Beth) taken from
Maryland @ \$280 – Interest
reserved – no proof of taking
of Sarah, as to her Rejected

A list of negroes taken by the Brittish [sic] belonging to
Elizabeth Gantt in July 1814 –
Negro Girl Beth aged 16 years supposed to be
worth at that time -----\$350
Negro Girl named Sarah aged 10 years supposed
to be worth at that time -----\$200

Calvert County Sc. v
On this 12h day of August 1822 personally appeared
Thos W. Harris before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace
for the county aforesaid & made oath on the Holy Evangelist
of Almighty God that on or about the 16th day of July 1814
the Brittish [sic] under the command of Captain Nourse came to
Hunting Town & carried from there a mulattoe [sic] negro girl
named Beth the property of Elizabeth Gantt the said negro
girl appeared to this deponant [sic] to be compelled to go as this
deponant [sic] was about one hundred yards from them and
saw some of the Brittish [sic] fire into or near the door of
the house where the said negro was and as she went

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away she appeared to be compelled by the British [sic] troops to go – The said negro girl was in company with the negroes of Mr. Geo. Wilkinson that went away at the same time.
Sworn before
G. Wilkinson

Calvert County Sc
On this 28th day of April 1823 personally appeared George Wilkinson before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the county aforesaid and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within named mulattoe [sic] girl Beth the property of Elizabeth Gantt was worth

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at the time she was taken away by the Brittish [sic] Three
hundred & fifty dollars and the negro girl Sarah
was worth at the same time she was taken away
Two hundred dollars to the best of his knowledge
& belief
Sworn before Basil Simmons

State of Maryland
Calvert County Sc.

On this 28t Apl 1823 appeared Basil Simmons before
me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the county aforesaid
& made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that
the aforementioned mulattoe [sic] negro girl named Beth the property of
Elizabeth Gantt was worth at the time she was carried
off by the Brittish [sic] three hundred & fifty dollars money of
the United States –

Sworn before
G. Wilkinson

State of Maryland, Calvert County Sc

I hereby certify that William C. Dawkins
Peregrine Bowen, Basil Simmons and George Wilkinson Gentlemen
before whom the foregoing Depositions were made and taken and who
have thereto subscribed their names were at the time of so doing Justices
of the peace of the said State in and for Calvert County aforesaid duly
commissioned and sworn –

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed the Seal
of my Office this second day of May
in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred
and twenty three.

William S. Morselle Clk
Of Calv't County Court

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