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W.C. Dawkins of
Maryland –

D.A. Hall agt.

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May 21 – 1828 – allow'd
for 8 slaves taken from
Maryland @ 280 - \$2240
Int: reserved

1 April 1828
Allowed for five slaves
(Clem, Michael, John,
Sam & George) taken from
Maryland @ 280 \$1,400
Int remainder of claim reserved
Hannah & Sal on Halifax list
p: 67.68

Taking of all proved.

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State of Maryland Calvert County to wit

On this 20th day of March 1828 personally appeared Peter Wilson before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the county aforesaid and made oath on the holy Evangely of Almighty God that in the latter part of the yr on 1814 he saw Clem Brook. Michael Brook John Brook. Sam or Samuel Hoy. and George Bear. the property of William C. Dawkins in the possession of the Brittish [sic] acting as marines whilst their ships lay in the Patuxant [sic] river And that he lived at that time on the farm at drum point. Which farm lay directly at the mouth of said river. Where he had daily an oppportunity of seeing them on shore when their ships lay there. and that he saw other Negroes as well as the above named. bearing arms with the Brittish [sic] at different times. and that he had known the above named Negroes for several years prior to that time. which made him notice them particular

Sworn before Young Parran

State of Maryland Calvert County to wit

On this 20th day of March 1828 personally appeared Samuel Rawlings & David Dorsey before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the county aforesaid and made oath on the holy Evangely of Almighty God that they are acquainted with Peter Wilson and have been also for many years. and have always considered him a man of a fair character and his oath ought to be entitled to credit – and that they themselves at two different times have seen Negroes bearing arms with the Brittish [sic] when they were in the lower end of Calvert in the year 1814

Sworn before Young Parran

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State of Maryland Calvert County Sc.

I Hereby certify that Young Parran Gentleman
before whom the within depositions were made and taken and who has thereto
subscribed his name was at the time of so doing a Justice of the peace of the
said [illegible] and for Calvert County aforesaid duly commissioned and sworn.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed
my name and affixed the Seal of Calvert County
Court this 22nd day of March Anno Domini 1828

William S. Morsell Clk of
Calvert County Court

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Clem Brook
Michael Brook
John Brook
Sam Hoy
George Baer



Married. see
Peter Wilson's de-
position

Augustus Coolidge
Chancy Brook
Maria Brook
Hannah Brook see p. 67.
Hannah Hoy
Rebecca Duke
Sarah Brook - - p. 68.
Peg. or Margaret

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St Leonards April 30th Free

Hon'ble John Quincy Adams
Secretary of State
Washington

Slaves Depositions

Dawkins, Wm. C. - St. Leonard's Creek, Calvert Co. Md

29 April 1821
recd 6 May "

13 Slaves – dep'ns (5) of Alex. Dawkins
James Dawkins, Ann Sollers, Wm. C. Dawkins
& John Blackburn (one sheet) enclosed –
absconded July 1814 (very believed to the
British fleet in the Patuxent) –

| names | age | value | |
|----------------|-------|--|----------------|
| Hannah -- | 45 -- | 200 | 3 – 500 |
| Beck (f.) -- | 40 -- | 200 | 2 – 450 |
| Sal -- | 27 -- | 350 | 1 – 350 |
| Clem -- | 35 -- | 500 | 3 – 200 |
| Mile -- | 25 -- | 500 | 1 – 180 |
| John -- | 24 -- | 500 | 1 – 175 |
| Sam -- | 15 -- | 450 | 1 – 160 |
| George -- | 15 -- | 450 | <u>1</u> – 150 |
| Peg -- | 10 -- | 180 | 13 |
| Augustus -- | 7 -- | 200 | |
| Chaney (f.) -- | 7 -- | 175 | |
| Maria -- | 5 -- | 160 | |
| Hannah -- | 3 -- | 150 | |
| | | 4015 | |

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Wm. C. Dawkins – Loss of 13 Slaves -

St Leonards Creek
Calvert County April 29th
1821

Sir:

Enclosed, I forward Depositions relative to the loss of thirteen of my Slaves who went off to the Enemy in the year 1814 – The Secrecy generally observed by the Negroes in quitting the Service of their Owners, precludes the possibility in many cases of procuring direct evidence of their having actually deserted to the British – The testimony which I send is all that I have been able at present to collect - Should you deem it insufficient, either in point of Form or Substance and will have the goodness to intimate to me your opinion - I will in the first Instance correct it – and in the other, Should I be so fortunate as to discover additional testimony, will forward it to your Department with all convenient expedition

I am very respectfully
Your Ob't Serv't
Wm C Dawkins

Hon'ble John Q Adams
Secretary of State

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Claim of W. C.
Dawkins. Depos.

State of Maryland Calvert County to wit

On this 30th day of January in the year of our Lord 1828 – there came Mr. Isaac Smith before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for said County and made oath on the Holy Evangely of almighty God that he lived on Sandy Island – at the mouth of the Patuxent River in the year of our Lord 1814 and [illegible word crossed out] in the summer, early one morning he saw a large canno [sic] coming down the river with fourteen Black people on bord [sic] and that they landed on the inland shore near him and he found thirteen of them to be the property of William C. Dawkins, and not knowing all thair [sic] names They identify their names to me to be Hannah,, Beck,, Sal – and Clem,, Mila,, John,, Sam,, George,, Peg Augustus,, Chaney Maria Hannah,, and in a short time they put off and I saw them arrive alongside of one of the Brittish [sic] ships of ware [sic] then lying the harbor at the mouth of the Patuxent River and since afterwards he was at drum point and he saw the foresaid negroes on shore with the brittish [sic]sum [sic] a washing, and sum [sic] with the mixt [sic] militia under the controle [sic] of the officers – and further this deponant [sic] Saith not -- Sworn before

Hezekiah Coberth

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State of Maryland Calvert County to wit

On this 1th day of February in the year of our Lord 1828 there came Mr. Isaac Brooke before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for said county and made oath on the Holy Evangely of almighty God, that Sarah a Black woman the property of William C. Dawkins called hisself [sic] Sarah Brooke – and that Hannah Brook was also the property of Mr. William C Dawkins and that a girl by name of Margret, Clem was also the property of the said Wm C Dawkins – and that the above Sarah Brook was suposed [sic] to be about the age of 28 years, and that Hannah Brooke was suposed [sic] to be about two years of age at that time, and this Deponant [sic] further states that he lived with Mr. William C Dawkins in the year of our Lord 1814 – sum [sic] time late in the summer of that year that one morning that they was thirteen Slaves missin [sic] off of the farm of William C Dawkins and a large canno [sic] was also missin [sic], and I have never seen one of them since – and those slaves called themselves [sic] and went by the farming names to wit - first

- Augustus, Culage) Hannah Hoy
- Cheney – Brooke) Rebecca Dulee
- Maria – Ditto) Sarah Brooke
- Hannah – Ditto) Clem Ditto
- Michael Ditto
- John Ditto
- Samuel Hoy
- George Bare
- Margret Clem

and this deponent further says not –
Sworn before
Hezekiah Coberth

State of Maryland Calvert County Sc

I Hereby certify that Hezekiah Coberth Esquire before whom the foregoing depositions were made and taken and who has thereto subscribed his [illegible] at the time of so doing a Justice of the peace of the said State in and for [illegible] aforesaid duly Commissioned and Sworn.

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In Testimony whereof I have hereunto [illegible]
and affixed the Seal of Calvert County Court this 2nd day
of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and twenty eight.

William S Morsell Clk of Calvert
County Court

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[Illegible] of Maryland Calvert County to wit

This 23rd day of Feb'y 1828 personally appeared Peter Wilson before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and made oath on the holy Evange [sic] of Almighty God that in the latter part of the year Eighteen hundred and fourteen he saw Clem Brook. Michael Brook John Brook. Sam. or Samuel Hoy and George Bear the property of William C. Dawkins. in the possession of the British acting as Marines whilst they lay in the Patuxant [sic] River
Sworn before Young Parran

Calvert County Sct

I hereby certify that Young Parran Gentleman before whom the above deposition was made and whose name is thereto subscribed was at the time of so doing and still is one of the State of [illegible] Justices of the peace in and for Calvert County [illegible] duly commissioned & sworn
In Testimony whereof I have hereto set my name and affixed the seal of Calvert County Court this 25th day [illegible] February AD 1828
Wm S Morsell Clk of
Calv't County Court