Slave Bill of Sale

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John R. Howe & others
vs[.]
Wm[.] S. Mitchell & others
In the Probate Court of Lafayette County

Whereas at a Sale made by order of the Probate Court of Lafayette County in the above entitled cause, on the 7th day of November 1859, of Slaves in said above entitled cause, Nathaniel C. Mitchell then and there bid the Sum of Four Hundred Dollars for a Negro Woman named Moring, and that being the [text stricken through] highest Price bid, and also then and there bid the Sum of One Thousand and fifty Dollars for a negro Boy named John; and that being the highest price bid, I therefore sold said negroes to said Mitchell at and for the Sums so bid by him as aforesaid[.] Now for and in consideration of the Sum of Fourteen hundred and fifty Dollars to me in hand paid, I do hereby bargain[,] sell and deliver to said Mitchell, the aforesaid slaves, with all the right title and Interest the said [MS. torn] parties[,] Plaintiffs and Defendants had in and to the [MS. torn] on said day of Sale[.]

So Given under my hand as late Sheriff of Lafayette County this 31st day of March AD, 1860[,] Jno [John] P. Bowman[,] late Sheriff of Lafayette County