

said estate as his own, without rendering any account of the profits thereof; (a) in consideration of his taking care of the person of the lunatic, and providing him clothing and complete maintenance, and every necessary to his comfort and subsistence, according to his estate and condition: provided, that before the said *John Manning* shall act as trustee aforesaid, he shall file with the register of this court, a bond to the State of Maryland, executed by himself, and a surety or sureties, approved by the Chancellor, in the penalty of £2000, conditioned for the faithful performance of the trust reposed in him by this order, according to the tenor thereof; and for returning to this court within six months from the date thereof, an inventory of the real and personal estate of the said lunatic, which shall come into his hands, or be known to, or discovered by him; and for delivering the same up, agreeably to the Chancellor's order, whenever for that purpose passed. *Ordered* further, that when the said *Manning* shall enter upon his trust, he shall make sale of the perishable articles of the said personal estate; and report the same to the Chancellor, in order that he may either ratify or set aside the same.

This trustee gave bond accordingly; and returned an inventory of the property of the lunatic, which had come to his hands. Some time after which, he stated by his petition, that negro *James*, the property of the lunatic, had frequently absconded from service, and had several times nearly effected his escape; and by so doing had become of little use, and was in great danger of being totally lost. Whereupon the petitioner prayed, that he might be authorised to sell him, &c.

7th June, 1805.—HANSON, *Chancellor*.—*Ordered*, that the trustee of the said lunatic, viz. the said *John Manning*, be and is hereby authorised to sell a certain negro belonging to the said lunatic, called *James*; the purchaser of the said slave paying immediately the consideration, or giving bond with surety to the said trustee as such for paying the same with interest, within one year from the

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(a) The Chancellor of England cannot grant a lunatic's estate without account; but the Chancellor there, may make what allowance he pleases for the maintenance of the lunatic, as supposing the estate to be £500 per annum, or £1000, he may allow as great a salary as the income of the estate amounts to; so that, in some cases, where the income is very narrow, the whole may be deemed little enough. *Sheldon v. Fortescue Aland*, 3 P. Will. 110; *Lysaght v. Royse*, 2 Scho. and Lef. 153; In the matter of *Fitzgerald*, 2 Scho. and Lef. 436; *Shelford on Lunatics*, 215.