CASES DECIDED

IN THE

HIGH COURT OF CHANCERY

OF MARYLAND.

CRAPSTER .. GRIFFITH.

An infant female between sixteen and twenty-one years of age, is competent to give a valid receipt for her property, but not an acknowledgment for the payment of an equivalent. The auditor may be ordered to proceed immediately to the adjustment of an account—a settlement in the Orphans Court by a guardian is not conclusive; but when relied on by him here, he should produce the vouchers on which it was founded. A party may be arrested under an attachment any where, out of, as well as in the county of his residence. A plaintiff, after a decree in his favour for the delivery of certain negroes, may, by a new bill, recover their increase and profits subsequent to the auditor's report, and not included in that decree. A decree of the Court of Appeals, sent to the Court of Chancery to be executed, cannot be there revised or modified in any material particular. Personal property, of which a partition cannot be made, may be sold, and the proceeds of sale divided.

This bill was filed on the 20th of September, 1809, by Bazil Crapster and Harriet his wife, against Lyde Griffith-It states, that Vachel Dorsey died in the year 1795, leaving a widow Ann, and two children John H. Dorsey, and the plaintiff Harriet; that the intestate died seized and possessed of a considerable real and personal estate; that letters of administration, on his personal estate, were granted to his widow and Luke Pool, but that all the assets, and the actual conduct of the administration, passed into the hands, and was performed by the widow; that, some time early in the year 1798, she married the defendant, after which, on the 25th of April in the same year, they settled a final account with the Orphans Court, shewing a balance of £503 11s. 34d. due to the estate; that John H. Dorsey, the son of the intestate, died some time in the year 1798, under age and intestate; after which Luke Pool died, leaving the then wife of the defendant as the surviving administratrix, that the defendant, soon after his marriage