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MILL FOR RENT – The Subscriber offers for rent for the next season, “THE NEW MILL at this place. It has two pair of Burrs, and a pair of Corn Stones a first rate Smutt Machine. It is situated within 50 feet of the Railroad. The steam is the largest and most lasting in the region. Possession will be given after the 1st of August 1851. It borders upon a fine wheat growing region, and from its proximity to the Depot, it will command it to the Blue Ridge. The Road it is supposed will be finished to this place by the 1st of May. Persons wishing such property will communicate either by person or by letter to this place (post-paid) to me.

John Chapman
Thoroughfare, Va.

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AUCTION SALES – THOROUGHFARE MILLS FOR SALE ON THURSDAY, the 5th day of December 1867, by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, pronounced at the October Term, 1867, in the suit of Horner et al., vs Chapman, the undersigned, as Commissioners of Sale, will offer to the highest bidder, at Manassas Station, at 12 M., that splendid MILL BUILDING and WATER POWER; also the SAW MILL BUILDING and WATER POWER; known as the THOROUGHFARE MILLS, lately the property of John Chapman, deceased. Said property is situated at Thoroughfare Gap, immediately upon the Manassas Gap Railroad, with switch, &c., for loading and unloading cars, 42 miles from the city of Alexandria and in direct communication by railroad with the cities of Washington & Baltimore. The building is five stories high with a basement, and can be easily converted into a factory for cotton and woolen goods, and is surrounded by a large wool growing country. The stream is never failing, and the whole is considered one of the most eligibly situated and desirable pieces of property in the State of Virginia. The attention of persons desiring either a factory or merchant is particularly called to it.

Terms of Sale – ten per cent cash, and the residue in three equal annual installments, the credit payments to bear interest, and to be secured to the satisfaction of the commissioners; to be retained until the last payment is made; the property subject to be resold under an order of the court, in event of the failure to meet the payments.

At the same time and place, and upon the same terms, will be offered for sale, TWO TRACTS OF LAND, about THREE HUNDRED ACRES each, on, adjoining the described Mills and lying on the south side of the Manassas Gap Railroad, partly in Fauquier and partly in Prince William counties, said land being also the property of the late John Chapman, divided into two tracts to suit purchasers. Each tract has a small DWELLING HOUSE upon it, and other buildings, with a sufficiency of water and timber, and is partially enclosed.

For further information apply to John S. Chapman, No. 68 Prince Street, Alexandria, Va. –

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