

and Margaret his wife, Daniel Newman, and Kitty his wife, the unknown heirs & devisees of William Shields of Ohio of William to Lydia, and her husband Joseph Workman Nathaniel Grewson and Ann E. his wife, Joseph Scumty & Jane his wife Nancy Hill and Doctor Hill her husband Maxwell Shields Mary Shields, Catharine Shields, and Mary Jane Shields, and their unknown husbands to the unknown heirs, and devisees of William Jellum Blair to the unknown heirs, and devisees of Henry Shields, of David Shields of Margaret Evans, of Agnes Woods and of Samuel Shields naming them of the substance & object of this bill, and that they appear in this court, in person or by solicitor on or before a certain day - to answer the premises and to show cause if any, they have, why a decree in the premises should not pass as prayed, and that such Decree as may be passed in the form used may be performed, and obeyed by all the parties and as is duly bound, they will ever pay & fulfill.

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State of Maryland, Frederick County to wit

Be it remembered that on this 26. day of March, A.D. 1851 before the subscriber a Justice of the peace, in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Milton P. J. Arny son of Betty - Anderson, one of the parties defendants in the bill & made Oath, that none of the parties, mentioned in said bill, except as therein stated, reside within the limits of the State of Maryland, and that all the rest, who are therein named are now residents, and live beyond the Jurisdiction of the State and that diligent enquiry & search has been made within the State, for the heirs, & devisees of such of the parties, as are therein mentioned, to be dead, and that none others can be ascertained, or discovered, within the said State; except as in said bill mentioned

Sworn before.

M. B. Balgild.

In the name of God, amen I William Shields of Frederick County & State of Maryland, Farmer, being in perfect health of body, of a sound mind & disposing memory. Thanks be given unto God, calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die Do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say: Principally and first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God, who gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with here in this life, I give down & dispose of in manner & form following First it is my will & desire, that as much of my personal Estate, slaves included, as shall be judged necessary to pay off all