
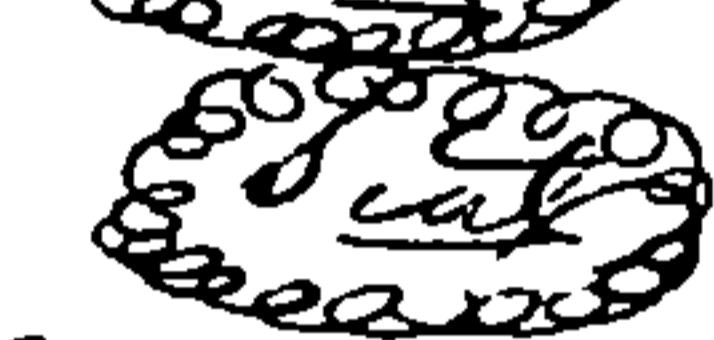


destinately, and plainly wrote and when you shall have so taken the said answers you are to send the same, closed up under your seal together with your certificate of yours having assigned and appointed such guardian as aforesaid and this sent unto me - in said Court Witness the Hon Madison Nelson Judge of said Court the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February Anno Domini 1854 Issued 17 day of June 1854 Just

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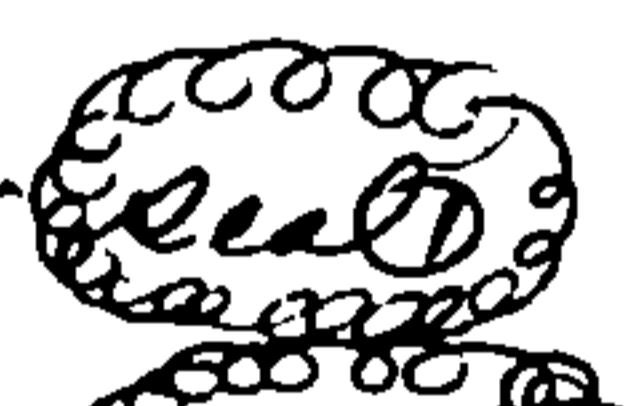
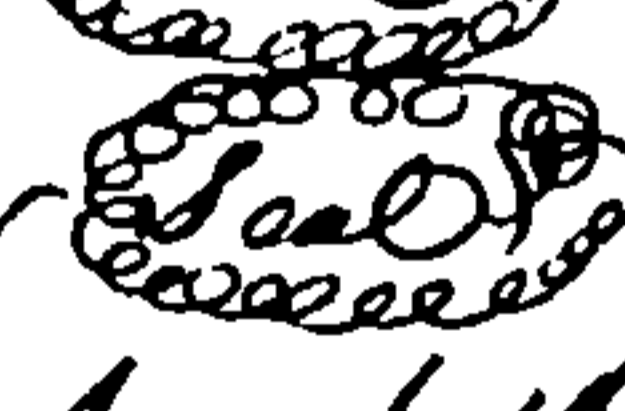


To the Honorable Madison Nelson Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity - The subscribers being the Commissioners named in the annexed Commission - hereby certify - That in execution of the powers thereby vested in us we did on the 3<sup>o</sup> day of July in the year 1854 proceed to the dwelling house of Edward C Cunningham in St Charles City in the State of Missouri when Frederick Cunningham, Edward - L Cunningham, and John M<sup>d</sup> Cunningham the Infants named in said Commission then were, and caused the Infants to be brought before us and then and there in the presence of the said Infants assigned and appointed the said Edward C Cunningham - of said St Charles City in said State guardian to said Infants and took the annexed - of the said Infants by their said Guardian, and under the oath of said Guardian, by us administered to the bill of Complaint in said Commission mentioned which said answer, with said Commission is herewith returned, Closed under our hands and seals this 3<sup>o</sup> day of July Eighteen Hundred and Fifty four

John A. Richey (Commissioner,   
J<sup>s</sup> S. Sanford (Commissioner, 

The Joint answer of Frederick Cunningham Edward L Cunningham & John M<sup>d</sup> Cunningham Infants under the age of Twenty one years by Edward C Cunningham their guardian to the bill of Complaint of Joseph Eastonday & Sarah his wife against them & others Exhibited in the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity These defendants, can neither admit nor deny, any of the matters, and things alleged in said bill of Complaint, and being Infants of tender years submit their rights to the protection of the Court

Edward C Cunningham Guardian

On this Third day of July 1854 before the subscribers Commissioners personally appeared Edward C Cunningham, the above named Guardian, and made oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God - that the matters, and things stated in the aforesaid answer are true, to the best of his knowledge & belief Sworn before

'Evens', John A. Richey (Comm<sup>r</sup>   
J<sup>s</sup> S. Sanford (Comm<sup>r</sup>  John A. Richey (Comm<sup>r</sup>   
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The following answer was filed Aug<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>o</sup> 1854

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County

sitting as a Court of Equity July Term 1854 The answer of Francis A Knott & Ruth W Knott his wife to the Bill of Complaint of Joseph Eastonday and Sarah his wife, in said Court against these respondents, and Frederick Cunningham Edward L Cunningham, and John M<sup>d</sup> Cunningham exhibited - These respondents, saving and reserving to themselves all and all manner of exception to the manifold - Errors and insufficiencies of said Bill of Complaint Nevertheless for answer to so much thereof as is material and necessary to be answered, by these respondents answering say - That they admit - That Frederick Stoye, late of said County deceased on or about the 5 day of May last past intestate seized and possessed of three well tracts, or parcels of land situate at the County aforesaid to wit: One tract containing about One hundred and Ten acres, another tract containing about - seventy acres and a third tract containing about fifteen acres as stated in the