your seal. together with your certificate of your having assigned & appointed such guardian as aforesaid. and this writ, unto me. in said Court.
Witness The Hon. Madison Nelson. Judge of said Court. the 7th day of January. - Anno Domini 1856. Issued 7th day of Feby. 1856. Test Edwd. Shriver Clk C.

No. 2654. Equity. To the Hon Madison Nelson. Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County. sitting as a Court of Equity. The subscriber. the Commissioner. named in the annexed Commission. hereby certifies. that in execution of the powers there by vested in me. I did on the Eighth day of February. in the year 1856. cause the infants named in the said Commission. to be brought before me in Frederick Town. and then. and there. in the presence of the said Infants. assigned. and appointed William G. Cole of Frederick County. Guardian to said Infants. & took the answer of said Infants by their said guardian. and under the Oath of said guardian by me - administered. to the Bill of Complaint in said Commission mentioned. which said answer. with said Commission is herewith returned. closed under my hand & seal this 8th day of February. 1856.

Geo. K. Shellman (Seal)

The answer of Elizabeth Blessing. Penelope. R. Blessing. Lucinda V. Blessing and Sam M. Blessing. Infants under age of Twenty one years. by William G. Cole. their guardian to the Bill of Complaint of William A. Blessing & others. against them in the Circuit Court for Frederick County. sitting as a Court of Equity. exhibited

These defendants cannot admit any of the matters. and things. alleged in the said Bill. and being Infants of tender years. submit their rights to the protection of this Court.

Wm G. Cole - Guard.n f.

On this 8th day of February in the year 1856. the above named William G. Cole appeared before me the Commissioner. and made Oath - that the matters & things stated in the foregoing answer, are true. to the best of his knowledge & belief

Geo. K. Shellman.

"Endors" The execution of the within Commission will appear by the papers enclosed"

"Geo. K. Shellman". (Seal)

The following Petition & order was filed Feby. 12. 1856.

Blessing & others. vs. Blessing & others. } No. 2654. Equity. In the Circuit Court for Frederick County. January Term 1856.

To the Hon M. Nelson Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County. In Equity. The petition of the Complainants in this case shows that the Subpoenas have all been returned summoned. & the answers of the defendants are filed - They therefore pray your Honor to pass an order. directing the Clerk to issue a Commission to some person to take Testimony. touching the allegations of the Bill

M B Luckett. Solr for Petrs.

February 8th 1856. Let a Commission issue as prayed. to Geo. K. Shellman Esq.

M. Nelson.

Maryland Sc. The state of Maryland to George K. Shellman Esqr of Frederick County: Greeting: Be it Known. that you are appointed Commissioner to examine Evidences in a cause depending. in the Circuit Court for Frederick County. as a Court of Equity. Between William A. Blessing & others. Complainants & Elizabeth. E Blessing & others defendants. you are therefore required. having first taken the Oath hereunto annexed & also administered the annexed oath to the person whom you shall appoint as clerk to attend the execution of this Commission - that at such time. and place. as to you shall seem Convenient - you cause to come before you. all such Evidences. as shall be named. & produced to you. by either the Complainants or defendants,

(Seal)