Bennett, all adults, and certain minor children whose names are unknown to you complainants, which children after the death of John F Dell, under the provisions of the Will are entitled to the portion devised to John F Dell for life, Lewis H Dell, George T Dell, Henrietta, who married George R Wisong, and died since her father and before her mother, leaving a daughter, Mary, now wife of Spencer Hill, Eliza Wisong adults and Wisong, a minor under twenty years of age, the children of Mary M Schultz, dec'd, wife of Theodore Schultz, who died before her father, Joshua Dell, leaving the following children Henrietta Schultz, Sophia A Schultz and Mary M Shultz, all of whom are under twenty one years of age The Bill further states that the title to the lands is now vested in C Keefer Thomas, Ann Simmons, the children of Adelaide Stone, Phoebe J Thomas and the children of Joshua Dell, that the said lands cannot be divided without loss or injury to the parties interested, and that the interest of all parties concerned, requires that the said lands be sold under a decree of this Court, and the proceeds of sale divided among the parties concerned according to their respective interests. The Bill further states that Edmund J Stone, Albert Stone, Cecelia J Stone, Samuel Stone, John F Dell, Joshua Dell the unknown infant children of John F Dell, Spencer Hill and Mary Hill, his wife, are non residents of the State of Maryland It is thereupon this 29th day of May, in the year 1873, ordered and adjudged that the Complainants, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Frederick County once a week for four successive weeks prior the 8th day of July, in the year 1873, give notice to said absent defendants of the object and substance of this Bill, and warn them to be and appear in this Court in person or by solicitor, on or before the 10th day of October 1873, to answer the premises and show cause if any they have, why a decree ought not to pass as prayed

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Chas Mantz, Clerk

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Answers

The answer of Lewis H Dell and Ellen Dell, his wife, of George T Dell of George R Wisong of Eliza Wisong, of Georgianna S Dell, and of Theodore Shultz of Frederick County, State of Maryland, and of Frank Benner and Emma S Benner his wife, and of George T Dell of the City of Baltimore to the Bill of Complaint of Sebastian Keefer Thomas and Evelina V Thomas his wife and others filed in the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity against themselves and others These defendants for answer to said Bill of Complaint to answer and say that they admit that the piece and parcel of land described in said Bill of Complaint, situate in Frederick County, State of Maryland, was assigned to Inlet C Thomas widow of Samuel Thomas as her dower in the estate of her deceased husband, that the said Inlet C Thomas afterwards intermarried with James Walling, and that she is now dead These defendants further admit that said lands vested in the children and heirs of Samuel Thomas who died intestate subject to the