H Spohn, Margaret J Herbert Lilly Herbert and Elizabeth E Herbert, are infants under age and cannot answer the said Bill of Complaint nor defend this suit without having a Guardian assigned in that behalf, know ye therefore that we have given unto you full power and authority in pursuance of the special order in said Court to assign and appoint a Guardian for the afore said infants and to take the answer of the said infants by such Guardian to the said Bill of Complaint and therefore we command you that at such certain day and place as you shall think fit you assign and appoint a Guardian for the aforesaid infants and to take the answer of the said infants by such Guardian to the said Bill of Complaint on such Guardians Corporal Oath upon the Holy Evangely to be administered by you the said Answer being distinctly and plainly written and when you shall have taken the said answers you are to send the same closed up under your seal together with your certificate of your having assigned and appointed such Guardian as aforesaid and this writ unto us in said Court.

Witness the Honorable Richard J Bowie Chief Judge of said Court the 9th day of December Anno Domini 1872
Issued the 18th day of December 1872

Test,

Filed Dec. 18. 1872. Charles Mantz Clerk.

Answer of Infants

Edward Bowlus Admr of Elizabeth Spohn
vs.
William Cartzendafner et al

No. 3807 Equity.
In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity

To the Honorable the Judges of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity.

The subscriber being the Commissioner named in the annexed Commission hereby certifies that in execution of the powers thereby vested in me, I did on the 18th day of December A. D. 1872 assign and appoint Adolphus Fearhake Jr. Esq. of Frederick County Guardian to the infants named in said Commission and 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 and seal this 18th day of December A. D. 1872

H C Koehler Commissioner (Seal)

The answer of Orfa E. Spohn Mary Lee Spohn Edward H Spohn, Margaret J Herbert Lilly Herbert and Elizabeth E Herbert infants under the age of twenty one years by Adolphus Fearhake jr their Guardian to the bill of complaint of Edward Bowlus Admr. 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 bill, and being infants of tender years submit their rights to the protection of this Court.

A Fearhake Jr.

On this 18th day of December A.D. 1872 the above named Adolphus Fearhake jr appeared before me the Commissioner and made Oath that the matters and things stated in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief

H C Koehler
Commissioner

Filed Dec 18, 1872.