

having assigned and appointed such guardian as aforesaid and this writ into said court.

Witness the Honorable Richard S. Bowie Chief Judge of said Court the 16th day of September Anno. Domini 1878.

Issued the 9th day of November 1878.

Test. Thomas Gouch Clerk

John F. Steep & others

No. 4425. Equity.

vs
Ira F. Steep & others

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 Commissioner named in the annexed Commission hereby certified that in execution of the process thereby, stated in me. Said on the 9th day of November A.D. 1878. assigned and appointed H. Clay Nail 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 the 9th day of November A.D. 1878.

C. C. Beckman
Commissioner

The Answer of John F. Steep, Thomas M. Steep, Anna M. Steep, Minnie V. Steep, and Martha V. Steep, infants under the age of twenty one years by H. Clay Nail their Guardian to the Bill of Complaint of John F. Steep, et al. 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.

H. Clay Nail

On this 9th day of November A.D. 1878. the above named H. Clay Nail 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.

Filed Nov. 9. 1878.

C. C. Beckman
Commissioner

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The Clerk will please file general replication to answers in this cause and issue commission to standing Commissioners to take testimony.

Filed Nov. 11 1878

Frank J. Nelson
Sol for Compt.

General
Replication
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Commission
to take testimony