

J. E. H. Wood one of the Commissioners named in the said Commission having met at my Office, in the City of Frederick on Wednesday the twenty third day of January A. D. 1878 pursuant to previous notice thereof given to the parties did then and there in the presence of the Honorable G. W. Usher Solicitor for the Complainants proceed to take the following depositions and testimony to wit

The Complainants filed as evidence Exhibits No. 1 and 2.
The Commissioners then proceeded to take the following depositions to wit

William Gebler a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the Complainants being duly sworn and examined to interrogatories filed with the Commission by the Complainants and herewith returned deposes and says

1st Int. — What is your name, age and place of residence?

Answer William Gebler, I am thirty one years of age, and reside near Beardans Frederick County

2^d Do you know the Parties to this suit and if yea, how long have you known them?

Answer I know all the Parties except Robert Wilson and wife and have known them for some time

3^d Int.

Did you know James Cook late of Frederick County? Is he living or dead, if dead when and where did he die, and did he die Intestate

Ans. I did. He is dead, He died at his home in Frederick County He died sometime in the Summer of 1877. He died Intestate

The 4th Int. Did said James Cook seize and possess of any Real Estate; and if yea describe the same, state where it is situated and give its value.

Look at Exhibit No 1. filed in this case and state whether or not the Real Estate therein described is that of which said James Cook died seized and possessed?

Answer He did, it is in Johnsons District Frederick County State of Maryland. It is a House and Lot of about three acres, It is worth I suppose \$400⁰⁰ or \$500⁰⁰ I look at the paper now shown and marked Exhibit No 1. It describes the land of which said James Cook died seized and possessed

5th Int. Do you know Moses Shaw and Wm. Wilson two of the Complainants in this cause and if yea state whether they are now or have been at any time trading together as partners and if yea what has been their partnership name?

Answer, I do They have been in business as Partners, Their Firm name was Shaw and Wilson

6th Int. Was the said James Cook at the time of his death indebted to the Complainants or either of them and if yea state to what amount and whether by note or open account? and has such indebtedness been paid?

Answer to 6th I can only speak for myself, he indebted to me, He owed