

Shrove, Bernard Shrove and Margaret E. Shrove - all of them are alive except Belle Shrove and are all infants, except Richard F. who is over twenty one years of age and they all reside in the State of Maryland. Thomas J. Shrove died in the year 1869 or 1870 leaving the following children; Oswald J. Shrove and Arthur L. Shrove - both are infants under the age of twenty one years and reside in the State of Maryland. The children of deceased Charles H. Shrove are Fanny B. Shrove, Charles E. Shrove, Richard B. Shrove, Mary E. Shrove, Anna B. Shrove, Thomas B. Shrove, Grafton J. Shrove, Edward H. Shrove and William A. Shrove - They are all infants and live in the State of Maryland. The children of Anna O. Shrove, now the wife of John E. R. Wood are Paul E. Wood, Mary E. Wood, John Wood, and Roger B. Wood, they are all infants and reside in Frederick County in the State of Maryland.

6th Q^{nt}:

Has said Mary E. Shrove seized and possessed of any real estate at the time of her death, if yes how much and what sort, where situate and what is it now worth?

Answer: She was, it is situated in Montgomery and Frederick Counties in the State of Maryland seven hundred and six and a half acres of the land are in Montgomery County, and one hundred and four acres of land are in Frederick County Maryland - It is farming lands and woodlands and is worth about fifteen thousand dollars.

7th Q^{nt}:

Look at the papers now shown you, being No 159 Equity in the Circuit Court for Montgomery County for the year 1866, the case of Daniel J. Shrove and others complainants vs Anna O. Shrove and Arthur B. Shrove defendants, and filed as an exhibit in this cause and state whether the lands of Mary E. Shrove of which she died seized and possessed in the State of Maryland are described in said papers?

Answer: I look at said papers, the lands left by Mary E. Shrove, of which I have spoken, are the lands described in said papers -

8th Q^{nt}:

Can the real estate of which said Mary E. Shrove died, seized and possessed in the State of Maryland and heretofore described be divided among the children heirs of Mary E. Shrove without loss and injury and give your reasons

Answer - It cannot - there is but one set of buildings on the lands, and the lands are not susceptible of division into so many parts without great loss.

9th Q^{nt}:

Would it not be to the interest and advantage of the said children and heirs of Mary E. Shrove infants as well as adults to sell the said land and divide the proceeds arising from the sale thereof among the said heirs? Give your reasons for this opinion fully.

Answer: It would, from the very fact that it is not susceptible of so many divisions without sacrifice, and it could not be held in common so as to be satisfactory to all the parties, and there might be difficulty in getting them all to agree to needed repairs, whereupon, the solicitor for the defendants having declined to cross examine the said Richard H. Jones, and there being no other witnesses to be examined and neither party desiring further time for the production of his evidences, the commission closed the said commission, and herewith returns the same, and he also returns herewith and as a part of the evidence, the herewith enclosed Equity papers in No 159 to 1866 on the Equity docket of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, this 1st day of March A.D. 1869.

Geo. K. Shelton Seal

Costs of Executing Commission

Due to Charles H. Shrove a witness

\$ 2.25

" " Richard H. Jones

2.25

" " Commission for his fees in Executing Commission

5.00