

No. 5595 Equity  
Testimony

Clayton Nichols & wife }  
John P. Steir et al } No. 5595 Equity  
In the Circuit Court for Frederick County  
sitting in Equity

In pursuance of the Annual order of Court and notice given me by the Solicitor for the Plaintiffs in the above entitled cause, J. William Helgeson one of the regular Examiners of said Court having Saturday the 2<sup>d</sup> day of November a. d. 1889 at my office in Frederick City Maryland as the time and place for taking the testimony in this cause and having given due notice thereof to the parties concerned, did then and there proceed to take the following testimony to-wit-

The Plaintiffs filed with the Examiner as evidenced Exhibit No. 1. which is herewith returned by said Examiner

William Downey a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the Plaintiffs, being duly sworn to interrogatories propounded by the Solicitor for the Plaintiffs deposes and says to the-

1<sup>st</sup> Int. State your name, age and residence, and whether you know the parties to this suit?

1<sup>st</sup> Ans. William Downey age 63 years and reside in God Co. Md. and I know the parties to suit-

2<sup>d</sup> Int. Did you know Philip O. Steir both of Frederick County and if yes, is he living or dead - if dead when and where did he die, and did he die testate or intestate?

2<sup>d</sup> A. I did, he is dead, he died in Frederick County about 6 or 7 years ago, he left no will-

3<sup>d</sup> Int. Did he leave any children or heirs at law, if yes, state their names ages and places of residence?

3<sup>d</sup> Ans. He died unmarried and left no children and he left the following brothers and sisters of the whole blood, to-wit-

John P. Steir  
Hannie F. Steir  
Marceline Steir  
Mary Steir

J. N. Steir & Catharine E. Nichols wife of Clayton Nichols these brothers and sisters are all adults except Mary Steir and all reside in Frederick County except Nichols wife who live in Carroll Co. Md. and J. N. Steir who live in Harford Co.

4<sup>th</sup> Int. Did the said Philip Steir die seized & possessor of any real estate if yes describe the same & give its value, and look at Exhibit No. 1. now shown you and say whether it describes said real estate?

4<sup>th</sup> Ans. He did, he died seized & possessed of a house & lot in New Market, worth about \$500<sup>00</sup>. I look at said Exhibit No. 1. and that describes said real estate.