No. 6952 Equity.

Courts Order.

Ordered by the Court this 8th day of May A.D. 1899. that leave be and it is hereby granted to the parties to the above entitled cause to take testimony therein before one of the standing Examiners of this Court.

John C. Motter.

Filed May 8th 1899.

Testimony to.

Melvin P. Wood
vs
Gertrude Wood et al.

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County.

To the Honorable the Judges of said Court:-

In pursuance of an order of Court granting leave to the complainant to take testimony to be used in the above entitled cause, I Glenn H. Worthington, Examiner in Equity of said Court, did at my law office in Frederick City, Maryland, on Tuesday May 9th at the hour of 11 a. m. proceed to take the following, depositions and testimony to be used as aforesaid, ex parte, that is to say:-

Dr. Jesse W. Downey, a witness of lawful age produced on the part of Complainants being first duly sworn deposes and says:-

1st Int'g Ans.

My Name is Jesse W. Downey, my age is 50 years and more, I am a physician residing at New Market in Frederick County, Md.

I knew Joseph Wood, deceased, in his life time.

He died about March 1896. I know his handwriting. I have frequently seen him write his name - I look at Exhibit No. 1. now handed me being a note of Joseph Wood to M. P. Wood for $300. dated March 2, 1896, and the name signed thereto is the genuine signature of Joseph Wood, The body of the note is filled in the handwriting of M. P. Wood.

Joseph Wood left surviving him as his heirs at law the following:-

1. A son Melvin P. Wood,

2. The children of a deceased son R. W. Wood, who died in the life time of his father. (a) Gertrude
(b) Elizabeth
(c) Ethel and
(d) Roscoe

Gertrude has been married to a Dr. Joseph H. Stonestreet of Montgomery County, since the filing of this bill, the bill in this case.

Of these children only Gertrude is of the age of 21 years the others being infants,

3. The children of a deceased son J. Newton Wood, who died in the life time of his father, to wit:-

(a) Joseph M.
(b) Margaret E.
(b) Alice E. and
Louie or Ann Louisa

of whom Joseph M. Margaret E. and Alice E. are adults and Louisa is an infant, These are the heirs at law of Joseph Wood deceased,