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To the 1st Interrogatory he answereth, he knows the parties and has known them 14 or 15 years.
To the 2d Interrogatory he answereth, Valentine Flegle deceased had by his first wife seven children viz Charles, Valentine, Jacob, John, the wife of Daniel Zacharias, the wife of Daniel Stoner and the wife of Jacob Dagey.
To the 3d Interrogatory he answereth has no knowledge of the names of the land of Valentine Flegle deceased but knows he owned land near Kridus church situate in Frederick County.
To the 4th Interrogatory he answereth does not know when his wife died, but the residue of the interrogatory answered in the second Interrogatory)
To the 5th Interrogatory he answereth that John Flegle employed the deponent to go with him to help to make shingles on said land to cover a house and to get timber for said house for Valentine Flegle deceased to live in, on the first or second evening the deponent observed to said Flegle deceased that his sons were very good to him to employ and pay hands to build a house for him to live in, in his old days he replied they are not doing it for me they are doing it for themselves, they know very well what they are doing it for he further said I have run out my land in lotts for my four boys and planted stones on the corners, this conversation happened fourteen or fifteen years ago.
To the 6th Interrogatory has no knowledge
To the 7th Interrogatory he answereth has no knowledge
To the 8th Interrogatory he answereth he has heard that Valentine the son had built a log house on the land of Valentine the father and that Valentine the son hauled the house from the premises but does not know who gave him the above information he knows of no other improvements made by Valentine the son
To the 9th Interrogatory he answereth this interrogatory answered in the preceding interrogatory
To the 10th Interrogatory he answereth that Charles Flegle lived on said land but knows of no improvements made by him.
To the 11th Interrogatory he answereth has no knowledge
To the 12th Interrogatory he answereth he knows that Jacob Flegle one of the complainants lived on the land he does not know how long nor of any improvements made by him
To the 13th Interrogatory he answereth that John Flegle one of the

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complainants never lived on the land after he was married
To the 14th Interrogatory he answereth that John Flegle was married about eighteen years ago and his other brothers before him
To the 15th 16th 17th 18th and 19th Interrogatories has no knowledge –
To the 20th Interrogatory he answereth he knows nothing of the value of property left by Valentine Flegle deceased except that claimed by the complainants.
To the 21st Interrogatory he answereth he has often heard but does not know from whom that John Flegle often told his father that he was welcome to come and live with him all his life and would treat him as well as himself.
To the 22d Interrogatory he answereth has no knowledge
To the 23d Interrogatory he answereth has no knowledge
adjourned to meet in Taneytown Friday the 29th November inst at the house of Eli Bently at 10 Oclock at the request of the complainants agreeable to adjournment the commissioner met on Friday the 29th November at the house of Eli Bently

John Bender aged about 50 years a witness produced on the part of the complainants being duly sworn deposeth as follows to wit
To the 1st Interrogatory he answereth he knows the complainants he has known the defendants a short time knew Valentine Flegle dec father of the complainants very well –
To the 2d Interrogatory he answereth that about twenty three or twenty four years ago Valentine Flegle now deceased father of the complainants told this deponent that he had devided all his land into four parts for his four sons the complainants Charly, Valentine, Jacob and John had set up stones at the corners and had entered into a written agreement with said sons conditioned to maintain him in a separate for himself his life, but some time after being dissatisfied with having made said agreement he the said Valentine deceased went to Henry Myers with whom said agreement was left for safe keeping and under pretence of wishing to hear it read snatched it out of the said Myers hands and destroyed it said Valentine deceased gave as a reason for making the said agreement that he wished to settle his sons in the world, that he was getting old.
To the 3d Interrogatory he answereth, answered in the preceding interrogatory except that he knows that Charles Valentine and Jacob was in possession of their parts, after the division of the land agreeable to the aforesaid agreement but John was not in possession of his part being at that time underage and an apprentice –