have been drunk. In this respect he does not think that the defendant Watkins would compare unfavorably with persons generally of the neighborhood, except in a few instances. He knows nothing unfavorable as to his moral character generally, except what he has already stated, and knows nothing as to his reputation in the neighborhood different from what deponent has stated as his independent knowledge, about his general moral character. Deponent has seen very little of Mrs Watkins prior to the death of her first husband. Towards the latter part of the lifetime of Mr Beard her first husband, there was a good deal of rumor and gossip in the neighborhood about her fidelity, but deponent does not know whether there was ground for it or not. (To this statement Mr Hagner complainants solicitor objected, and requested the commissioners to note the said objection). Deponent was after her first husband's death consulted by Mrs Watkins, (then Mrs Beard) and his advice sought as to her affairs. Deponent thereafter became better acquainted with her, having become security upon her bond as administratrix of deceased husband's estate.

To the third interrogatory, from what deponent saw and knew, the parties seemed to be living as happily as people ordinarily live, until about fifteen months ago. Some difficulty then ensued, deponent believes, from the fact that Mr Watkins wanted to rent the farm to Mr Black, which deponent objected, wishing to rent it himself, supposing that he could make more by cultivating it himself.

To the fourth interrogatory, that he has heard that Mrs Watkins had the chief control. Deponent knows that Mrs Watkins received the proceeds of the crops. He knows that a part of the money that was paid by Mr Ball for board of the hands employed

in building his house who boarded with Mr Watkins was paid by deponent at Mr Watkins request in part settlement of a debt of about eighty dollars due from John Beard's estate, of which she was the administratrix. At the time that Mrs Watkins was boarding these hands, Mr Watkins and Mrs Watkins purchased of deponent, mutton, lambs and other provision. These things were paid for by a check of Dr Berry, payable to Mr and Mrs Watkins for produce which Berry had sold from the farm while in the possession of Watkins and wife.

To the fifth interrogatory, that the parties were well acquainted with each other before their intermarriage. Deponent was frequently at her house during her widowhood and generally met with him there. He staid there a good deal, until it was talked of as improper. She ceased his visits there in a measure, upon deponent's and Dr Sellman's advice, strange to him. Deponent on one occasion mentioned to Mrs Watkins (then Mrs Beard), that he heard that She and William Watkins the defendant were to be married, and suggested to her that it was an imprudent match. She said, that She thought not. She thought him a very clever young man. This was not long before their marriage. Deponent does not remember how long, but several months.

To the sixth interrogatory, that there has not been a great deal of difference, in his character. The difference has been in his favor since his marriage.

To the seventh interrogatory, that he does not know of his own knowledge.

To the eighth interrogatory, that deponent thinks the property has been more judiciously tilled than before the marriage of the parties, except last year when Frank Brashears worked the land on