badly & sits upon four blocks & is without a Chimney & with no laths or plaster - one room down stairs & a loft above It is about 16 by 20 Mr Patterson built the house - the logs were cut from the premises The shingles were Cypress & both shingles & flooring she believes to have been purchased by Patterson

Miss Susan M. Belt a legal & Competent witness produced upon the part of Complt being duly sworn & examined to said Interrogatories deposes & says To Wit;

To 1st Inty - Resides on Farm near Rockville with Mrs E. A. Belt

2nd Julia Patterson is her sister & she has known Patterson for many years

3rd - Believes that they were married in Decbr Eigh - & fifty nine They were not married in her presence -

4th - Mr Price a negro Trader from Rockville came to her mothers house in April - Sixty with an order for said negro from Patterson whose signature witness recognized & stated that he had bought said negro & paid said Patterson thirteen hundred dollars & Price kept the Order & took said negro woman and her child out of the field & Witness has never seen woman child or order since Price resides in Virginia & has been there for the last three years (Defendants Counsel objects to the whole answer)

5th - waived as to this witness -

6th - In Jany 1860 & in August - Sixty one they were at her mothers house when Patterson applied very abusive language to his wife He said that if she did not go to the unfinished house on her premises that he would scandalize her in every way -



She charged him with wanting to spend the balance of her property as he had the value of the negro & he replied that he would spend the last cent He told her that if she would go and live with him in said unfinished house He would give her four Cotts in part payment of the value of said negro that he had sold I do not know whether he had any He said he would not support her & that if he made anything it should go to the children of his first wife and that her mother should support her - His language was so obscene that I will not repeat it;

7th - He has abandoned her since - sixty one and has given her no aid or support -

8th - She has been living at Witness' mother's house & supported by her

9th - It is a log house leaky unlathed, unplastered and unfit to dwell in -

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The Complainant desiring further time for the production of her witnesses the Comr adjourned said Comm and met again on the twenty fourth day of June 1865 at Rockville and did proceed then and there in the presence of the Solicitors for the parties to take the following testimony to wit A. C. Wilson a legal and competent witness produced upon the part of Complt being duly sworn & examined to Interrogatories filed with the Comr & herewith returned deposes & says;

To 1st Inty - am thirty two years of age - Montgomery County

2nd - Julia B. Patterson is my sister - I have known George B. Patterson for many years

3rd In much less than six months after their marriage Patterson wrote me a letter in which He stated that if she did not let him sell her negroes