

MS. 8845. Equity.

right. he was so that he could sign his name, anyway they got his signature here.

Q. Did you hear him say anything else other than that you have stated, that he wanted to convey the property to my flock for him to convey to his wife, Mrs. Crouse, in order that he could keep it out of court?

A. He didn't say anything about keeping it out of court. Mrs. Crouse said that.

Q. Where did Mrs. Crouse say that they wanted to keep it out of court?

A. That morning when they had the deed there, at the same time it was executed.

Q. Do you know whether or not Mr. Crouse was delirious the morning that he executed that deed?

A. He didn't seem to be at that time.

Q. How long were you there?

A. I was there a good part of the night, until after midnight. The deed was made in the evening about dusk.

Q. Who all were present when the deed was executed?

A. Dr. Smith, Mrs. Crouse, myself, and Mr. Hoover, the magistrate. There might have been some lady there I can't just remember.

A. To the best of my recollection nothing further.  
J. F. Mangier.

Alvin E. Sussbaugh, a witness of law age, produced on the part of the Plaintiff, being duly sworn deposes and says:

Q. State your name, age, residence and occupation.

A. Alvin E. Sussbaugh; age 40 years; residence, near Wepoer, Frederick County, Maryland; occupation, teacher.

Q. Do you know the parties to this cause?

A. I think I know them all except George H. Bishop.

Q. Did you know Daniel B. Crouse; is he living or dead; and if dead when did he die?

A. I know him; he is dead; he died the latter part of last January last.

Q. Did Daniel B. Crouse own any real estate during his lifetime?

A. To the best of my knowledge he did, because I knew something about the time he bought it.

Q. Of what did it consist?

A. A tract of land lying in Catoctin District, containing between 25 and 30 acres.

Q. Look at the paper now shown you and state whether or not it is a certified copy of a deed for the

made to Court by signed Crouse back at all they under e of tion the knew for miss they house the deed being a day ention all