

of the several witnesses brought before him. Of the witnesses then and there examined, to Charles S. Marshall and Wm. J. Porter, the whole series of the aforementioned questions were propounded, and their depositions were intended to be responsive to them. To the other witnesses, the eighth, ninth and tenth only of the series were propounded, and their depositions were intended to be responsive to them.

The Honorable Thomas A. Spence was present in presence of his attorney, Samuel A. Graham, Esq., throughout the examinations, except on Monday, the first day of January, 1866. The Honorable John W. Crisfield, A. C. Miles, Esq., and L. L. Waters, Esq., as the attorneys of the Hon. John R. Franklin, were present only occasionally during the examination of Tuesday and Wednesday, the 26th and 27th December, 1865.

The depositions of Thomas S. Hodson and George H. Richardson, were written and subscribed by the respective deponents. All of the other depositions were written by the clerks by whom they are severally attested, who were for that purpose appointed by me and sworn, fairly to write down and transcribe the depositions, and the said depositions were subscribed by the respective deponents. No other witnesses being before me to be examined, and the Hon. Thomas A. Spence having declined to offer any other, I this day close the examination.

With this certificate, I transmit to you the certificate of notice and the proof the service thereof. A paper writing made part of the testimony, marked "Exhibit A. T. A. S.," and all of the depositions of the witnesses examined before me, as stated in this Certificate.

Given under my hand and seal, this 1st day of January,  
 8 EAL.] 1866. EDWARD F. DUER, J. P.

*To his Excellency the Governor of Maryland:*

We, the subscribers, Judges at the close of an election, held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, (being the seventh day in said month,) in the Election Districts of Dorchester County, distinguished by numbers one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, and fourteen, for the purpose of choosing a Judge for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Maryland, having this day assembled at the usual place of the sitting of the Circuit Court of said County, with the books of the polls, on which are endorsed the several certificates, agreeably to law, and, having cast up the whole number of votes given in the said districts according to the respective certificates made out by the Judges, do return, that, Thomas A. Spence had six hundred and thirty-