## TESTIMONY.

To the Honorable John M. Frazier,

Presiding Officer of the House of Delegates of Maryland:

The undersigned, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Somerset county, most respectfully certifies to the Honorable Body over which you preside, that in pursuance of the notice herewith transmitted, at the time and place therein appointed, at the town of Princess Anne, in Somerset county, on Wednesday, the 24th day of January, 1866, he proceeded to examine on oath, administered by the undersigned, and take the depositions of the witnesses brought before him by the Honorable Thomas A. Spence. That a series of questions, herewith transmitted, numbered from one to five inclusive, were filed with me by the Honorable Thomas A. Spence, to be propounded to the several witnesses examined, which were propounded to them, and their depositions are in answer to the said questions or such of them as were propounded.

The Honorable Thomas A Spence was present by his attorney, Samuel A. Graham, throughout the examination. Lewis T. H. Irving, Esq., as attorney for Honorable John R. Franklin, was present also during the entire examination.

Not completing the examination of the witnessess on the 24th, he adjourned the examination to ten o'clock the next morning, Thursday the 25th, and having met, in pursuance of said adjournment, he proceeded with the examination and taking the depositions of witnesses as on the preceding day in the presence of the same attorneys.

The depositions were written by Joseph H. Smith, Clerk, 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 exam-