

ground that he was in favor of supplying to the Government men and money?

A. I do not know on what ground, I never heard him say.

Q. You have had frequent conversations with Mr. Franklin during the war, have you ever heard him express any gratification at the triumph of the Federal over the Confederate arms?

A. I have not.

Q. During the whole war have you ever heard him express a regret at the defeat of the Federal arms?

A. I have not.

Q. During the war haven't your sympathies been with the Southern Confederacy?

A. Entirely.

The above has been read to me and is correct.

GEO. M. UPSHUR.

Attested to and written by Henry Page, *Clerk*.

George W. Covington, a witness produced for the claimant, being duly sworn, answers and says, to special interrogatories addressed to last witness, and filed as of this day.

1st.

A. I have no knowledge of the conversation spoken of by Mr. Richardson.

2nd.

A. I have had several private conversations with Mr. Franklin; in the only conversation before the war, he said there was no constitutional right of secession, and if there was such a right at all it was a revolutionary one; this occurred in Berlin; since January, 1864, I have resided in Snow Hill; during that time I have often conversed quite freely with Mr. Franklin respecting the war; he has always to me avowed himself a Union man, and insisted he was such, but has always insisted that the war was not the proper means to bring back the States to the Union, but rather feared that the prosecution of the war would tend to the downfall of