

DEPOSITION *D*Case of *James H. Freeman*, *Ch* No. 552047

On this *10* day of *September*, 1897, at
Baltimore, county of _____
State of *MD*, before me, *Chas Stauch*, a
special examiner of the Bureau of Pensions, personally appeared *Mary*
E. Jackson, who, being by me first duly sworn to
answer truly all interrogatories propounded to her during this special
examination of aforesaid claim for pension, deposes and says: That her
age is *59* years; post-office address, *138 Chestnut St*
Baltimore MD; occupation, *Housekeeper*,

I have known Mr Freeman ever since, I
was quite a young girl, and before the
war I know he kept a night school for I
was one of his scholars, and he had excel
lent eye sight then, On his return home I met
him the same day before he had reached his
own home, my husband and Mr Freeman were
great friends and meeting him brot him home
sent for his wife and I prepared supper for
all, I dont recall at that time any trouble
with his eyes, but not long after he was
again at my house, and he was known as
a most excellent reader, and I heard him
say to my husband "Darn I believe I am
getting old I believe there is something
the matter with my eyes, and from that
I noticed he made more and more complaints
growing worse and worse,

I know nothing about a strap hitting
him in the eye I never heard of it,
I remember my husband persuaded him
finally to go to the hospital and have
something done for his eyes and then
would go every time nearly with him,
his eyes were very painful and he had
great difficulty in seeing so my husband
went with him to keep him company and as a