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present and saw his first wife die, dressed and laid her out and attended her funeral.

Louisa Jones of Baltimore, Md. testified Aug. 20, 1891, that she was intimately acquainted with James E. Bowen, deceased, and his first wife for many years before her death.

Affiant further states that she was at the residence of said James E. Bowen at the time his first wife died and saw her dead body and helped prepare the same for burial; that James E. Bowen remained a widower for some time before he married the claimant.

Mary Cumby of Baltimore, Md. testified May 22, 1891, that she saw the dead body of Margaret Bowen, wife of James E. Bowen; that she died in Baltimore, Md. about 13 or 14 years ago; that James E. Bowen was never married prior to his marriage to said Margaret Bowen.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

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