

DEPOSITION D.Case of Annie Ballard, No. 576.865

On this 28 day of March, 1895, at 209 W. Hill St., County of Baltimore, State of Maryland, before me, C. A. Halley, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared Joseph Harris, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: I was born in 1839. Occupation, musician. Residence, 209 W. Hill Street, Baltimore, Md. My correct name is Joseph Harris, but some call me, "Joe." I have known Annie Benson since about ten years before the war. After the war, while I was living at 65 Welcome Alley, she was a frequent visitor to my house, being acquainted with my wife and me. Henry Thomas, who came to my house as a sailor boarded with me some four or five months, may be longer. I think I remember his saying that he was going to marry Annie, but I never saw them married. I remember Annie said she was going to get married. I heard that they were living as husband and wife but they did not live in my house that I remember. I heard her call him husband, and he mostly called her "baby." I don't know how long they lived together, I know it was not long, it might have been a year and a half. I don't know why they parted. I never heard anything