

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Maryland, County of Allegany ss:

In the matter of Benjamin Ford Pearson of Josephine Smith, widow of Alfred Smith, 1st Reg. Cav. U.S.C. Troops

ON THIS 17th day of August A. D. 1891; personally appeared before me

a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths,

Henry H. Keady, aged 50 years, a resident of Hagerstown

in the County of Washington and State of Maryland,

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That I am a Lawyer by profession and occupation and am also the President of the Second National Bank of Hagerstown and am now in Allegany City Md. on a short vacation.

[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

I know Josephine Smith whom I saw yesterday in this City. She formerly lived in Hagerstown, Md. and was a servant in my family at times for about 12 or 14 years. She left Hagerstown about 8 or 10 years ago. I also knew her husband Alfred Smith, he also worked at times for me I know them both from about 1866. They were husband and wife, there is no question in my mind on that subject - they lived together as husband and wife, recognized each other as such and were so recognized in the community in which they lived and raised a family of children as such and have to my knowledge a home of each as husband and wife. It is Post Office address is Hagerstown Md.

He further declare that he has no interest in said case and is not concerned in its prosecution.

Henry H. Keady

(If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.)

(Signature of Affiant.)