as stated in said several exceptions are prayed to be considered as incorporated into this Bill of exceptions. the caveator further to maintain the issues on his part joined proved by Lewis Shaffer a competent witness that Aaron Stockdale was accustomed to stay very much at home and that on a very cold Saturday in January 1860 or 1861 he saw Aaron Stockdale going home from the direction of Brown's meeting house and that he believed that Jacob Hildebrand one of said subscribing witnesses was in the neighborhood at or about the time he saw said Stockdale. The caveator then offered evidence by competent witnesses of the declarations of said Aaron Stockdale made in June 1861 and at subsequent times, that he had made a will, and offered evidence tending to prove that the said Aaron Stockdale declared what disposition he had made of his property or meant to make of his property, and that said declarations substantially conformed to the dispositions contained in said will offered in evidence. The caveator then further proved by Cornelius Dracost a competent witness that he was well acquainted with Jacob A. Forger and Reuben A Forger two of the said subscribing witnesses, that he was familiar with the handwriting of them both that their signatures resembled each other very much and that the witness believed their signatures to said will as attesting witnesses to be genuine and proved by said witness that the said Reuben Forger was seized with the illness whereof he died about the twentieth of January 1861 and further offered to prove by said witness that a short time before said Reuben A Forger was taken with said illness he said to the witness "Old Mr Stockdale has made a will now, and at the same time Jacob A. Forger the other subscribing witness aforesaid remarked "I wrote a will once" but the Court refused to permit the said declarations of Robert A. Forger and Jacob A. Forger or either of them to be given in evidence to which ruling and refusal to admit

said testimony the caveator by his counsel excepted and prayed the Court to sign and seal this Bill of exceptions which is accordingly done this 16th day of September 1869

(Seal)
Wm. N. Hayden (Seal)
E. Hammond (Seal)
by his Counsel

Thereupon to wit, on the 22d March 1871 the caveator prays an appeal to the Court of Appeals of the State of Maryland from the verdict of the jury so as aforesaid rendered and to him it is granted.

Thereupon on the 8th day of May 1871 the caveator aforesaid by his attorneys aforesaid files in Court here the following order to wit

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this cause to the Court of Appeals
Wm. M. Merrick

State of Maryland, Howard County Set.
I hereby certify that the aforegoing is truly taken from the record of the proceedings of the Circuit Court for Howard County in the above cause
In Testimony whereof I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Howard County this 22nd day of May A D. 1871
Seal
Wm. W. Wallis Clk.

And now come into Court here as well the said Elizabeth Stockdale et al by Wm M Merrick Esqr their Attorney as the said A. M. Cullison et al. by Messrs Smith & Parson their Attorney's and thereupon, on motion of the said A. M. Cullison et al by their Attorneys aforesaid it is ruled by the Court here that the said Elizabeth Stockdale et al assign the errors in