Fridge & Morris, state particularly all you remember to have heard him say on the subject.

2d. Look upon the paper writing now shewn you, marked Exhibit B, (and which was filed with the Commissioners in this case on the 22d day of September 1841) In whose hand writing is the same, was your brother Lewis consulted and employed by the said George C. M'Coull in relation to said purchase and is he now alive.

J. Glenn for Compt.

Robert M'Coull and others,
vs.
George C. M'Coull & William Morris

In Chancery, Commission.

By virtue of the annexed Commission issued out of the High Court of Chancery of Maryland to Benjamin C. Prestman and Frederick Pinkney directed empowering them to examine evidences in the above cause, We Benjamin C. Prestman and Frederick Pinkney do hereby certify that having met on the eighteenth day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty one, and given notice to the parties did appoint the twenty second day of September in the year aforesaid at the office of James Mason Campbell in the City of Baltimore to examine evidences on the part of the Complainant.

On which twenty second day of September eighteen hundred and forty one the Commission met at the place appointed and took the following depositions on the part of the Complainant at the instance and request of the Complainants solicitor.

William Morris a witness of lawful age produced sworn and examined on the part of the complainant to the interrogatories propounded to him deposeth as follows.

To the first interrogatory he answers, That he (the deponent) and the late Alexander Fridge did sell property situated in the City of Baltimore at the corner of Douglass Street and what was to be called Friendship Street, and produces Exhibit X as said contract of sale (which is herewith filed.

To the second interrogatory he says that it belonged to Robert M'Coull the father of George one of the defendants it was first mortgaged by said Robert to Fridge and Morris for the benefit of his creditors and was afterwards sold for their benefit and bought in by the said Fridge and Morris for the same benefit.

To the third interrogatory he says that it was the decided impression of deponent that George C. M'Coull purchased of deponent for the benefit of said M'Coulls father and his family deponent was pleased that the father had such a son and under the impression first mentioned agreed to sell it at a lower price that he otherwise would have done.

To the fourth interrogatory he says that Alexander Fridge attended to the negotiation on behalf of himself and deponent, the business of deponent requiring him at that time to be almost constantly out of town, Alexander Fridge is dead and deponent has found among the papers of the said Fridge the letters herewith filed and marked exhibits V. W. Z. the endorsement of the writers name and of the place and time of writing are in the handwriting of Alexander Fridge.

To the fifth interrogatory, he answers that he had made prior to the

proposition which was accepted an offer which was rejected, this was about twelve months previous deponent thinks the first offer was for about sixteen hundred dollars but he cannot be positive.

To the sixth interrogatory he answers and says, yes he did.

The examination of witnesses here closed and the commission adjourned to meet at the same place on Saturday the 25th day of September 1841 at which place and time the commission met and took the following depositions.

Thomas G. Ritter a witness of lawful age being produced sworn & examined on the part of the Complainants to the interrogatories propounded to him deposes as follows.

To the first Interrogatory he answers and says that he he is the Secretary of the Fireman Insurance Company.

To the second Interrogatory he answers and says that on the thirty first day of May eighteen hundred and thirty nine there was a policy of insurance issued to George C. M'Coull and whom it may concern on four frame dwelling houses on Forrest Street east side being the first houses north of the corner house on Douglass street the said policy was renewed twice the first time on the thirteth day of May eighteen hundred and forty for one year and the second time on the twenty ninth day of May eighteen hundred and forty one for one year also.

Henry P. Dulhurst a witness of lawful age being produced sworn & examined on the part of the Complainant to the interrogatories propounded to him deposes as follows.

To the first Interrogatory he answers and says that he is a Clerk in the office of the Firemans Insurance Company and was a Clerk in the same in the years eighteen hundred and thirty nine and eighteen hundred and forty and at this time is a Clerk there.

To the second interrogatory he answers and says that he left the notice for the renewal of the policy of insurance enquired of in the second interrogatory at a two story frame house on the south side of Gay street being the first frame house east of Potter street and occupied as a cabinet makers shop the notice for renewal of policies of insurance is generally left from ten days to two weeks before the expiration of the policy.

Septimus Thompson a witness of lawful age being produced sworn & examined on the part of the Complainant to the interrogatories propounded to him deposes as follows.

To the first interrogatory he answers and says that he has seen Robert M'Coull Jr one of the complainants offer to George C. M'Coull one of the defendants the sum of thirteen dollars and seventy five cents in silver and that the said offer was made on this twenty fifth day of September eighteen hundred and forty one the purpose for which the said offer was made is contained in a paper with the signature of Robert M'Coull Jr which he the said Robert handed to the said George at the same time he tendered the money, a copy of which paper this deponent now produces marked exhibit P. (and which is herewith filed) the deponent compared the copy with the original before the same was delivered to the said George and deponent knows is to be a true copy and