Farmer, I was in Baltimore County. I am acquainted tolerably well with the Withers property mentioned in these proceedings the Land in Lot No 6 is of a very inferior quality there is right smart of timber on it. I can hardly say what it is worth per acre I never went thought to examine it I dont know much about Lot No 5 the Turnpike Road passed along it there been along Pantners Branch but I dont know whether I have been as far as Lot No 5 or not. I dont know any thing about Lot No 4 but I believe I did cut a little timber on Lot No 3 and No 4 both. I thought Lot No 3 was worth $20 per acre having looked over said Lot Lot No 2 is not worth near as much as Lot No 3. Lot No 1 the northern Central Rail Road passes through if the Rail Road would heavy advantage to the property it might be worth $20 an acre. Walkers Scotch is on the property. I believe Lot No 7 is worth $20 an acre or was at the time Mr. Denmead sold it I had a Brother whom I would have been very much pleased to have come and bought it and I told him I considered it to be worth $20 an acre Lot No 8 is very desirable situation a very pretty situation in giving an estimate of its value that would be according as a person took a fancy I would suppose that the Bee tree lot was worth ten dollars an acre. I was called on a few weeks past to value a small farm that lies in the neighborhood and the appraisement was $130 or $14 an acre. I forgot which I know the land purchased by Mr. Richardson the purchase amounted to $5500 as I heard this purchase was some time last fall, after harvest it contained in the neighborhood of a hundred acres I know the two little farms mentioned by Mr. Bell in his testimony the place that Mr. Mackay bought is a very desirable — comparing the farms purchased by Mackay and Cross with the Withers what the latter has the preference I do not know that there would be a great deal of difference between them and the Withers property excluding from the latter lot No 8 I thought when I heard that Mr. Maccubbin paid over $20 an acre for lot No 6 that he would not make his money out of it. I believe Lot No 7 would fetch more money but Mr. Withers was to blame for its not doing so if what I heard was true there were persons that went to the sale with the intention to purchase and Mr. Withers told them that the property would not be sold as they wanted to buy it for themselves.

Cross. Examined for Complainants

Some person told me that Mr. Withers said that Lot No 7 would not be sold but I really cannot say who it was as a general thing People coming from Pennsylvania or from abroad appreciate property more highly than those who lived in that vacinity all their lives the gathering of troops and their transit through our neighborhood in April of last year caused the Public mind to be excited for a few days and things settled. However in a few days, the Bridges in our neighborhood were destroyed in April 1861 by persons sent out by the City they commenced

repairing the Bridges on the Rail Road that had been destroyed about the first of May I think I dont know how long it was before the Troops were able to pass over the Rail Roads I suppose there were some timid people in April and May of last year who did not know but that the southern Army would advance to the Pennsylvania but that impression was not entertained by any during the summer and fall there might be some few in our neighborhood who would have no objection to see them come on by the summer and fall of 1861 the public mind had entirely subsided from the excitement produced by the war.

Richard Nelson a witness of lawful age, produced sworn and examined on the part and behalf of the defendants deposes and says I reside in the 7th election district of Baltimore County, I am a Farmer and have resided at my present residence for upwards of thirty years I know a good deal of the Withers Property so far as passing along the different roads adjoining said Property considering the times I thought the sale made last fall by Mr. Denmead to be a very good sale I am not sufficiently acquainted with the unsold tracts to give an opinion as to its value. Adjourned to meet again on Monday 26th May instant at 10½ o'clk A.M.

Monday 26th May 1862.

Met Persuant to adjournment William Bull, a witness of lawful age produced sworn and examined on the part and behalf of the defendants deposes and says:

I reside 24 miles from Baltimore City. I am a Farmer my farm is just two miles from the Withers Property I am well acquainted with the Withers Property. I could hardly be able to say what the whole 200 acres would be worth on an average per acre, there is some of it that I would hardly pay the taxes for and other portions are valuable. I know that portion of it recently purchased by Mr. Cook. I am well acquainted with it. Lot No. 8 ought to be worth something like forty dollars an Acre there are good improvements on it. Lot No 6 purchased by Mr. Maccubbin I suppose ought to be worth twenty dollars an acre Lots Nos. 3, 4, and 5 comprising the Land between the Lot purchased by Maccubbin and the county road leading to Withers Mill are worth 18 dollars an acre on an average, the wood is nearly all off the track last mentioned, every bit of it except some bunches there is a certain small portion adjoining Maccubbin which has tolerable timber on it, on the balance there is nothing but bushes and Sprouts there have