The agreement referred to in the Return of the Commission and Marked Exhibit A is as follows to Wit.

Baltimore 21 Decr 1863

Dear Sir. I propose that it be agreed between us that the Commission be returned to Court forthwith and then you may procure and file with the Clerk the papers you are looking for rather than the expectancy of procuring evidence in regard to the deposition of Henry Drach the Contestee. Iam has been kept back more than a Month waiting for a paper which I offered to send it whenever a produced an Condition that proceeding would pay the Expenses this Trayle me hear from you in this subject

Yours &c Nath Williams.

We agree to the above proposition Charles H. Pitts
Edward Israel for Respondents.

The defendants Exhibit A filed with the Commissioner March 21 1863 is as follows to Wit.

A Marriage Settlement Between Paul Maurer of Baltimore City in the State of Maryland and Rachel Bond of the City and State aforesaid,

This Indenture made and entered into this 10th day of May in the year of our Lord 1852 Between Paul Maurer of the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland of the one part and Rachel Bond of the same City of the other part Whereas the said Paul Maurer and Rachel Bond are each of unprecedented of property both real and personal and Whereas a Marriage is intended shortly to be had and solemnized between between the said Paul Maurer and the said Rachel Bond upon the Contract of which Marriage the said Paul Maurer agrees for himself his Heirs executors administrators or assigns that the aforesaid Rachel Bond shall have hold and enjoy all her property both real and personal and have the same to receive rents claims due her and to sell and dispose of any or all her property both real and personal that the said Rachel Bond may be in possession of at the time of the Solemnization of the aforesaid Marriage, And the aforesaid Rachel Bond agrees for herself her heirs executors administrators or assigns that the aforesaid Paul Maurer shall have hold and enjoy all his property both real and personal and to have the same right to receive rents claims due him and to sell give away or dispose of in any manner all or any of his property both real and personal that he the said Paul Maurer was in possession of at the time of the solemnization of the aforesaid Marriage Now this Indenture Witnesseth that the true intent and meaning of this Contract is that the aforesaid Paul Maurer and Rachel Bond parties to this Contract agree each with the other that the said Paul Maurer his heirs executors administrators or assigns at the death or before or after the death of the said Rachel Bond that her property real or personal shall not be claimed in any way by the said Paul Maurer his heirs or assigns also the said Rachel Bond her heirs executors administrators or assigns at the death or before or after the death of the said Paul Maurer that his property real or personal shall not be claimed in any way by the said Rachel Bond his heirs Executors administrators or assigns. In testimony whereof the said Paul Maurer and Rachel Bond have affixed their Seals the day and year above written,

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of T. H. Hackman
Samuel Ringgold

Paul Maurer (Seal)
Rachel Bond (Seal)

State of Maryland City of Baltimore sc. I Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that on this 10 day of May 1852 before us the subscribers two Justices of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Baltimore City personally appeared Paul Maurer and Rachel Bond they known by us to be the parties named in the foregoing Marriage Contract and acknowledged the same to be their Act and deed according to the true intent and meaning thereof. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals the day and year aforesaid before mentioned T. H. Hackman (Seal)
Saml Ringgold (Seal)

Recd 14 May 1853 of grantee One dollar in lieu of Stamp under Act 1846 Ch 61
Edward Dorsey Clk

The defendants Exhibit B filed with the Commissioners March 24 in the year 1863 is as follows to Wit.

To Rachel Maurer City of Baltimore. Madam Take Notice that pursuant to the directions of an Act entitled An Act establishing a Mode to perpetuate Testimony We shall on the 23 day of May 1854 at the Alms House in Baltimore County in the State of Maryland at 4 O'clock P.M. before Walter R. Jones Esquire one of the Justices of the peace of said State in and for the said County take the deposition of Basil Root of said County for the purpose of proving the Consummation of certain Articles of Agreement between Paul Maurer and yourself dated the 10th day of May 1852, being in their Nature and import a Marriage Contract As we apprehend ourselves to be interested in proving the above Testimony and establishing the fact thereby purposed to be proved we mean at the time and place aforesaid to take the deposition of the said Basil Root when and where you are requested to be present.

Catharine A. Murray
Baltimore 27th April 1854. Signed One of the Heirs at Law of
Paul Maurer dec'd
D. W. Hall Attys for
John W. Walter other heirs.

In pursuance of the Notice hereunto annexed on this 23rd day of May in the year of our Lord 1854 at the Alms House in Baltimore County in the State of Maryland at 4 O'clock P.M. before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of said State in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Basil Root Grocer of said County who being duly sworn made Oath that he knew Paul Maurer late of Baltimore City deceased and Rachel his Wife deceased the Parties to the Indenture hereunto filed Marked A that he was present at the execution of said paper which was prepared and signed in the Office of deponent, that during the time he was preparing said Contract he had repeatedly Conversations with the said Paul Maurer in regard to the terms of his Marriage with the said Rachel Maurer that in such Conversations and once or more in the presence of the said Rachel Maurer then Rachel Bond he stated he had settled upon her including a ground rent the sum of Four thousand dollars to which statement she assented and stated that with what she had, that would be sufficient and did not any more of her property, and that the Marriage Contract was of little Consequence as she would not trouble her Estate; Sworn Before Basil Root, Walter R. Jones.