dollars to Four thousand dollars. Re-Examined
1st Interrogatory, state how many years since you had the conversation when the trustees said the indebtedness of the Church was $3000, to $4000. Answer, To my best Knowledge it has been about fifteen years. The foregoing question and answer objected to by Complainants solicitor.
Nathaniel Bowers negro, a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the defendants being duly sworn and examined to the following interrogatories deposes and says.
1st Interrogatory, Are you or not acquainted with Henry Ridgeway If so how long, Answer, I have Known him from my boyhood, some twenty or thirty years. 2nd Interrogatory, How long have you been connected with the Zion Union Wesleyan Methodist church, if you have been connected with it. Answer, From its dedecations. 3rd Interrogatory, Now state whether you were ever present, if so how often, at the reading of the annual reports of the trustees of the church, and whether those reports contained a statement of money paid Ridgeway on account of his alleged claim against the church, Answer, I have been present when such reports were read but I cannot say how often I have seen the trustees give in their reports stating that they had paid Ridgeway $500. $600 or $300 as it might be, The Trustees read these reports, 4th Interrogatory, Was Ridgeway present at and in hearing of the reading of these reports, Answer, I have seen him present at the reading of the reports and he was nearer than I was to the trustees and I heard them read. 5th Interrogatory, State how many of such reports as nearly as you can remember you heard read, in the presence and hearing of Ridgeway, Answer, That I cant say exactly, I have heard a great many of these reports read, but I cant say that Ridgeway was present at the reading of all of them. To the best of my Knowledge and recollection he was present some seven eight or nine times, All the evidence of and interrogatories propounded to this witness, objected to by Complainants Solicitor.
Cross Examined. 1st Cross Interrogatory, Have you ever held any conversation with the trustees at any time about the indebtedness of the church; and if you have state the time and the amount they said the debt of the church was, Answer, I dont recollect having any conversation with the trustees in regard to the indebtedness of the church at all.
Commission Adjourned to meet at the same hour and place on Monday the 24th day of April 1865. at which time and place the commissioner attended, but no witnesses being present to be examined the commission was Adjourned

to meet at the same hour and place on Monday the first day of May 1865, at which time and place the commissioner attended, and did proceed then and there to take the following depositions in the presence of the solicitors for the respective parties to wit;
Nathan Dorsey (negro) a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the defendants being duly sworn and examined to the following interrogatories deposes and says.
1st Inty. Are you a member of the Zion Union Wesleyan Methodist church; and if so how long have you been a member, Answer. I have been a member of that church for fifteen or sixteen years, 2nd Inty. Are you acquainted with Henry Ridgeway the complainant in this cause If so how long have you Known him, Answer, I have Known him for about fifteen or sixteen years more or less, 3rd Interrogatory, Were you ever one of the trustees of the church, Answer, I was about seven years ago a trustee for a year or two, 4th Inty. Were you ever present when the annual reports of the trustees of the church were read and if so do you remember any mention being made as those reports of the amount claimed by Ridgeway as due by the church, Answer, I was present, I have no recollection of any mention being made of the amount claimed by Ridgeway, 5th Inty. Did those reports state that any amount had been paid by the Trustees of the church to Ridgeway on account of his claim due by the church, Answer, I have heard the Trustee report that five hundred dollars had been paid at a time, 6th Inty. How many of those reports do you remember to have heard read and were they or not read in the presence and hearing of Ridgeway, Answer, I have heard some twelve or thirteen reports read during the time I speak of I think Ridgeway was in the presence and hearing of the reading of the reports, 7th Inty. And each report stated according to your recollection that the trustees had paid Ridgeway on account of his said claim how much, Answer, I cant say how much each report stated had been paid Ridgeway, Five hundred dollars was stated in each report as having been paid Ridgeway, 8th Inty. Now state to the commissioner exactly what you mean by your answer to the last question, Answer, I mean precisely whit I say Five hundred dollars in each report, 9th Inty. Do you Know what has become of those reports, Answer, I do not, 10th Inty. Do you believe from the amount that you Know have been paid Ridgeway from time to time that the church is at present in his debt, Answer, I have not had access to the books or receipts, and cant say whether the church owes him or not.
(The entire testimony of this witness objected to by complainants solicitor.) Cross Examined for Complainant. 1st Inty,