seat, arranged around it; I at my desk, the ladies there also; he read the whole of this paper to us in a clear and distinct voice, impossible for any one to misunderstand; after being read, I asked her if she understood it; she said she did; we sent for Mr. Bell, and she signed this paper; the first information I had about this transaction after that, was from Mary Maria, a short time after she married Goodwin; she came to my house and said she would like to get her property back, and asked me if I would undertake it for her as attorney, and said if I would get it back she would pay me $100. (Solicitors for complainants here object to anything being stated, that occurred between client and attorney.) And the deponent, then continuing, said: I said to her I could not take that case; that she had come of her own free will to my office; that no intimation of mind or explanation would deter her from signing it in the first instance; she did it of her own free will and against my judgment, and as she had made her bed, she would have to lie on it; with reference to the second visit to my house, detailed by Mr. Goodwin, I have no doubt she may have come there, but no conversation on this subject took place on that occasion; I further state, that there was no conversation in my office or elsewhere, that ever came to my knowledge, that this paper was anything else but a deed, and no conversation was held in my presence with Mrs. Julia A. Dainey that it was an authority for her to pay taxes and collect rents; on the contrary, the whole nature and effect of the deed was thoroughly explained to her, as any paper was to any person ever

drawn in my office; it is not true, as stated by Mary Maria Goodwin, in her answer to the 10th interrogatory, that Mr. Bannon called his clerk to bring a paper for her to sign; the paper was not prepared when he came to my office; it is not true as stated by her, that the paper was read fast; it was read clearly, slowly and distinctly with a view to a proper understanding of it; Mr Gallagher is a clear and distinct reader; I had never the paper in my hands til I handled a copy of it a year after it was filed in this case; he read so that I understood, and the only reading he made was made in her presence; it is not true, as stated by her, that she supposed she was signing a paper authorizing her aunt Julia to pay taxes and rent the land; such a paper was not mentioned to her in my office, during the time she was there; it is not true, as stated by her, this Miss Julia A. Dainey turned to Mr. Bannon and said, I am not doing this to cheat Mary Maria, and simply to have control of the place; no such remark was ever made in my office; it is not true, as stated by her, that she was asked not to say anything about it; on the contrary, she would go and tell Mr Goodwin she had conveyed the place to her aunt Julia; it is not true that Mr Bannon was told not to say anything about it, as it would not get out in the neighborhood; on the contrary, Mr Bannon did tell his wife, that very night, about it; all that part of her testimony about my inquiring if she intended to marry James L. Goodwin is not true; I made no such inquiry; on the contrary, she went into that affair voluntary, and gave the full