3 quest. How long have you known him?

Ans. All of 18 or 20 years.

4 quest. How did you become acquainted with him?

Ans. I lived in same section with him; I knew him as a boy, and he worked at the same trade I did – that of bricklayer.

5 quest. By what name did he pass when you first became acquainted with him?

Ans. I knew him by Edward Kirby when I first knew –, and until later years.

6 quest. When did you first know that he passed by J. Edward Kirby?

Ans. 1864 or 1865.

7 quest. Did you ever belong to any society with him?

Ans. Yes, sir; it was an organization of Mechanic Bricklayers' Union No. 1, of Maryland; he joined it in 1864, to the best of my knowledge; I was a member before that; by the records of the society, he joined by the name of J. Edward Kirby.

8 quest. Is this the book (marked "Respondent's Exhibit X.") to which you refer?

Ans. It is the original book; the association was organized 22nd March, 1864, I think, and I read from my entry of November the 3rd, 1864, Charles Holtz, Wm. Bowen and Hugh Hamilton were elected members on payment of $5.00 each; the following on payment of $1.00: J. E. Kirby John Ostenbaugh, Samuel T. Brown, Wm. G. Brown, Joseph G. Gill, Robert Roy, and Thomas and others.

9 quest. Is this J. E. Kirby, to which you refer, the John Edward Kirby whom you know, and of whom you have been speaking?

Ans. Yes, sir.

10 quest. Did you concur in his election?

Ans. I think I did.

10½ quest. Did he afterwards attend meetings of said association?

Ans. Yes, sir, a great number of them.

11 quest. Do you remember he was afterward elected secretary of said association?

Ans. Yes, sir; he was on August the 3rd 1865; this I find to be correct reference to the record.

12 quest. Do you know his handwriting?

Ans. Yes, sir; I have had good opportunities of knowing it.

13 quest. Look at the record of August the 3rd, 1865, and state in whose handwriting this entry is made?

Ans. I should say it is J. E. Kirby's handwriting; I am satisfied the whole of it is in his handwriting.

14 quest. Do you know whether afterward J. E. Kirby left the association?

Ans. Yes, sir.

15 quest. Do you know under what circumstances he left?

Ans. I have a very slight recollection; it has been 8 or 9 years ago; it seems to me he was expelled; he was then Secretary of the Bricklayers' National Union.

16 quest. Don't you know he was expelled?

Ans. Yes, sir; I am pretty positive he was expelled, and that expelled him from our association; I am a member of the Bricklayers' Union No. 1, of Maryland; our association withdrew from the National Union about two years ago; I was a member in 1871, of the National Union.

17 quest. Did you ever happen to see the proceedings of the 6th Annual Session of the Bricklayers' National Union, commenced at Town Hall, Pittsburg, Penn, Monday, January 9th, 1871, a printed copy of which I now show you?

(Objected to.)

Ans. Yes, sir, I have seen it, and it is likely I have read it; it was printed after the session.

("Respondent's Exhibit Z." filed)