was the property I live in now; I have lived there since I bought it; I have been paying all the expenses on it since.

3 question. The deed in this case seems not to have been recorded until March the nineteenth, 1884; please state, if you can, why said deed was not recorded before that time?

Ans. Because I never had bought a house, and didn't know whether a deed had to go into a record office or not; when I bought the house my vessel was in New York; I came here and asked Captain Marchant if he would sell me his house, and he told me he would, and I had no time, to stay long in Baltimore; I left one or two days after I had bought the house; I left it in Captain Marchant's hands to fix the papers.

Cross-Examined by Mr. Pollard.

1 x question. Did you see Mrs. Marchant in the transaction, or pay her any money?

x ans. I saw Mrs. Marchant in regard to the sale; I mentioned it to her first, before I ever saw Captain Marchant, but I never paid any money to her; all the money I paid to Captain Marchant; he was not in the city at first.

question by the Examiner: Do you know, or can you state, any other matter or thing which may be of benefit or advantage to the parties to this cause or either of them, or that may be material to the subject of this your examination, or the matters in question between the parties; if yes, state the same fully and at large in your answer?

Ans. No, sir. Charles Abergh.

No other witnesses be named or produced to me, I then, at the request of the solicitors of the respective parties, closed these depositions, and now return them closed, under my hand and seal, on this tenth day of February,

in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-five, at the City of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland.

H. Stockbridge, Jr., (Seal.)
Examiner.

There are two exhibits with these depositions, to wit:
Plaintiff's Exhibits Depositions Nos. 1 and 2.

H. Stockbridge, Jr.
Examiner.

Plaintiff's Exhibit Depositions No. 1.
(Filed with the Examiner Nov. 12th 1884.
H. Stockbridge, Jr.,
Examiner.)

Release from Tyler & Brother, &c,
to
John R. Marchant,

This release, made this seventeenth day of March, A. D. 1884, by the undersigned, creditors of John R. Marchant, of Baltimore city, in the State of Maryland:

Whereas the said John R. Marchant is indebted to said undersigned in various sums of money, which he is at this time unable to pay.

And whereas, it has been agreed and contracted by and between the parties hereto, that said John R. Marchant should assign and convey all his property and assets to a trustee or agent, to be selected by said creditors, to be disposed of for their benefit, upon the express understanding and condition that he should be fully and entirely released from any claim or demand owing by him to any one or all of said undersigned.

And whereas, said creditors have selected Charles Tyler, of said city, one of said creditors, as such trustee or agent.

And whereas, said John R. Marchant has executed and