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William P. Maulsby and Harry M. Clabaugh, Trustees, and Others, vs Jesse H. Haugh and Wife, and Others.	No 2258. In the Circuit Court for Carroll County, sitting in Equity.

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in Equity:

The undersigned, Jos. W. Parke, Examiner of evidence for said Court, respectfully certifies and returns, that being notified by the plaintiffs in said cause, by leave of your said Court, of their desire to have evidence taken before me as Examiner in the above cause, I did accordingly fix on Thursday, the 25th of March, 1886, at 10. O'clock, A. M., at the Court House in Westminster, Carroll county, Maryland, as the time and place for taking such evidence, of which the solicitors of the defendants were duly notified by me; and that I did accordingly attend at said time and place for said ~~place~~ purpose, and did then and there, in the presence of the solicitors for the plaintiffs, and the solicitors for the defendants, proceed to take the following deposition and evidence in said cause, to wit:

Manoah Metz, a witness of lawful age, produced on the part of the plaintiffs, being duly summoned, sworn and examined viva voce to the interrogatories propounded to him orally by plaintiffs' solicitors, deposes and says as follows, to wit;

I am one of the defendants in this cause; I do know Jesse H. Haugh and Margaret A., his wife, two of the other defendants; I reside at Smithsburg, Washington county, Md., and have resided there for 15 years last past; said Jesse H. Haugh and wife, during the same

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time, have resided at Taneytown, Carroll County, Md; the distance between Taneytown and Smithsburg, is, I suppose, between 30 and 40 miles; they are connected by railroad; I am a brother-in-law of said Margaret A. Haugh, being the husband of her sister; her maiden name was Margaret A. Duburrow; I came to Westminster, Md., from Smithsburg, on the 9th of May, 1883, and met Jesse H. Haugh and said Margaret A., his wife, at a hotel in Westminster, and went with them from said hotel to the office of Messrs. Reifsnider and Fink in said town; I came there to meet them by agreement with them; that agreement was made in Smithsburg between said Jesse H. Haugh and myself; do not think that Mrs. Haugh was present when said agreement was made; it was one or two days before the 9th of May, 1883; on the day said agreement was made, said Jesse H. Haugh came to Smithburg, and proposed to sell me his property in Taneytown, described in the deed of that date to me; after speaking over it and talking for a day, after talking over it, I agreed to meet him and his wife in Westminster, on the 9th of May, 1883; he remained, I think, in Smithsburg, about 3 or 4 days - it may have been a day more or a day less; he did not particularly state to me why he wanted to sell his property to me, more than that he had some debts he wanted to pay, and could use the money to good advantage; I don't remember that he said to whom the debts he wanted to pay, or any of them, were due; he did not at that time mention the name of his wife at all in connection with the sale of said property that I have any recollection of; he did not