state any reason to me why he called on me to buy the property, more than the reason heretofore stated; I came down from Smithsburg to Westminster on the cars, on said 9th of May, and arrived at Westminster about 10. O'clock A.M.; I think said Jesse H. met me at the depot, and took me to the hotel where his wife was; it may have been an hour, or perhaps half an hour, that I, said Jesse H. and his said wife, remained together at said hotel before going to the office of Messrs. Reifsnider and Fink; nothing in particular was said between us at said hotel, more than we talked of the sale of said property which Mr. Haugh had made to me, and we were going to have the deed for it made to me; we then went to said office; Messrs. Reifsnider and Fink had been selected by said Haugh and wife as their attorneys; after we went to said attorneys' office, before anything more was done, I went with Mr. Fink to the County Clerk's office for the purpose of examining the docket to see if the property was clear of incumbrances on it; we found nothing against it; I then returned to said attorneys' office; the deed was drawn by either Mr. Reifsnider or Mr. Fink, and after it was done, was acknowledged before a Magistrate at said office, who had been sent for; after that was completed, I paid Jesse H. Haugh thirty-five hundred dollars in United States Government bonds, bearing 4 per cent, I think; I received the deed, and I don't remember anything special occurring outside of what I have stated, except that Mrs. Haugh rented the property from me that I had bought, by a written article of agreement prepared by Mr. Reifsnider which I have not with me, but is at Smittsburg, and which I will send by mail to Mr. Reifsnider, to be

delivered to the Examiner, to be filed as part of this my evidence; I returned to Smithsburg that same evening; I have no knowledge of what said Jesse H. Haugh did with said bonds on that occasion; I did not see said Jesse H. Haugh deliver said bonds to his wife on that occasion; to the best of my recollection, said Haugh, his wife and I were in said attorneys' office on that occasion for about two hours, but some of us went out and in occasionally; Mr. Reifsnider at that time was very busy, and I talked with him very little; Mr. Fink prepared the deed and attended to the business principally; Mr. Reifsnider prepared the said agreement of rent; both of them were very busy that day, which is the reason why we were at said office so long; I have looked at the papers now shown me, marked "B 36. fol. 14," and I have no recollection that the endorsement on said paper of "1883. May 9th," of a receipt by Margaret A. Haugh of $4,147.50, was made in my presence at that time; (it is here admitted by Mr. Reifsnider, solicitor of defendants, that said endorsement is in his handwriting and was made by him;) I left said office before said Jesse H. Haugh and wife, and I think went somewhere and got something to eat, and then went to the train to return to Smithsburg; that train left Westminster between 5 and 6 O'clock P.M.; I was at the station a half an hour or an hour, perhaps, before the train; it may have been a shorter or a longer time; said Haugh and wife came down on that occasion in a private conveyance, I think, but am not certain; I don't know that I saw said Haugh and wife again that evening, after leaving said attorneys' office; said Jesse H. Haugh told me that he had given the said bonds which I give to him to his said wife in consideration