

DEPOSITION *H*

Case of *Melia Johnson*, No. *253,678*

On this *5th* day of *May*, 188*8*, at *Baltimore*, County of *W. Brooks*, State of *Maryland*, before me, *W. Brooks*, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *Thomas*, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: *My age is 60 years*

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I am not related to *Clat*, and I did not become acquainted with her until her late husband came to work at *St. Mithy's Optical Printing House*, where I was then and am now employed. Her husband and I worked thus together for about eight years or more about the winter before his death. - And the way I first formed an intimate acquaintance with him was, by him coming to my house to see my *Wife* who was sick. She and several more members of the same church.

When he came to work there the first season he began wheeling and during that time I was sheathing *eyeglasses*, and heard no complaint from him but the next fall, when the season began, *Clat* complained of his back, of a weakness in his kidneys, and the boss put him to shucking. - *Samuel Melhorn* was then the boss. From that time on