

State of Virginia - Rockingham County - To wit -

In the County Court of the said County -

The jurors of the Commonwealth of Virginia in and for the body of the County of Rockingham and now attending the said Court - upon their oath present - that Frank Dove on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year 1893, in the said County, in and upon the body of Charles C. Crist, did wilfully, unlawfully, maliciously and feloniously make an assault; and then and there him the said Charles C. Crist did wilfully, unlawfully, maliciously, and feloniously strike, beat, bruise, and wound; with intent then and there him the said Charles C. Crist to wilfully, unlawfully, maliciously and feloniously maim, disfigure, disable, and kill against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Virginia. This indictment is found on the testimony of Charles C. Crist, J. F. Crist, ~~J. F. Crist~~ ~~Lang~~ + John Furness, witnesses sworn in Court and sent before the Grand Jury to give evidence -



Commencement  
of 3rd District  
Thomas Dovel  
for answer with  
intent to murder  
disfigure, disable  
and kill  
A true bill  
Wm Foreman  
Foreman

We the jury find the prisoner Thomas Dovel  
not guilty of maliciously but guilty of  
unlawfully striking, beating, bruising and  
wounding Charles LeBrit, with intent to maim  
disfigure disable and kill in manner and  
form as charged in the indictment, and  
ascertain the term of his confinement in the  
County Jail at five months and the amount  
of his fine at fifty dollars

Wm Foreman Foreman

~~We the Jurors find the Prisoner  
guilty of unlawfully striking  
C. Christ & therefore impose  
a fine of \$50.~~

We the Jurors find the prisoner  
guilty of unlawfully striking  
C. Christ and therefore impose  
a fine of fifty dollars and  
five months in the County Jail



VIRGINIA,

THE TOWN OF HARRISONBURG, TO-WIT:  
To the Chief of Police of said Town---

WHEREAS, *J. F. Crist*  
of the said Town, has this day made complaint and information on oath, before me, D. M. SWIT-  
ZER, Mayor of the said Town, that ~~Frank Dovel~~ *Jeremiah Dovel Jr*

*in the County of Rockingham Virginia, & within 2 miles of the*  
*Corporate Limits* of said town, did ~~unlawfully~~ *unlawfully*, maliciously and felo-  
niously in and upon the body of Charles C.  
Crist make an assault and then and there  
harm the said ~~Charles C.~~ *Crist*, did unlawfully  
maliciously and feloniously strike him,  
bruise & wound, with intent then and there  
harm the said Charles C. Crist to unlawfully  
maliciously & feloniously maim, disfigure  
disable & Kill.

THESE ARE, THEREFORE, in the name of the Commonwealth, to command you forth-  
with to apprehend and bring before me, or some other Justice, the body of the said

*Jeremiah Dovel Jr*  
to answer the said complaint, to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under my hand and seal this *28* day of *Aug* 1893

*D. M. Switzer* [L. S.]  
Mayor of the said Town.



Case heard on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August 1893 and  
the prisoner Frank Dovel was sent on  
to answer any indictment that may  
be found against him at the Novem-  
ber Term 1893 of the County Court  
of Rockingham County. Given un-  
der my hand this the 28<sup>th</sup> of Aug-  
1893.

J. M. Switzer

Executed Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> 1893 by arresting  
the within named Frank Dovel and  
taking him before J. M. Switzer M. J. H.

John Long C. P.

K. L. Knight

J. H. Knight

Switzer -



Virginia

Rockingham County to wit.

Be it remembered, that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1893 Jeremiah Dorel Frank Dorel and Jeremiah Dorel of the said County came before me D.M. Switzer Mayor of the Town of Haysanburg Va. and severally and respectively acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Commonwealth of Virginia, in manner and form following, that is to say: The said Frank Dorel and Jeremiah Dorel jointly & severally in the sum of one hundred dollars to be made and used of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements to the use of the Commonwealth of Virginia if the said Frank Dorel shall make default in performance of the condition underwritten.

The condition of the above recognizance is such that if the above named Frank Dorel do and shall personally appear before the County Court of Rockingham on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the November Term 1893, there and then to answer for and answering any indictment that may be found against him for perjury



↖ malicious assault & battery upon  
the Charles Cist and shall not  
depart thence without leave of said  
Court then the above recognizance  
shall be void, else to remain  
in full force and virtue

Taken and acknowledged

before me in said County

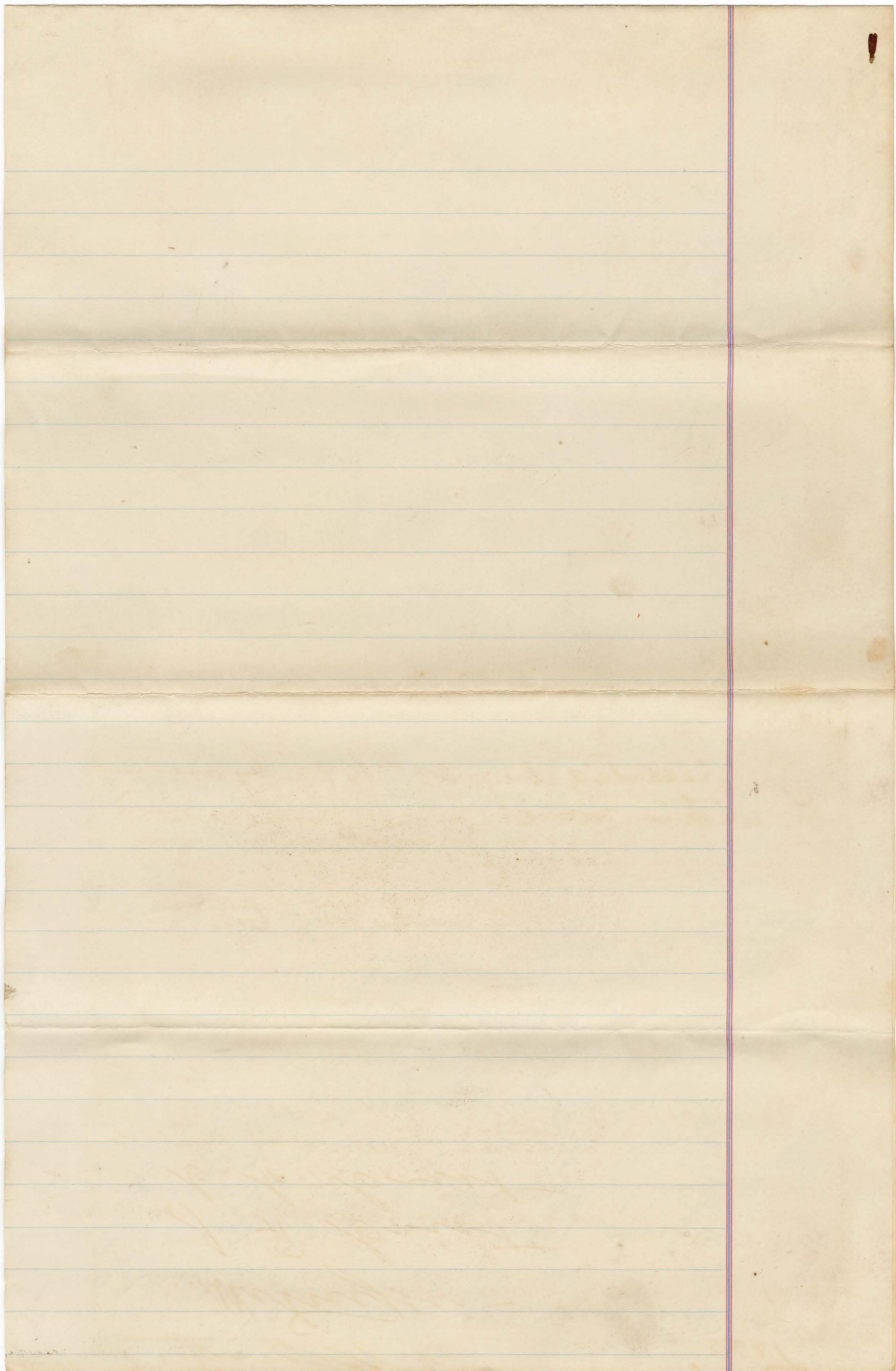
the day & year first

above written

J. M. Switzer

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H. W. BERTRAM  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

Jany. 20, 1925.

J. W. Keiter, Esq.,  
Dayton, Va.

Dear Sir;

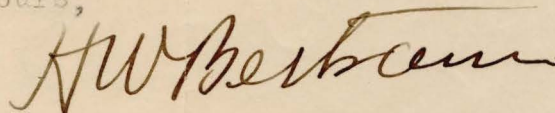
Mr. Sneal informs me that you want an affidavit from him before you remove the case of Keister vs Snell to the Circuit Court. In this you are in error. Section 6017 of 1919 Code increases the amount from \$20.00 to \$50.00 and does away with the affidavit of substantial defense.

Judge Burks in his address on the Code of 1919 states the reasons both for raising the amount and for dispensing with the affidavit. He says as to the affidavit that they were often made promiscuously and when the case came for trial no defense was made. See also Revisor's notes to Sec. 6015.

All Mr. Sneal has to do is to pay the costs and the writ tax and request the removal, all of which he informs me he has done.

Kindly forward the papers to the Clerk of the Circuit Court as the statute provides.

Very truly yours,





H. W. BERTRAM  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
HARRISBURG, VIRGINIA

July 20, 1925.

Dear Sir:

Mr. [Name] informs me that you want an affidavit from his  
before you remove the case of [Name] vs [Name] to the Circuit Court.  
In this you are in error. Section 5017 of 1919 Code increases the amount  
from \$200 to \$500 and does away with the affidavit of substantial  
defense.

Judge [Name] in his address on the Code of 1919 states the reasons  
both for raising the amount and for dispensing with the affidavit. He  
states in the affidavit that they were often made prospectively and

*H. W. Bertram*



IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

TO THE SHERIFF OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY---GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon

*Jehu Long + John Feamynough.*  
*D. M. Lutzger + Wm R. Bowman*

to appear before the Judge of the County Court of Rockingham County, at the Court-House, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the *6<sup>th</sup>* day of this *November* Court next, being the *25<sup>th</sup>* day of *November* 1893, to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against *Frank Lovel*

who stands charged with and indicted for

*Felony*

And this *they* shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.

Witness, JOSEPH S. MESSERLEY, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-House, the *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *November*, 1893, and in the 118<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*J. S. Messerley*, Clerk.



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Commonwealth  
@ 3 Spa  
Frank Dovel

John Long  
John Framingham  
D. M. Switzer  
Wm R. Dorman

To the 6<sup>th</sup> day November  
being Nov 25, 1893.

Spicited Nov 22/93's on John Long N. M.  
Ludger Wm R. Dorman

J. A. Nicholas  
for V. H. Dorman S. P. C.



IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

TO THE SHERIFF OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY---GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon *John Fearneyhough*

to appear before the Judge of the County Court of Rockingham County, at the Court-House, at 10 o'clock, a. m., on the *6* day of this *November* Court next, being the *25* day of *November* 1893, to testify and the truth to say in behalf of the Commonwealth against *Frank Dovel,*

who stands charged with and indicted for *Felony*  
And this *he* shall not omit under the penalty of £100. And have then and there this Writ.

Witness, JOSEPH S. MESSERLEY, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-House, the *20* day of *November*, 1893, and in the 118<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

*J. S. Messerley*, Clerk.



John Freeman Hughes



## To the Sheriff of Rockingham County.

The following list of persons of the County of Rockingham, residing remote from the place where the offence is charged to have been committed, and in other respects qualified to serve as Jurors, is furnished you, from which you shall take the Veniremen summoned by you to serve as Jurors upon the trial of Frank Dovel

charged with felony, set for the 6 day of the November Term, 1893, of the County Court of the County aforesaid, being the 25 day of November, 1893

- |                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Samuel G. Simmons      | 13 Daniel Myers.   |
| 2 S. P. Rizenberger      | 14 Joseph Brunk.   |
| 3 Jacob Keste            | 15 J. L. McNett.   |
| 4 John H. Trobaugh Jr.   | 16 George Beagon   |
| 5 Daniel H. Ules         | 17 John L. Colson  |
| 6 Martin L. Ruther junr. | 18 James Coanings  |
| 7 Isaac Hilbert          | 19 W. T. Denton    |
| 8 John H. Eppard         | 20 J. R. Chalkbuck |
| 9 David Wenger           | 21 S. D. Moyer     |
| 10 Jacob Clayton         |                    |
| 11 Ebenezer Stucley      |                    |

Geo. P. Gattan





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IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

TO THE SHERIFF OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY--GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon *Twenty* persons of the County of Rockingham, to be taken from a list furnished by ~~the Judge~~ of the County Court of Rockingham, residing remote from the place where the offence is charged to have been committed, and qualified in all other respects, to serve as Jurors, to attend and appear before the County Court of Rockingham County, at the Court House, on the *6<sup>th</sup>* day of the *November* Court ~~next~~, being the *25<sup>th</sup>* day of *November* 18*93* to serve as Jurors upon the trial of *Frank Dovel* charged with felony.

And this they shall in no wise omit, under the penalty of £100. And have then and there the names of said persons and this writ.

Witness, *J. S. Messerley*, Clerk of our said Court, at the Court House, the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *November* 18*93*, and in the 11*8*th year of the Commonwealth.

*J. S. Messerley* Clerk.

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Commonwealth

of *Wm. S. Sias*  
Frank K. Dovel

Executed by summons all the persons  
named in the list herewith returned  
Nov. 25. 1893.

J. A. McArthur  
for the State

To 6th day of November 1893  
being Nov. 25. 1893



Commonwealth

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Frank. Dovel

Samuel G. Simmes.

Jacob Leake

John H. Torbough Jr

Daniel H. Allen x

Martin L. Rutherford.

Isaac Dilkent.

John H. Eppard x

David Menger x

Jacob Clayton

Ebenezer Kucieley x

Joseph Brunk.

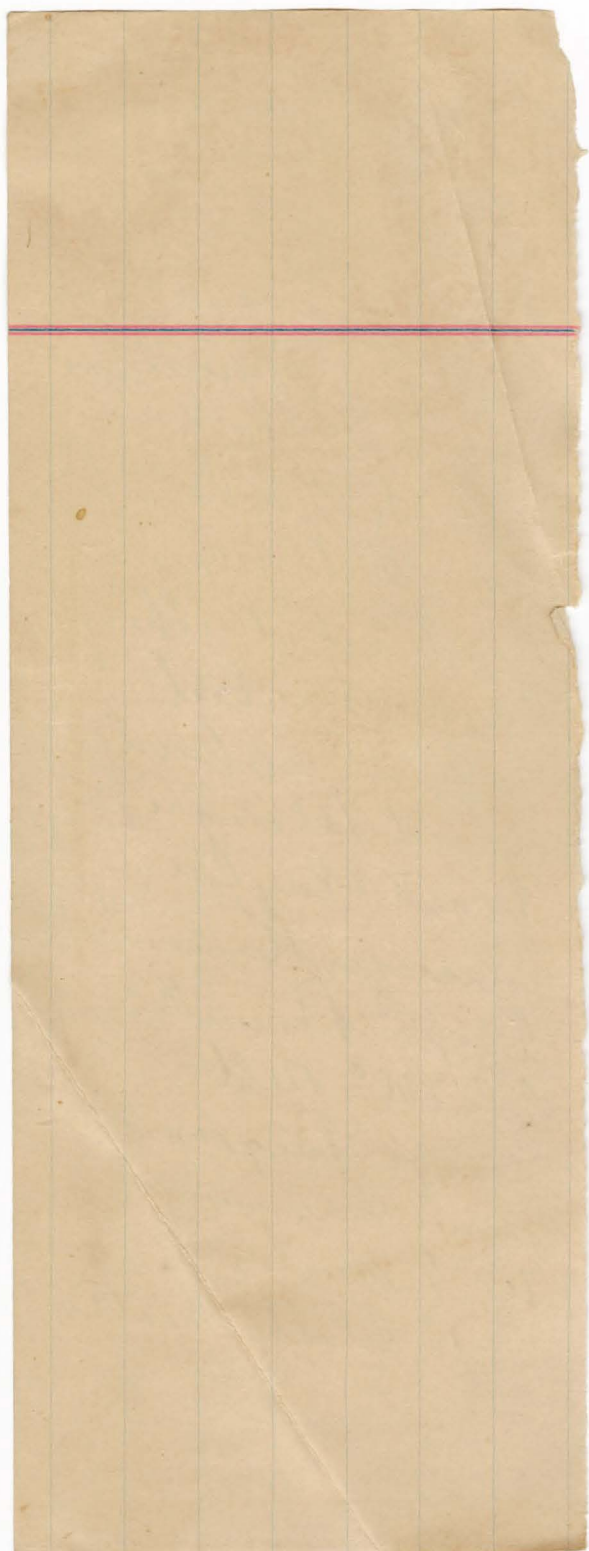
J. H. McNett.

George Begom

James Cummins

W. T. Denton.

J. R. Watterbuck.





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Frank. Dovel

Filed September 2. 1893  
G. S. Messuley  
clerk

