

The deposition of William James taken on the 15 day of Oct 1879 at the law Office of J. B. & P. B. Thompson Harrodsburg Ky to be read as evidence for & in behalf of F. M. Crossfield upon Cross petition in an action now pending in the Mercer County Common Pleas wherein Wm Hamilton is Reff and T. S. Smith &c are Defendants Witness being of lawful age first duly sworn states as follows.

Examined by Atty for F. M. Crossfield
I reside in Woodford County Ky and am 56 years of age was acquainted with Wm Hamilton Deed, and am acquainted with F. M. Crossfield Am acquainted with the land in controversy. I rented said land from F. M. Crossfield during the years 1869 1870 & 1871 at for Crop rent and improvements. In 1871 I rented said land from Wm Hamilton for the year 1872 at the price of \$120⁰⁰ this renting took place while I was the tenant of F. M. Crossfield. Hamilton sent for me to come to rent said land and I rented said land at his solicitation without the knowledge of Crossfield. I occupied said land three years I paid Hamilton \$150⁰⁰ per year rent for said land for the last two years that I had of it.