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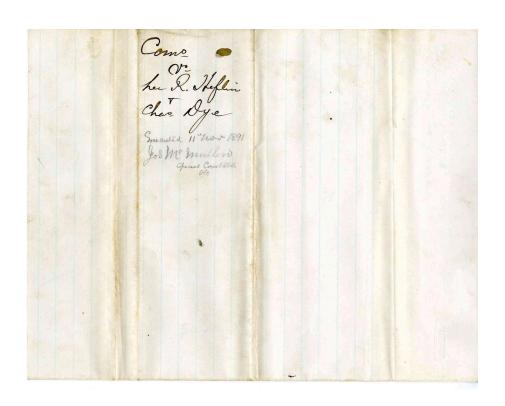
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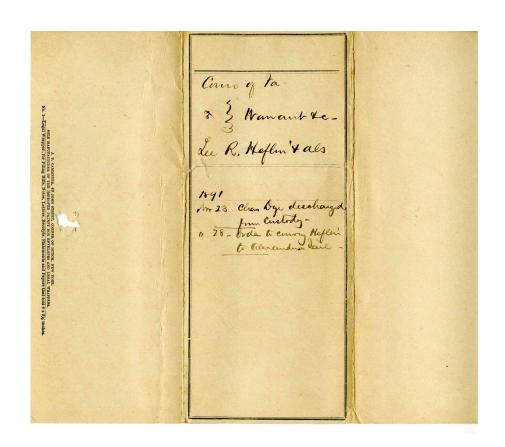
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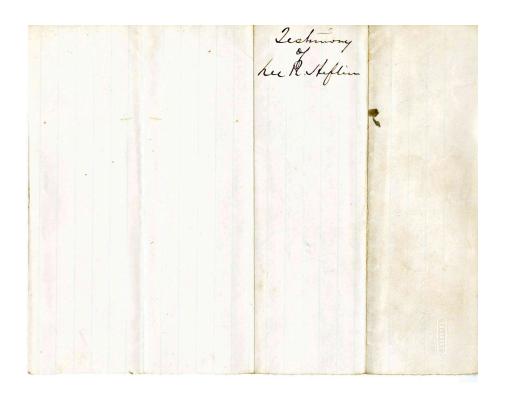
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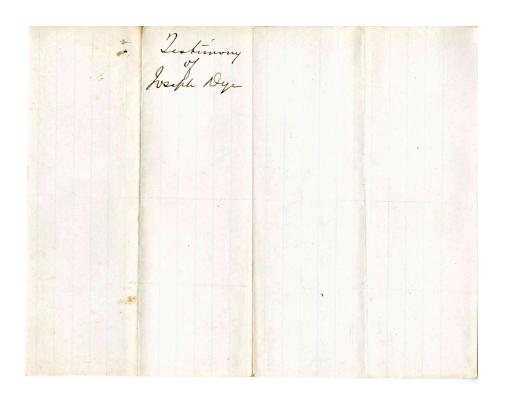
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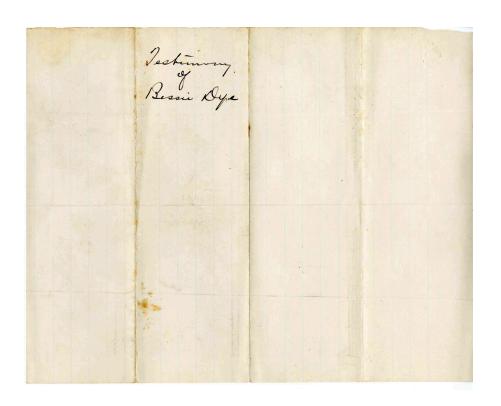


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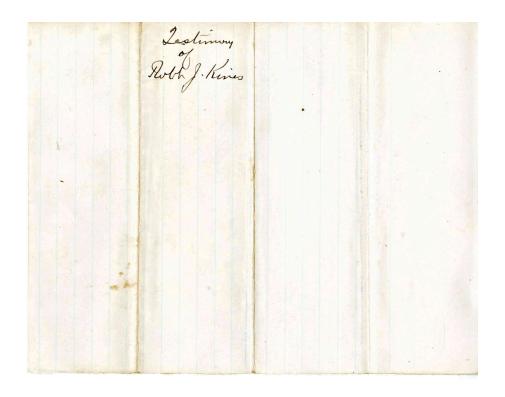
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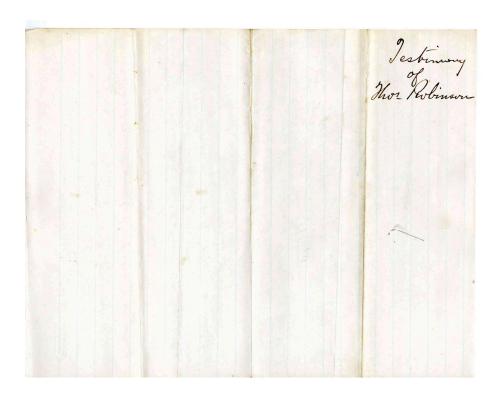
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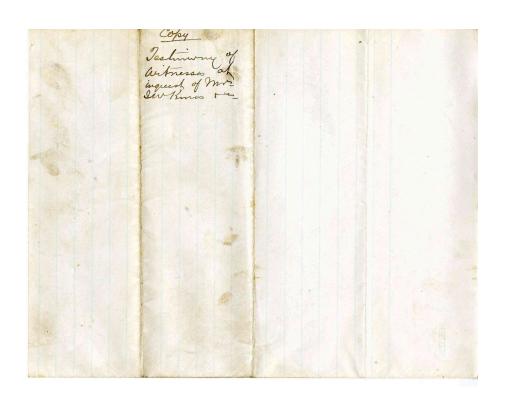
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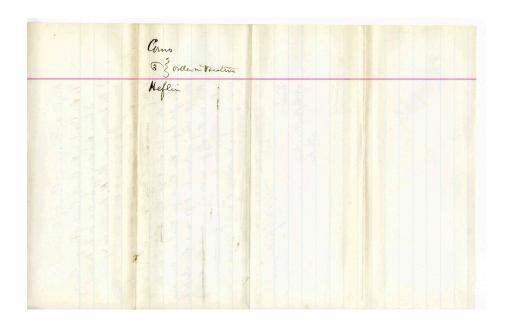
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Virginia Fauquer County to wit: To the Clerk of the County Court of Fauquier County. I have this day appointed W. F. Follin J.D. Jolley and [struck: R] H. Smith - as special messengers to proceed to Alexandria and receive from the Jailor of said County the body of Lee R. Heflin [struck: and Joseph Dye] - therein confined by my order of 28 Nov 1891 - that [struck: they] he may be brought before this Court for trial on Monday the 28" day of December 1891- and this shall be their authority for so doing - [struck: and that transportation certificate be issued for same and you are directed to enter this as an order made in vacation - Given under my hand this 26 day of December 1891. C. M. Spilman Judge-Teste A. R. Bartenstein Clerk.

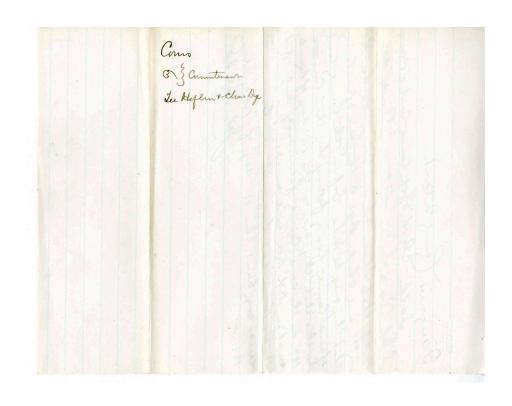


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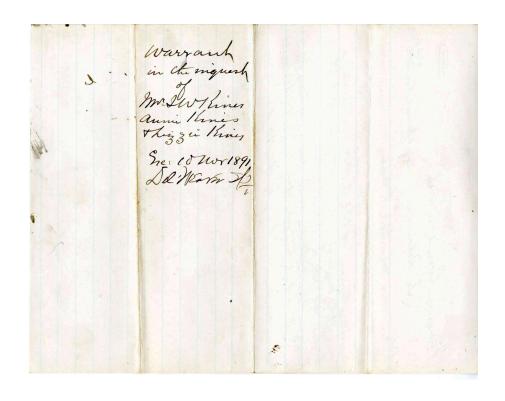


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