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The State of Texas

vs

Bluford Cox et al

Commissioner and

Deputy

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO ANY COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, OR JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF Lampasas CLERK OF Lampasas The County of Lampasas and State of Texas Greeting:

WHEREAS, There is a suit pending in the District Court of Williamson County, State of Texas, wherein The State of Texas is

Plaintiff and Blueford, Leo et al are

Defendants; And, whereas, it is represented that Thomas Howell, Mort Store

Mont Howell, William Bowen & Rufus Overstreet of said county of Lampasas and State of Texas are material witnesses for the State of Texas

in said cause, and cannot attend our said court without manifest inconvenience; and direct ~~interrogatories~~ interrogatories having been propounded to said witness and filed in said court: Now, therefore, know you that we, reposing special confidence in you, do hereby

authorize and empower you to cause the said witnesses above named at such time and place as you may appoint, and after swearing them that the "evidence they shall give in said cause shall be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth," to proceed as follows:

- 1st. State said cause as in the caption of the interrogatories.
- 2nd. Propound to said witness each direct ~~interrogatory~~ interrogatory and reduce answers to writing in proper form, and cause them to subscribe their names thereto.
- 3d. Certify under your hand and seal of office that said answers were sworn to and subscribed before you.
- 4th. Envelope said answers, together with this commission and the copy of Interrogatories; seal the envelope; write your name officially across the seal; endorse on the package the names of the parties to said suit and the name of the witness; direct said package to "The Clerk of the District Court of Williamson county, Georgetown, Texas."
- 5th. Deliver said package to the Post Master and cause him to write on the envelope thus: "Received this package from \_\_\_\_\_ the

officer before whom the written answers were taken," and to sign his name officially thereto.

These instructions you will in no wise omit, but make due return of this Commission in pursuance thereto.

ATTEST Levi Pennington Clerk of the District Court of said Williamson County, and the impress of my official seal hereunto affixed, at the office in Georgetown, on this the 7th day of June A. D. 1874

Levi Pennington  
Clerk of the District Court of Williamson County.  
Re D. Smith Deputy

The State of Texas } District Court  
vs }  
Williamson }  
Bluford Lewis et al } Texas

Interrogatories proposed by the Plaintiff in the above entitled and numbered case to Thomas Horrell, Measor Horrell, Menib Horrell, William Bowen and Rufus Overstreet all of whom are residents citizens of Lampasas County Texas

Qub 1<sup>st</sup> Were you acquainted with one Bluford Lewis if yes how long were you acquainted with him.

Qub 2<sup>nd</sup> What kin was said Bluford to Pleasant Lewis of Lampasas Texas

Qub 3<sup>rd</sup> Where was the last time you saw Bluford? Was he then dead or alive? And where was he then. What is his what county & State

Qub 4<sup>th</sup> How often have you seen said Bluford Lewis since the 28<sup>th</sup> of April 1873?

Qub 5<sup>th</sup> Do you know one Harry Lelask who in April 1873 lived in Hamilton County Texas? if yes how long have you known him.

Qub 6<sup>th</sup> Do you know of one Harry Lelask who lived in Lampasas County Texas in November

last? if you how long have you known her

Sub 7<sup>th</sup> Where was Ben Horrell between 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> of April 1878

Sub 8<sup>th</sup> Where was William Bowen between said dates

Sub 9<sup>th</sup> Did or did not Ben Horrell & William Bowen on either of said last named dates or bet these men Bluf box & Harry Leback & Co? What how you know said box was or not killed then 7 or 8 miles below Lampasas town in Lampasas county on or near dividing ridge between Mosquito creek & Sulper fork of Lampas near the residence of a Mr Day

Chas. P. Hughes  
atty for Plff

The State of Texas } Dis. Court  
1264 vs. } William Cow  
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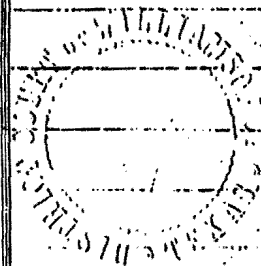
The depts in the above entitled cause their attys of record Messrs Meakins & Posey and long will take notice that five days after the service of this notice and a copy of the foregoing Interrogatory on them that application will be made

To the clerk of District Court of Williamson County  
Texas for the issuance of a commission to  
take the depositions of Thomas, Mearns and  
Members Hornell and William Rivers and  
Rufus Overstreet all of whom resides in  
Campbell County which depositions  
to said interrogatories when taken are to  
be read on the trial of said cause in  
behalf of State

J. P. Hughes

his atty. atty. for State

The State of Texas ~~clerk~~ I Levi Pennington  
Williamson County ~~clerk~~ clerk of the district  
court within and for the aforesaid County and  
State do hereby certify that the foregoing two  
pages of writing is a true copy of the original  
district interrogatories in case of The State of  
Texas vs Bluford Cox et al No 1264 now  
on file in my office - In testimony whereof  
I hereunto set my hand and  
official seal at office in  
Georgetown this the 9<sup>th</sup> day  
of June A. D. 1874



Levi Pennington clerk D. C. W. Co.  
By D. S. Smith, Deputy

The State of Texas  
No 12,64 vs  
Bluford Cox et al vs James County Texas,

Suit pending in the  
District Court of Will-  
iamson County Texas,  
Answers and depositions of Thomas Horrell  
resident citizen of Lampasas County Texas  
to the accompanying interrogatories propo-  
unded to him, in the above entitled cause  
taken before A. P. Anderson clerk of the  
District Court of Lampasas County Texas,  
in accordance with the accompanying  
commission.

Answers of Thomas Horrell

To the first Interrogatory he answers,  
I was, I have known him for twelve  
years, or perhaps longer.

To the second Interrogatory he answers,  
Bluford Cox was a son of Pleasant Cox  
of Lampasas County Texas.

To the third Interrogatory he answers,  
The last time I saw Bluford Cox, was  
between the 1st & 10th of Apr 1873, he was  
in Coryell County Texas, he was alive  
and seemed to be in good health.

To the fourth Interrogatory he answers,  
I have not seen Bluford Cox since the  
28th day of Apr 1873.

To the fifth Interrogatory he answers,  
I first got acquainted with Harry Octo-

5th A.D. 1874  
A. P. Anderson  
Clerk of the District Court of Williamson County  
Texas

Clark, in Lampasas County Tex. about the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 1873. I don't know whether he ever lived in <sup>Hamilton</sup> Lampasas County or not;

To the sixth Interrogatory he answers. I know Harry Clark, who lived in Lampasas County in November, 1873, have known him since about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1873.

To the seventh Interrogatory he answers: Ben Horrell was in Coleman County Tex. on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 1873, between the 24<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of April 1873 he was on the road between Coleman County to Lampasas County, in company with me Wm Bowen, and Merit Horrell.

To the eighth Interrogatory he answers, William Bowen was with me, and Ben Horrell, and William Merit Horrell in Coleman County Tex. on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April 1873, and between the 24<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of said month was on the road between Coleman & Lampasas County

To the ninth Interrogatory he answers. I know Ben Horrell and William Bowen did not meet Bluford Cox in Lampasas County Tex between

The 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> of April 1873, and  
kill him soon, my reasons for knowing  
is, that I was with both Benson  
and William Bowen, on the 24<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>  
26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> of said month, and was  
with W<sup>m</sup> Bowen, through the entire  
month of April 1873.

J. S. Horner

The State of Texas  
County of Lampasas J. A. P. Anderson clerk  
of the District Court of Lampasas  
County Texas do hereby certify that  
the foregoing answers of Thomas Horrell  
the witness before named, were made  
before me, and were sworn to and  
subscribed before me by said witness  
Thomas Horrell, and I further certify  
that the word "Lampasas" in the fifth  
foregoing answer was erased and the  
word "Hamilton" interlined, before sig-  
ning, and the word "William" in the  
Eighth answer, was also erased before

signing

Given under my hand  
and official seal October  
5<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1874

A. P. Anderson  
was a brother to  
Maynard Hallup  
g. grandpa Wm Anderson

A. P. Anderson  
clerk D. C.

Notary Public for the County of Lampasas, Texas