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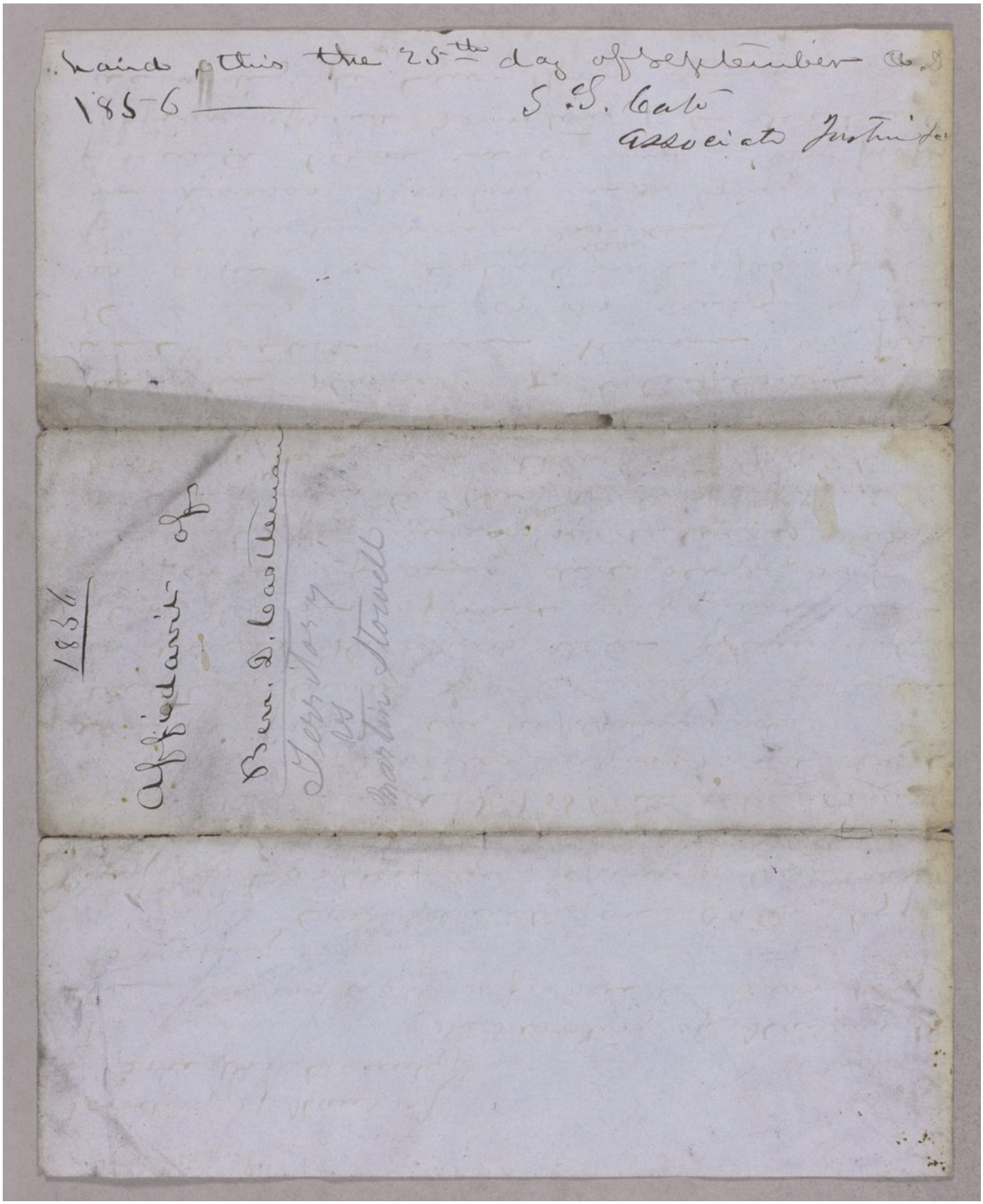
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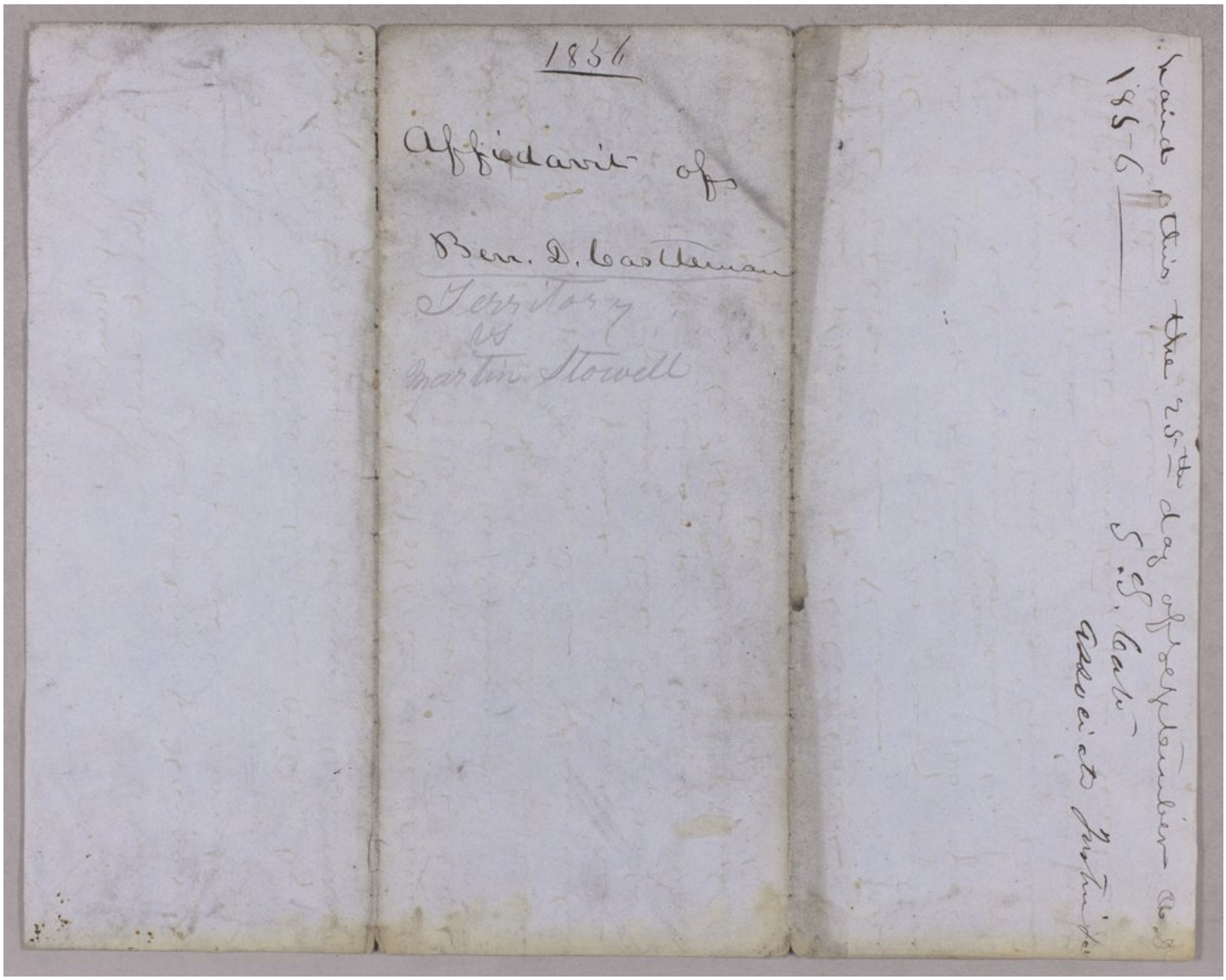
The Territory of Kansas to the Marshall of said Territory Greeting:

Complaint on oath by Benj. D. Easterman having been made to me that on the 3rd & 4th days of September A. D. 1856 in the county of Shawnee, Territory aforesaid that armed forces under command of Martin Stowell & Blanchard known as James H. Lane's men came into Store-house of said deponent and by force of arms did seize, rob and take away goods, wares, Merchandize, amounting to the value of $8,000 Dollars. You are therefore hereby commanded to arrest the said Martin Stowell & Blanchard of Jennison and the other men known as James H. Lane's men or as many of them as can be identified as of that party wherever they may be found in Kansas Territory and bring them forewith before me, or some other proper officer of said Territory to be dealt with according to Law. Given under my

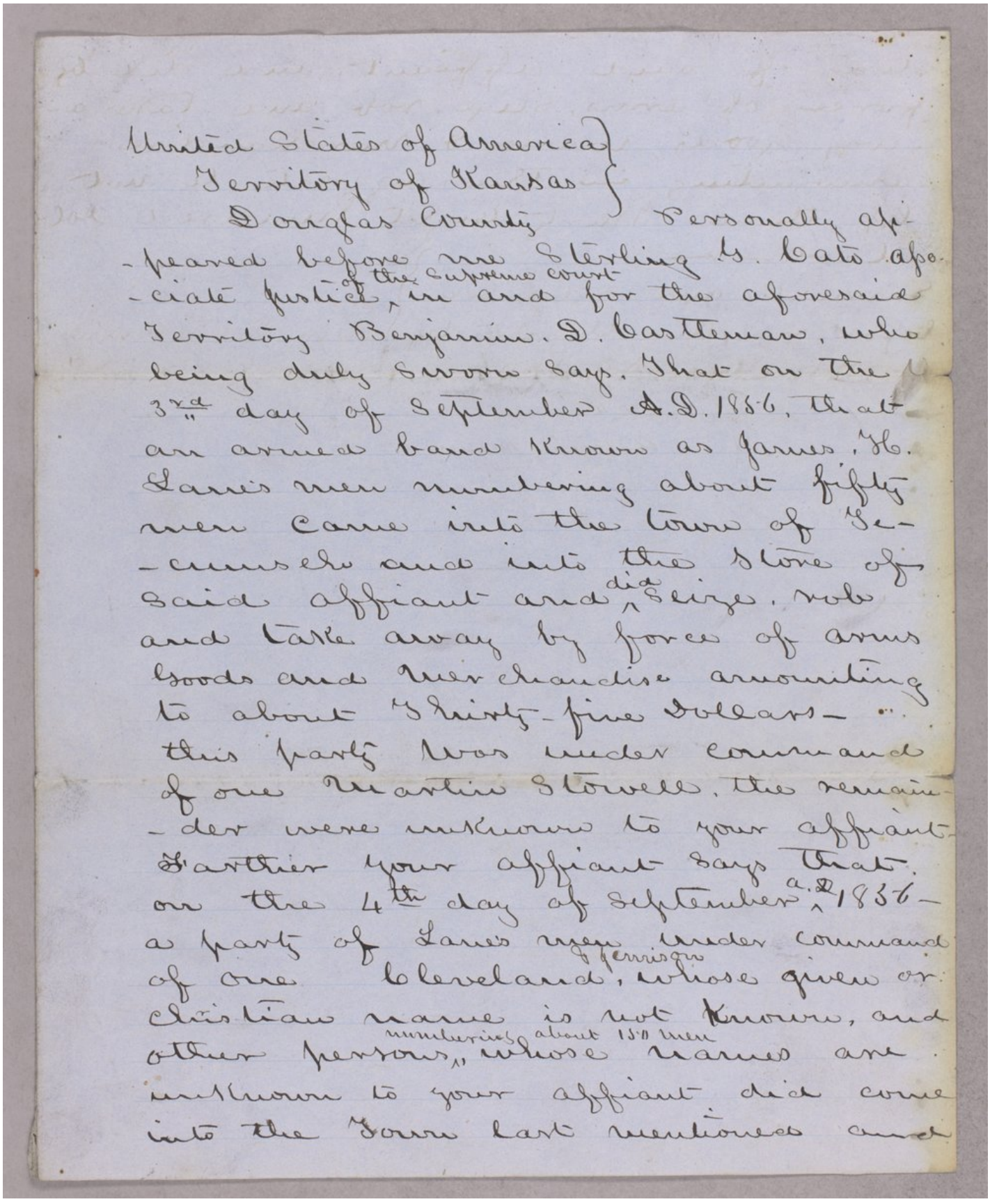
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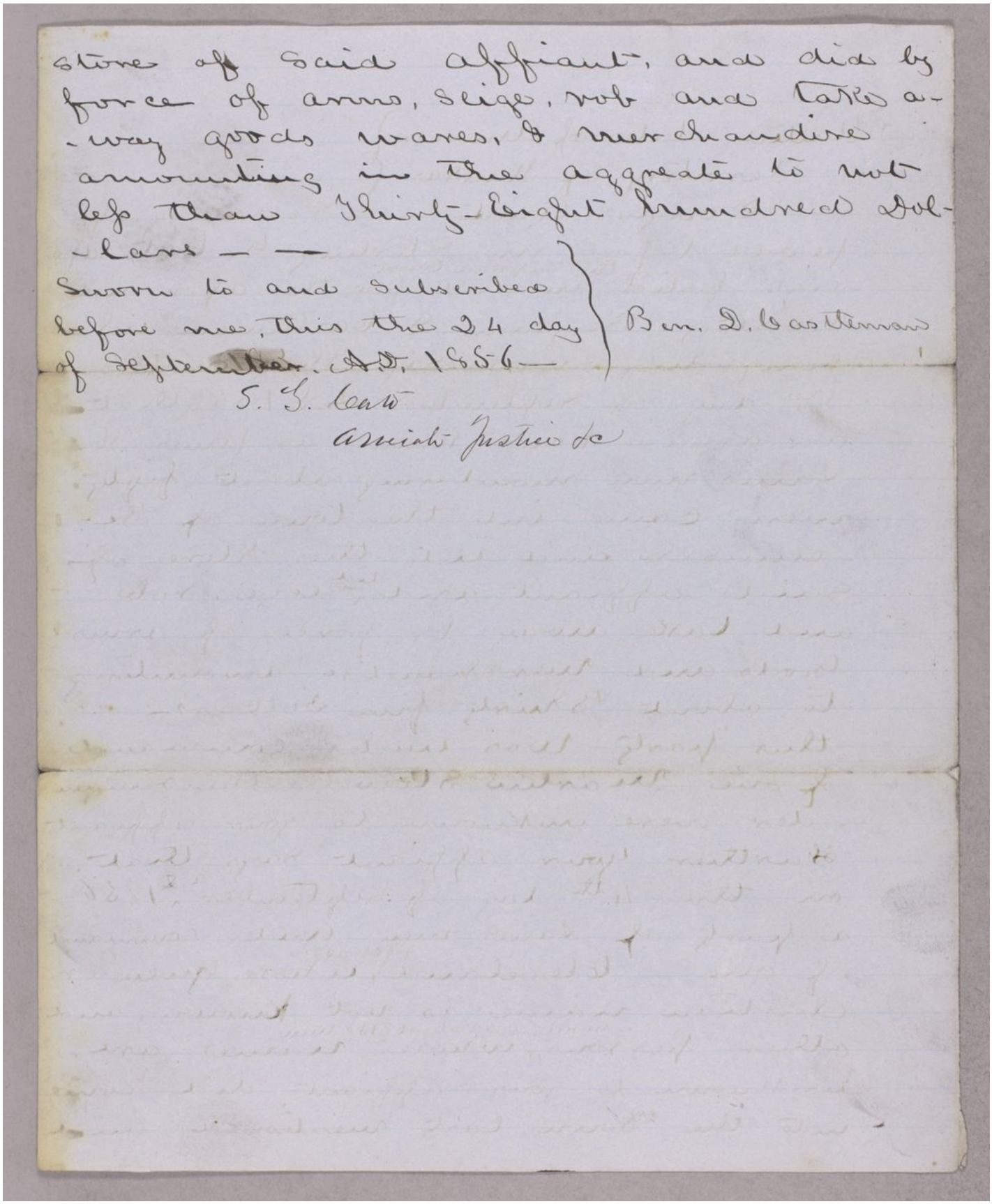


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United States of America
Territory of Kansas
Douglas County } Personally ap-
-peared before me Sterling G. Cato Asso-
-ciate Justice of the Supreme court in and for the aforesaid
Territory Benjamin. D. Easterman, who
being duly sworn says. That on the
3rd day of September A.D. 1856, that
an armed band known as James. H.
Lanes men numbering about fifty
men came into the town of Ge-
-neseo and into the Store of
said affiant and did seize, rob
and take away by force of arms
Goods and merchandise amounting
to about Thirty-five Dollars—
this party was under command
of one Martin Stowell, the remain-
-der were unknown to your affiant
Farther your affiant says that
on the 4th day of September a.D. 1856—
a party of Lanes men under command
of one Cleveland, whose given or
Christian name is not known, and
other persons numbering about 150 men whose names are
unknown to your affiant did come
into the Town last mentioned and

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store of said affiant, and did by force of arms, Siege, rob and take a-way goods wares, & merchandise amounting in the aggregate to not less than Thirty-Eight hundred Dol-lars — —

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 24 day of September. A.D. 1856 — } Benn. D. Eastman

S. J. Carr
Associate Justice &c