The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

BEAVER COUNTY, ss:

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County.

The petition of James Clayton

Humbly Sheweth, *That your petitioner is a native of* England *and was heretofore a subject of the* Queen of Great Brittain and Ireland *that he has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America five years, and within the State of Pennsylvania one year; and that he has two years prior to this application, declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States in the manner required by law, as in and by the certificate hereunto attached appears; that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and forever abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate and sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the said* Queen of Great and Ireland *of whom he was heretofore a subject. Your petitioner therefore prays that he may be admitted to become a Citizen of the United States of America.*

I, James Clayton *do swear that the facts set forth in this my petition are true and that I will support the Constitution of the United States; and that I do absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure forever, all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate or sovereignty whatever, and particularly do absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure forever, all allegiance and fidelity to the* Queen of Great Brittain & Ireland *of ~~which~~ whom I was heretofore a subject.*

Sworn and subscribed in open Court,
this 7th *day of* August *A. D.* 1876
O. A. Small *Prothonotary.*

James Clayton

I, [illegible] *do swear that the petitioner has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America, five years, and within the State of Pennsylvania one year, and that during his residence within the United States he has behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.*

Sworn and subscribed in open Court,
this 7th *day of* August *A. D.* 1876
O. A. Small *Prothonotary.*

Jno. R. Earle