

Testimony
may be rebutt-
ed.

Sec. 4. In all cases where a party to any suit, action or other proceeding shall be examined by any opposing party; the testimony given on said examination may be rebutted by adverse testimony and by proof of admissions made by the party so examined.

Not to apply
in certain cases

Sec. 5. Nothing in any of the preceding sections contained, authorizing the examination of the parties litigant, and making them competent witnesses, shall apply to any suit, action, bill or other proceeding instituted in consequence of adultery, or for the purpose of obtaining a divorce, or to any action for breach of promise of marriage.

Proceedings,
&c.

Sub-Section 1. In all cases it shall be competent for any of the parties to the proceedings to prove by legal evidence any facts showing the interest of any witness in the matter in controversy, or in the event of the suit or the conviction of such witness of any infamous crime; and, in order to prove such conviction, it shall not be necessary to produce the whole record of proceedings containing such conviction, but the certificate, under seal of the clerk of the court wherein such proceedings were had, stating the fact of the conviction, and for what crime, shall be sufficient.

Negro testi-
mony.

Sub-Sec. 2. No negro or mulatto, whether slave or free, shall be admitted as evidence in any matter depending in any court or before any Justice of the Peace, where any white person is concerned, either as plaintiff or defendant; but any negro or mulatto, whether slave or free, may be a witness for or against any negro or mulatto, slave or free, in any proceeding whatever.