

we asked him then, whether he had any papers; he said "no, not been in the country five years;" when they found he couldn't vote, the disposition was to maltreat him; I expostulated with them, and said, "gentlemen don't hurt the man, he is innocent, he has been brought here;" and they finally let him out without injury; at one or two stages of the proceedings, while I was acting as judge, I was called a "son of a bitch," and a piece of a segar was thrown in my face; when I left, and before that, I was satisfied there was no fair election, as the polls were entirely under the control and in the possession of one party, the rowdy element; I suppose it to have been the American party; they came up to the window and asked for tickets, and Judges Abbess and Cozine would hand them tickets from a shelf on the inside; these tickets were American tickets, which they wanted, and they had a black line or stripe which ran the whole way down the ticket, with Washington's head at the top.

Question. Where were the polls of the fifth ward held on that day?

Answer. On the north side of Fayette, between High and Exeter Streets.

Question. Was it a location favorable to a fair and honest election in that ward?

Answer. I don't think it was; it was at the southern extremity of the fifth ward; I should have preferred the centre of the ward, near "Rising Sun" tavern; but the other judges had fixed upon it, and part of the rent had been paid in advance to the owner before I was appointed judge, so I understood; about a dollar had been paid.

Question. Were the polls as accessible to one party as to the other while you were there?

Answer. They were not; there was a barricade up, and there were crowds of those rallying under the cry of "Rose Buds" in front of the avenue; now and then there would be a little melee off from the window, and then they would thin out a little at the window.

Question. To which party did the "Rose Buds" belong, or are they generally reputed to belong?

Answer. They are generally reputed to belong to the American party.

Question. Produce and file, if you can, a ticket similar to those which you mentioned as given by the other two judges to the "Rose Buds?"

Answer. Here is one; the witness now produces a ticket purporting to be an American ticket for the fifth ward, which is hereto attached.