

ible to members of both political parties, without discrimination; if so, please specify at which of the polls such state of things existed; if not equally open and free, please state what was the character of the obstruction, and by which party, if any, was such obstruction occasioned?

Answer. I saw at very few of the polls any positive act of violence, but there certainly was obstruction at some of them; I saw persons attempting to vote who were repulsed by shoving, pushing, and jerking; what ticket they intended to vote I do not know; those who were engaged in so pushing, generally held open American tickets; I visited the third, seventh, sixth, tenth, ninth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twelfth, fourteenth, and sixteenth ward polls, between the hours of ten A. M., and one P. M., in the order in which I have named them. I approached the seventh ward polls with the intention of voting, and was several times pushed from the window and prevented, in spite of my efforts, from accomplishing my purpose; I remained on the ground about twenty minutes after being thus repulsed, and during that period saw three persons violently struck and driven from the ground; one of these persons was named Shryock, as I learned afterwards; one was an Irishman, whom I did not know, and the third was an old and respectable man, apparently an American.

*Cross-examination.*

Question. How long have you lived in Baltimore?

Answer. About seven years.

Question. How long have you lived in the seventh ward?

Answer. A little over a year.

Question. Do you know the political bias of the people of the seventh ward?

Answer. I do not.

Question. You have stated in your testimony in chief, that you witnessed three persons being assaulted at the seventh ward polls; please to state now whether you have a personal knowledge that these three persons were legal voters of that ward?

Answer. I am unable to say, they being utter strangers to me.

Question. Was this mass-meeting in the square a very large meeting?

Answer. That I am unable to say; I stood on the outskirts of the crowd, and my attention was engaged in taking down inscriptions.

Question. Please state whether, in your visit to the third, sixth, seventh, ninth, tenth, twelfth, fourteenth, sixteenth, eighteenth and nineteenth wards, on November 2d, 1859, between the hours of ten and one o'clock, you saw armed bands of ruffians interfering with the voting at such places, respectively?

Answer. I saw men whose appearance was not of the most