

A. I said that rumor said that he had been rejected.

Q. Did he hold over?

A. He did not. I told him that rumor said he was rejected.

Q. When were you first informed of Mr. Hinsley's rejection?

A. I was informed the night before the election.

Q. By whom?

A. One of the members of the council.

Q. You took no action that night?

A. No, sir.

Q. Made no inquiry regarding another person to act?

A. No, sir.

By *Mr. Freaner*—Q. What is Hinsley's character?

A. I know nothing of him.

Q. Do you know his reputation?

A. I do not; I have heard various reports; some say he is a kind, clever man.

Q. From what you have heard, what would you say his character was—good or bad?

A. I was in the office the week previous to the election—

*Mr. Freaner*—The question is, from what you have heard from other persons about Mr. Hinsley, at any time, what is his character for peace and quiet? Was his character good or bad?

Witness—I should say it was good, for a peaceable and quiet citizen; I never yet heard of his being in a fight, with the exception of that case at the polls; the most I have heard of him has been the freedom with which he had become security for parties at the Criminal court. I know nothing of him, but by hearsay; and what I was going to remark was, that while I was in the office sometime previous to the election, and while Mr. McPhail was there, a gentleman named Mr. Falls came in, who had been a judge of election at the tenth ward. He was asked if he had not served with Mr. Hinsley as judge of election. Mr. Falls is a Democrat, and he remarked that he had served with him at two or three elections, and he never wanted to serve with a fairer or more peaceable man.

By *Mr. Freaner*—Q. From what you know personally, and from what you heard of Mr. Hinsley, do you consider him a fit and proper person to be appointed judge of election?

A. I do.

By *Mr. Wallis*—Q. I understand you to say that Mr. McPhail, for the purpose of getting information in regard to Hinsley, interrogated Mr. Falls?

A. He did, sir; but I don't know whether the information