

that the clerks were not able to keep up with two judges—the Reform tickets were coming in very thick, and Mr. Martin was again told that the clerks could not put the names down fast enough. Mr. Martin said he had a right to take them. I gave the upper side of the window to the Reform party and told my party men to take the other. After a little while, Mr. Martin said to Mr. Hinsley, “you did not put that ticket in,” (they were all Reformers,) and charged him with throwing it on the floor. I asked Mr. Gill to say whether there was any ticket on the floor—“No sir,” said he. “Hinsley put them all in.” Mr. Martin replied and said, “Hinsley did not put the ballot in,” to which Mr. Hinsley, said, “I have been abused a good deal, but I am an honest man, and I can pay my debts.” He said, “I doubt your honesty,” and Hinsley replied, “if you doubt my honesty, you are the first man that ever did so,” and with that Hinsley struck him on the mouth. Immediately after that, perhaps ten or fifteen minutes, there was a rush made at the polls, and at the upper side of the window there were several discharges of pistols. Whilst that was taking place, Mr. Martin rushed to the window, and put his hand into his breast as if with the intent of taking out a pistol. I then put my head out at the window, but by that time the whole crowd had ran up Fayette street. That was the last I saw of the Reform party at the window, Mr. Martin then said to me, “I want to go to the water closet,” I said there was one back there, (in the house.) He said, “I want to go to Barnum’s water closet,” and with that he went out, and that was the last I saw of him until some few days after. Our polls were free and open, so that everybody could come up and vote. I invited the Democratic judge of the fifth ward, (Captain Lilly,) to come in, and he did so.

Q. What time did Mr. Hinsley arrive?

A. I suppose just after we were sworn in.

*Mr. Hagner*—(reading from Mr. Martin’s printed testimony)—“Mr. Hinsley proclaimed himself chief judge, and said he should be the only one to take tickets. He then would take all the Know-Nothing tickets offered, and would pay no attention to the others, and take them from the same hand as often as offered.”

A. He made no such remark; I took the tickets when they first commenced; I saw no discrimination in the manner of taking the tickets from the different parties, until this firing took place, I don’t suppose there were ten Know-Nothing tickets taken.

*Mr. Freaner*—After the firing the Know-Nothing tickets came in very fast?