

little or no firing about the polls during the day ; and I did not see a pistol, nor knife, nor anything of the kind on the ground. I saw persons with pistols sticking in their pockets but I saw none drawn. I believe it is becoming very common in Baltimore for almost everybody to carry pistols—decent men as well as rowdies. I never carry one, I know.

Q. Were the polls kept open ?

A. They were opened at nine and closed at six within a minute. I think we closed the window one minute before six on account of the rushing outside, and there was such a noise that we could not hear ourselves talking. It was a hunching round the window, by persons that I thought had voted before, and to prevent an attempt at voting again I closed the window one minute before six.

Q. Were there any illegal votes received ?

A. None that I know.

Q. Were any legal voters prevented from voting ?

A. One man attempted to vote, and walked away because a drunken rowdy gave him a shove off. There was no other man that I saw interfered with him. I called to him to come up again, and I called for the police, but at that time the police had gone away down to the fifteenth ward where Mr. Kyle had been killed. There was no one to arrest this drunken man, but I sent a police officer after the voter to bring him up, but I believe that is the only case I know of.

By *Mr. Wallis*—Q. Could you see very easily what took place on the street ?

A. I could see anything that took place in front of the window. Sometimes I could not see very far.

Q. Could you see on both sides of the window ?

A. Not far, because there was a crowd generally standing on each side of the window. When the voting was going on I had as much as I could do to scrutinize the votes.

Q. Did you see Mr. Reader knocked down ?

A. I did not. If he was knocked down, it was not at the polls.

Q. What do you mean by "at the polls?"

A. Within ten or fifteen feet of the window.

Q. Could you not see farther than that ?

A. Not without putting my head out at the window.

Q. Did you do that ?

A. I could not attend to my business and do it, although I did do it sometimes. We took between twelve and thirteen hundred votes between nine and six o'clock, and after scrutinizing them, and asking questions of those we thought any suspicious, it was out of our power to look out often. In the ward I am in, there a great many Germans—in fact, all the