

JANUARY, 12th,

Met pursuant to notice at 10 o'clock.

Dr. Thomas W. Stone a witness produced on behalf of claimant being duly sworn, answers and says :

1st. Were you or not one of the Judges of Election at the election held in Somerset county on 7th of November last? if yea state in what district; was or not a paper purporting to be a list of qualified voters in said district laid before the said judges; if yea, when and by whom; if said paper is in your custody will you produce and file the same in evidence?

A. I was in the District No. 10, (Hungry Neck) such paper was laid before the said judges, in the morning when polls were opened by Captain William A. D. Bounds one of the judges of election; I produce and herewith file the same.

2d. State whether or not the judges of election conducted the said election in accordance with said paper or rejected it as evidence of a legal registration in said district; and how did you conduct the election?

A. We rejected it; we opened the polls to all voters who applied belonging to the district.

3d. Did the judges, of which you were one, at that election permit any voter to cast his ballot who in your judgment was not a legal and qualified voter according to the Constitution and law of this State?

A. We did not.

Cross-examination.

1st. Is the paper which you have produced and made part of your evidence in answer to the 1st interrogatory the same in all respects as the paper given to you by Captain Wm. A. D. Bounds as you have testified?

A. It is the same paper with the exception of the writings in pencil thereon.

2d. By whom was that writing in pencil made?

A. As well as I can recollect but am not positively sure. I think it was made by Mr. Edgar Jones.

3d. Was not Mr. Edgar Jones one of the judges of election?

A. He was; but I am sure it was not done until after the list was thrown aside.

4th. Did you apply for registration as a qualified voter to the officers of registration of the 10th election district?

A. I did not.