

1st. How long have you resided in Somerset county ; how long have you been a voter therein ; in what election district did you reside in 1865 ?

A. Fifty-four years ; been a voter since 1835 ; resided in 1865 in tenth election district.

2d. Did you or not apply for registration, and did you or not take the oath ; were you notified of any charge against you ; were you confronted with any witnesses ?

A. I did apply ; took the oath ; was notified of no charge ; was confronted with no witnesses.

3d. You are recorded upon the Registration book of the tenth district as refusing to answer questions ; did you or not answer every question that the officers of Registration put to you ?

A. I did ; after they got through asking the questions, I answered them all ; one of the Registration officers, Mr. Parks, turned round to the other, Mr. Vetra, and said, "He's honest, isn't he?" Mr. Vetra said, "He is ;" I then asked them if they expected me to come up there and swear to a lie ; they both observed, "No ;" "I have too good" (or too great, I am not positive which word they used,) "an opinion of you."

4th. Who was the other officer of Registration, and was he present ?

A. Mr. Wilson ; he was not present ; Mr. Parks told me Wilson was drunk that morning, and they would not allow him to sit.

(Mr. Parks' statement objected to by Contestant as hearsay.)

5th. Were you or not present when Robert T. Ritchie applied for registration to the same officers ? if yea, state whether or not he answered all the questions the said officers put to him.

A. I was present during the whole time ; Mr. Ritchie answered all the questions they put to him.

6th. Were you or not one of the judges of election on the 7th of November last ? and if yea, was the paper now shown you and filed this day by Dr. Thomas W. Stone, handed to you, and if yea, by whom and when ?

A. I was one of the judges ; the paper referred to was handed to me in town by Mr. John Wilson, one of the registers, on the Monday before the election ; he asked me if I was not one of the judges, and then asked me to take it down to Hungrey Neck, that it was the list of voters.