

went before them and asked for the charge why I was not registered. They made no answer. I then asked if there were any objections filed against me. They made no answer. I told them if there was any I would like to know it—I did not like to be disfranchised without a cause. I told them I would like them to give me a trial, and if they proved me disloyal I was willing to abide by it. Mr. Wilson, one of the Registers replied, so far as he was concerned, he knew nothing and had heard of nothing against me. So far as he was concerned, he said, he wished every man could vote. Mr. Mills said he knew of nothing. They said they didn't have their books, and couldn't do anything that day. Mr. Pusey was not there.

3d.

A. Did not vote; would have voted for J. R. Franklin.

4th. Waived.

Cross-Examination. Waived.

The above has been read to me and is correct.

JESSE DAVIS.

Attested to and written by Henry Page, Clerk.

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William J. Aikman, a witness produced on behalf of Claimant, being duly sworn, answers and says:

1st. Interrogatory:

A. I have resided in Somerset county all my life with the exception of three or four years, am thirty-three years old; Somerset has been my home for the last eight years; resided in 1865, in Salisbury district.

2d.

A. Did apply some two or three weeks after they first began sitting; took the oath; they asked me two questions, if I had ever borne arms for the government of the United States? said I had; then asked me if I had ever borne arms against the government? said no; one of the Registers asked me for my discharge; said Mr. Lemuel Malone had it,