

Benjamin R. Dashiell, a witness produced on behalf of Claimant, being duly sworn answers and says:

Q. In what district do you reside, and how long?

A. Tyaskin (No. 3,) twenty-six years, resided in 1865, in Tyaskin District.

2d. Were you present at any of the meetings of the officers of Registration of District No. 3; if yea, were you or not often present, and state if you have any knowledge whether the Registers propounded to applicants for Registration any questions touching their political association or for whom they voted? State what questions?

A. I was present often for many days. On several occasions they enquired of applicants for whom they voted in the contest between Mr. Crisfield and Mr. Henry, and also in the case of Mr. Waters and Mr. Graham

3d.

Were they or not in the habit of enquiring the effect of the draft upon different persons?

A. I heard them on one occasion enquire of individuals how the draft affected certain persons?

4th.

Did you or not, in company with others, go to the officers of Registration for the purpose of being registered? State, if yea, all that occurred.

A. I took my brother out to the place of registration, where the officers were sitting. When I arrived there, I found George W. Cordray, John Sapp, John T. Darby and son. My brother went into the room and asked for the laws in regard to the registration of voters. After examining the law, he told them he was ready to take the oath and answer all questions touching his right to registration. They then handed him a list of questions that they had been asking, and asked him if he was willing to answer these questions. He told them that he would'nt promise to answer any particular list of questions, but he was willing to answer any thing he considered touched his right to registration. The registers told him that unless he would promise to answer those on the paper before him, they would not administer the oath. Upon his being refused the oath, because he would not promise to answer this list of questions, we concluded 'twas useless to apply as we were unwilling to answer any particular list of questions, but were willing to answer all questions touching our right of registration.